



Press Release: Second Annual FLOatarama Awards Event Grants \$75,000

Fort Lauderdale, FL (October 12th 2023): FLOatarama held its second annual Check Awards event at Hunters Night Club in Wilton Manors Florida on 12th October.

This year's grants from the FLOatarama LGBTQ Youth Fund totaled \$75,000 between six local agencies aligned with FLOatarama's mission to support LGBTQ+ Youth (a 50% increase from the \$50,000 granted in 2022).

Grant awards were made to:

- The Humanity Project (\$5,000 funding school bullying prevention)
- Thinking Cap Theater (\$10,000 funding LGBTQ+ youth arts)
- Stonewall National Archives, Museum & Library (\$10,000 funding SNEP)
- National Voices for Equality, Education, and Enlightenment (NVEEE) (\$15,000 funding AFFIRM)
- South Florida Pride Youth Band (\$15,000 funding youth band and soloist scholarship), and
- SunServe (\$20,000 funding health & wellbeing services for LGBTQ+ youth).

Hosted by FayWhat?! and Rene Cantu, the evening was a fun and festive with over 300 in attendance celebrating philanthropy and the LGBTQ+ community. Presentations from Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz (FL-25), David Jobin (CEO of The Our Fund Foundation), Tony Lima (CEO of SunServe), Scott Schramm (President of Floatarama) and others filled the audience with inspiration and a message of philanthropy and inclusion. In addition to the grant awards, a silent auction was held with lively bidding and enthusiasm raising \$2,550.

About FLOatarama:

FLOatarama, Inc. is a South Florida 501(c)3 all-volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to support LGBTQ+ youth. Funds raised by FLOatarama go to the FLOatarama LGBTQ Youth Fund, managed by The Our Fund Foundation.

Our partnership with [The Our Fund Foundation](#) ensures the funds we raise achieve the greatest impact in the community. The Our Fund Foundation is the third largest LGBTQ+ foundation in the country, granting \$2M+ annually to worthy non-profit agencies advancing LGBTQ+ causes in South Florida.