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Marjorie Benson of Friendly Floors Receives Pandemic Hero Award

PUNTA GORDA, FL. (03/09/2021) – Charlotte Behavioral Health Care (CBHC) presented a Pandemic Hero award to Marjorie Benson of Friendly Floors.

Many local non-profits are in dire need of funds because 2020 and 2021 fundraising events have been cancelled in effort to keep our community safe during the pandemic. CBHC is no different.

Marjorie Benson of Friendly Floors, who also serves on the Board at CBHC as well as on the Board of their fundraising arm, the Fred Lang Foundation, saw the need and jumped in to help.

"Recent events have caused tremendous stress to many individuals," said Benson. "It's not surprising to find mental health and substance abuse problems on the rise. Suicide is on the rise."

For the last quarter of 2020, Friendly Floors held a "Do Not Attend" fundraiser and donated a portion of every sale to the Fred Lang Foundation. They also matched donations made by clients and community members, up to a total of \$10,000. Friendly Floors raised nearly \$30,000 in much needed funds for CBHC.

In operation for over 50 years, CBHC is our area's largest not-for-profit provider of community-based behavioral health care, offering a full range of mental health services and substance abuse treatment. Last year, they served over 13,000 individuals and families. Their mission is to partner with patients to instill hope, inspire growth, and embrace life; they deliver care that changes people's lives. For more information, visit www.CBHCfl.org.

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In photo L-R: CBHC CEO Victoria Scanlon and Marjorie Benson

