



THANK YOU

20 Years and Still Going

Black Diamond Foundation January 2022 Update

What great weather we had in December. At our December 6th Foundation meeting, we awarded a \$10,000 grant to The Path for the purchase of a used van. They were successful in finding a van (pictured below) in a tough used car market.



The van will be used in transporting residents of The Path to and from work and for hauling food and supplies. [Learn more about The Path.](#)

Casino Party Cancelled

The rapid spread of the COVID Omicron variant made bringing in 15 professional casino dealers from Miami, Tampa and Orlando too risky as we try to minimize COVID in our "Black Diamond bubble". Thus, we have cancelled the casino fundraiser originally scheduled for Feb. 4th. We are very thankful that Title Sponsor [Sunshine State Golf Carts](#), Gold Sponsor

Ledgewood Roofing and Construction and Silver Sponsor **Blackshears**

II Aluminum have all donated their sponsorship fees to Black Diamond

Foundation despite the casino party cancellation.

Foundation Board Changes

After many years of service, Kent Rinker, Susan Savard (treasurer 2013 thru 2021), and Judge Mark Yerman have stepped down from the Foundation Board. The three members brought compassion, community knowledge and a solid business acumen to the Board allowing the Foundation to collect and distribute \$2 million dollars over the past decade. Judge Yerman recruited his replacement as Judge Bruce Carney was welcomed to the Board at our January meeting. Judge Carney will provide great insight into the issues and needs of Citrus County. Any individuals interested in serving on the Board should contact **Roger Obenauf**.

Happy New Year

The Black Diamond Foundation Board of Directors

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