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LIGHTHOUSE CENTRAL FLORIDA AWARDED THREE MAJOR GRANTS TOTALING \$130,000

Funding Will Expand Children's Programming and Enhance Technology

ORLANDO, Fla. (February 1, 2023) – <u>Lighthouse Central Florida</u>, an Orlando-based nonprofit that provides vision rehabilitation services to individuals living with blindness and/or other visual impairments, received three major grants – totaling \$130,000 – at the end of 2022 to support general operations, update technological infrastructure and fund its children's and adult programs.

The grants were awarded by three separate groups including the Bainum Family Foundation, John R. and Ruth W. Gurtler Foundation and the Universal Orlando Foundation. Funding will allow Lighthouse to continue providing vital programming for children and adults, as well as enhance and upgrade IT resources.

"This money is vital for the continued success of our clients," said Kyle Johnson, President and CEO of Lighthouse Central Florida. "I'm confident it will translate into more developmental, academic, and social milestones for local kids and adults while also providing the necessary tools to help our employees work more efficiently."

To learn more about the programs and services offered by Lighthouse Central Florida, including how to support them, visit www.LighthouseCFL.org.

About Lighthouse Central Florida

Since 1976, Lighthouse Central Florida has empowered the lives of thousands of children and adults living with vision loss and blindness, to lead productive, independent lives, while pursuing their dreams and goals without limitations. The organization is the only nationally accredited non-profit offering a comprehensive range of vision-specific rehabilitation services in Central Florida. With a blend of rehabilitation training, real-world application, and certified instructors, Lighthouse Central Florida ensures people of all ages can access life-changing vision rehabilitation services and live successful, independent lives beyond vision loss. For more information, visit www.LighthouseCFL.org.

About Lighthouse Works

Lighthouse Works is a social enterprise non-profit providing quality solutions to businesses and government agencies. Since 2011, Lighthouse Works is the reliable and trusted partner for the type of jobs that have to be done



right every time – allowing businesses the ability to scale resources while managing costs and meeting deadlines. Lighthouse Works solutions ensure consistency and continuity of materials and services, and the quality of work and high customer satisfaction rate is due to its high-performing, dedicated employees, many of whom are visually impaired and blind. Lighthouse Works impacts the community through its social responsibility efforts and helps many blind and visually impaired individuals throughout Central Florida enhance personal independence and maintain self-sustainable lives. To learn more about Lighthouse Works and its business solutions, visit LighthouseWorks.org.

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