## Hundreds Strut Their Stuff For 8th Annual Miami Lighthouse Dog Walk

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CBS4 anchors Irika Sargent and Rhiannon Ally, along with Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman, hosted the event.

The event, held at the Shops at Midtown Miami at 3401 N. Miami Avenue, kicked-off with a breakfast at 9 a.m. That was followed up with the walk that included dog guides, other service animals and regular pet companions, on a walk to pledge support for Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

"In addition to raising much-needed fund for our vision rehabilitation programs, our eighth annual Walk, Waggle and Stroll Dog Walk will be a wonderful awareness-raiser for the presence of service animals of all kinds in our community," said Miami Lighthouse CEO Virginia A. Jacko, who is blind and uses a dog guide, Kieran.

This year participants were treated to a St. Patrick's Day themed walk.

Besides the "Dog-Owner Look-alike" and "Most Talented Dog" contest, this year they had an extra prize for the "Best St. Patrick's Day Dog Costume."

This year's grand prize winner – for most participant pledges collected – received a signed Britto 'Azul' Dog sculpture.