Miami Lighthouse inaugurates third floor, expands facilities for blind children’s music and fitness programs

Northern Trust Bank recently hosted the Miami Lighthouse Grand Opening of a new facility to train future music industry professionals, dramatically increasing the potential for positive change in the lives of the blind and visually impaired. A ribbon cutting ceremony and reception in the courtyard celebrated the inauguration of the Gloria Martin Third Floor Wing at Miami Lighthouse for the Blind. The new space will house the Blind Babies Program, Music and Fitness Programs, and Summer Camp for blind kids. This expansion was made possible through the pro bono work of Akelane Construction, contributions from the Centennial Project of the Rotary Club of Miami and philanthropist Gloria Martin, the Rev. Merta Weeks, Arthur Hertz, Oak Foundation and others.

The Music & Sound Studio, named in honor of music industry legend Henry Stone, features recording and computer equipment that enables blind students to study music performance, composition, production and distribution, leading to mainstream employment as performers, songwriters and sound engineers, and to other music careers.

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