



# Social Services Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

**3/5/2024**

## **Call to Order**

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:01pm on 3/5/2024 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- Present

Amanda Walch - Present

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

## **Open Discussion**

No open discussion.

**Presentation by:** Feeding South Florida's mission is to end hunger in South Florida by providing immediate access to nutritious food, leading hunger and poverty advocacy efforts and transforming lives through innovative programming and education. A hunger-free South Florida in which families have transitioned from dependency to self-sufficiency. Their partner agencies are food pantries, soup kitchens, group homes, shelters, child care centers, and more. Last year, in addition to their direct-service programs, these agencies helped provide food to over 1.1 million individuals. More than 70 billion pounds of good, safe food goes to waste each year in the United States alone. The loss occurs at every stage of the food system from farmers to packers and shippers, to manufacturers and retailers. That's where Feeding South Florida comes in.

## **New Business**

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of **February 2024:**

Fee waivers: 15

Medical Transportation: 6

Food Pantry: 8 families

Total Client Contacts: 101

EAF: 1

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:58pm. Next meeting will take place on April 2, 2024 at 4:00pm.

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