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LIGHTHOUSE CENTRAL FLORIDA AWARDED \$30,000 GRANT FROM THE ORLANDO MAGIC YOUTH FUND

Funding Will Support Infants, Children and Teens Through the Organization's Youth Services Program

ORLANDO, Fla. (April 27, 2023) – <u>Lighthouse Central Florida</u>, an Orlando-based nonprofit that provides vision rehabilitation services to individuals living with blindness or other visual impairments, received a \$30,000 grant from the Orlando Magic Youth Fund.

The grant will support one-on-one and group vision rehabilitation services focusing on early learning, as well as college and career readiness for up to 150 infants, children and teens who are visually impaired or blind through the organization's Youth Services Program.

"Without the support of donations and grants like these, we wouldn't be able to provide life-changing services for the blind and visually impaired community in Central Florida," said Kyle Johnson, president and CEO of Lighthouse Central Florida. "Thanks to this grant from the Orlando Magic Youth Fund, we will be able to continue providing the necessary training for infants, children and teens who are visually impaired or blind to help them achieve the same developmental and learning milestones as their sighted peers at no cost."

The Orlando Magic Youth Foundation distributed \$1,000,000 to 24 different organizations in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties.

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.