



**COMMUNITY LEADER DONNA R. BLAUSTEIN, ESQ.  
NAMED THE MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE 2009 “WOMAN OF VISION”**

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MIAMI—May 29, 2009—Community leader Donna R. Blaustein, Esq. has been named Miami Lighthouse for the Blind’s Woman of Vision for 2009, in honor of her years of dedication and support of Miami Lighthouse. The award will be presented at our annual Women of Vision Luncheon taking place at Miami Lighthouse on June 16<sup>th</sup> at noon.

The Miami Lighthouse’s Woman of Vision award was established in 2007 to honor notable female philanthropists in our community. Past Woman of Vision honorees include Philanthropist Gloria Martin in 2007 and Philanthropist Jean Ellen du Pont Shehan in 2008. Awardees are presented a special one-of-a-kind signature pin designed by Rene Ruiz.

“It is only fitting that we recognize Donna, a former Chair of Miami Lighthouse Board of Directors, whose more than two decades of support and dedication has enabled the Miami Lighthouse to become one of our nation’s most prominent private agencies serving the blind and visually impaired. Each month the Miami Lighthouse transforms the lives of more than 1,200 individuals ranging from mothers of blind babies to seniors learning to live with significant vision loss. Donna sets a notable example with her philanthropy,

volunteerism and community leadership. We are thrilled to honor her as our 2009 Woman of Vision,” CEO Jacko said.

The luncheon will feature a performance by talented participants in the Miami Lighthouse summer music production program.

This year’s luncheon is hosted by seven community leaders: Carmen Betancourt-Lewis, Carmen Bishopric, Shelley Beckwith-Rutherford, Nancy Jean Davis, Pamela Garrison, Norma Quintero and Terri Shikany.

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**Women of Vision Luncheon Location:  
Miami Lighthouse for the Blind  
601, SW 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Miami, Florida 33130**

Miami Lighthouse for the Blind is Florida’s largest and oldest agency serving the blind and visually impaired. In addition to providing free vision care services to thousands of low-income children each year, Miami Lighthouse helps transform the lives of nearly 1,200 client participants each month in our many programs for babies, school children, adults, seniors and their families who learn to live safe and independent lives while coping with vision loss.

**OUR MISSION:**

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