



MEDIA ADVISORY: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Miami Lighthouse Celebrates 85th Anniversary With Launch Of Lighthouse Learning Center For Children™

Miami, FL. -- Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired previewed its 85th Diamond Anniversary Celebration on Tuesday evening, March 8th, with a special “thank you” to the family foundations, charitable trusts and major donors who have made it possible to reach \$10 million in capital funding for the launch of the non-profit organization’s innovative Lighthouse Learning Center for Children™.

The Lighthouse Learning Center for Children™ will be located on the grounds of the existing Miami Lighthouse complex and will include classrooms for a pre-kindergarten for three- and four-year-old visually impaired children. The pre-kindergarten will be piloted in existing instructional space in fall 2016 in collaboration with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Early Learning Coalition. Construction of the Lighthouse Learning Center for Children™ is scheduled to begin this spring, with the official opening projected for fall semester of 2017. Upon completion, the new space will house pre-kindergarten classrooms and other learning laboratories for children from birth through age four.

Tuesday evening’s event, hosted by Northern Trust, was highlighted by the screening of a new video ([click here to view](#)) that traces the remarkable trajectory of the 85-year-old award winning organization from its modest beginnings to its role today as a national Center of Excellence in vision rehabilitation.

#

Cameron Ehren Sisser

Director of External Relations

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc.

Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program, LLC

601 SW 8th Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Phone: 786-362-7515

Cell: 305-582-0445

It's Possible to See Without Sight™