

# Social Services Advisory Board

## Meeting Minutes

### 4/2/2024



#### Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:03pm on 4/2/2024 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- Present  
Amanda Walch – Absent excused

#### Approval of Minutes

Minutes from meeting were approved.

#### Open Discussion

No open discussion.

#### Presentation by:

Rita Killinger who is the Director of Development Community Engagement for Rebuilding Together Broward County. Rebuilding Together is a local non-profit that was actually started from the simple act of neighbors helping neighbors. Rebuilding Together works to make a sustainable impact in our community by addressing quality of life issues by providing critical home repairs and improvements at no cost to the homeowner. Rebuilding Together activities have a direct impact on the retention of low-income home ownership and improvement of affordable housing stock, the health, safety and independence of vulnerable populations, and community and neighborhood revitalization. Community revitalization is much more than beautification, it is a collective effort to identify and strengthen the assets already present in the area. The removal of slum and blight is just one component to building a healthy neighborhood. A community revitalization partnership is a coordinated approach between Rebuilding Together and residents, volunteers, municipalities, nonprofits, businesses, foundations, and other partner organizations to build and sustain a safe, healthy, and thriving community.

#### New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of March:

Fee waivers:

Medical Transportation:

Food Pantry:

Total Contacts:

EAF:

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:49pm. Next meeting will take place on May 7, 2024 at 4:00pm.

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