



# Social Services Advisory Board

## Meeting Minutes

### 1/2/2024

#### Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:08pm on 1/2/2024 at the Sunrise Senior Center.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### Roll Call

Sharon Baron - Present  
Abdul Basit- Present  
Olivia Coleman- Present  
Patricia Louis-Mills- Present

Harvey Soufrine- Present  
Gisel Suarez- Absent Excused

**Approval of Minutes** Minutes from meeting were approved.

#### Open Discussion

No open discussion.

**Presentation by:** Blanca Ceballos - Community Relations Manager with United HomeCare. United HomeCare is a non-profit home health and community care organization. This non-profit has served South Florida since 1973! At United HomeCare their main focus is to help you or someone you love remain living at home independently for as long as possible. United HomeCare is ranked as the largest home health agency in South Florida. They staff more than 800 employees and volunteers who provide care to over 3,000 clients across Miami-Dade and Broward County. Over the years, they have earned a reputation for pioneering advances in home care programs, disease management, and caregiver support programs. All of their programs are designed to promote wellness and independence through an interdisciplinary approach. Clients benefit from the knowledge and experience of a wide range of health professionals who specialize in care for the elderly and disabled such as home health aides, nurses, therapists, social workers, personal care assistants, and others. They have case managers who work together with each client's physician to assess specific needs and create a customized client care plan.

#### New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of **December 2023**:

Fee waivers: 10

Medical Transportation: 3

Food Pantry Holiday Baskets: 100 families

Total Contacts: 211

Holiday Party - 26 families. 81 children and a total of 107 people attended.

EAF: 0

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:55pm. Next meeting will take place on February 6, 2024 at 4:00pm.

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