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**MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED
BETTER CHANCE MUSIC PRODUCTION PROGRAM™
RECEIVES MOCKINGBIRD FOUNDATION GRANT**

MIAMI—February 2013—The Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired Better Chance Music Production Program™ has been awarded a grant by The Mockingbird Foundation, an all-volunteer nonprofit organization founded by Phish fans, supporting music education for children. Ten grantees were selected from among 1,303 initial applicants from throughout the United States.

In the award notification, Ellis Godard, Executive Director of the Mockingbird Foundation wrote: “We continue to be amazed by the vast need for music education funding, and impressed by the dedication of people such as you who work diligently to help fill those needs. We have been particularly impressed with your efforts, and with the request for funding which Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc. submitted. Ultimately, we were able to fund less than 1% of those inquiries, making this one of the most competitive funding application processes—of its kind, or any other. We are warmed by your intentions, and excited to contribute.”

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MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT:

*To provide vision rehabilitation
and eye health services
that promote independence,
to educate professionals,
and to conduct research in related fields.*

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