



# MIAMIBEACH

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Celebrating & Investing in Miami Beach Community Services** *-- Community Development Block Grants Strengthen People & Community --*

WHAT: Community Development City Tour  
Visit some of the Miami Beach beneficiaries of the funding

WHEN: **Tuesday, May 3, 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
9:30 a.m. Miami Beach City Hall, 1700 Convention Center Drive  
9:45 a.m. Sixth Street Community Center, 836 6 Street  
11:30 a.m. Villa Matti Apartments, 221 28 Street  
11:30 a.m. Villa Maria Apartments, 2800 Collins Avenue  
12:00 p.m. North Shore Senior Center, 7251 Collins Avenue  
1:00 p.m. Miami Beach Golf Club, 2103 Alton Road

**Miami Beach, FL** -- For 37 years, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program in Miami Beach has provided broad-based community services to meet the physical, economic and social needs of the community. Services and programs funded through Community Development Block Grant funds have been many -- from hot meals for the elderly to neighborhood street improvements and from childcare services to vocational tuition waivers.

Over \$8.6 million in CDBG entitlements received during the past five years (\$1.8 million this year). Over those years, the Miami Beach Housing and Community Development Division assisted many activities and programs for the overall enhancement of targeted areas and neighborhoods.

Current CDBG-funded Miami Beach projects include senior center improvements, youth center programming, child care, AIDS patients programs, senior services, code enforcement, housing counseling, fair housing programs and multi-family rehabilitation.

Current non-profit agencies receiving Miami Beach CDBG funding:

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB's mission is to inspire and enable young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH (HACMB) provides those in need with quality affordable housing in economically mixed settings while promoting resident self-sufficiency and fostering strong neighborhoods.

JEWISH COMMUNITY SERVICES OF SOUTH FLORIDA (JCS), since 1920, has remained true to its original mission of providing exemplary social services through compassionate and comprehensive programs that help people stay healthy and productive.

LITTLE HAVANA ACTIVITIES AND NUTRITION CENTERS OF DADE COUNTY, INC.'s (LHANC) mission is to identify the need and procure the funding necessary to provide low-income, frail, isolated elderly persons and refugees with quality social, nutrition, and health services allowing them to continue to live at home, albeit with some assistance and avoid early, costlier institutionalization.

MIAMI BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (MBCDC) works to enhance the quality of community life and achieve neighborhood revitalization through a comprehensive housing and community development program that pursues and balances historic preservation and urban design, economic vitality and increasing job opportunity, and support for a diverse, eclectic and successful neighborhood social fabric.

UNIDAD is a community-based organization that serves as a social service, advocacy, leadership development, and cultural affairs organization on behalf of residents of Miami Beach in service of the welfare of the entire city, with a special emphasis on the Hispanic population.

Sponsors of the tour and lunch: Great Florida Bank, Northern Trust, David L. Wrubel, CPS, PA, Gray Line Miami, and Gibraltar Private Bank & Trust.

For more information about CDBG and the funded programs, contact the Office of Real Estate, Housing and Community Development at 305.673.7260.

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