

Third Annual FLoatarama Awards Event Grants \$110,000

Fort Lauderdale, FL (October 14, 2024) - FLoatarama held its third annual Check Awards event at Hunters Night Club in Wilton Manors Florida on October 10.

This year's grants from the <u>FLoatarama LGBTQ Youth Fund</u> totaled **\$110,000**, disbursed among eight South Florida agencies aligned with FLoatarama's mission to support LGBTQ+ Youth. This brings the total grants made by FLoatarama to **\$252,134**.

The 2024 grant recipients included:

- Essential Haus (\$10,000 funding LGBTQIA+ Violence Healing program)
- Out My Closet (\$10,000 funding the Changing Room project)
- PRISM (\$10,000 funding Content Creation Task Force)
- <u>The McKenzie Project</u> (\$10,000 funding Clean Start program)
- Jewish Community Services of South Florida (\$15,000 funding LGBTQIA+ Youth program)
- South Florida Pride Youth Band (\$15,000 funding youth band and soloist scholarship)
- Sunshine Pride House (\$20,000 funding a safe haven for homeless LGBTQ+ Youth)
- SunServe (\$20,000 funding health & wellbeing services for LGBTQ+ youth).

Hosted by <u>Jacob Jennings</u>, the evening was fun and festive with over 200 in attendance celebrating philanthropy and the LGBTQ+ community. The presentation filled the audience with inspiration and a message of philanthropy and inclusion. In addition to the grant awards, participants generously donated an additional \$2,280 to the FLoatarama LGBTQ Youth Fund.

About FLoatarama:

<u>FLoatarama, Inc.</u> is a South Florida 501(c)3 all-volunteer non-profit organization raising awareness and funds to support the One-in-Five Youth who identify as LGBTQ+. Funds raised by FLoatarama benefit the FLoatarama LGBTQ Youth Fund, managed by The Our Fund Foundation.

Our partnership with <u>The Our Fund Foundation</u> ensures the funds we raise achieve the greatest impact in the community. The Our Fund Foundation is the second largest LGBTQ+ community foundation in the country, granting \$2M+ annually to worthy non-profit agencies advancing LGBTQ+ causes in South Florida.