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## Tax Collector Mike Fasano's Five Offices Collected \$10,000 for CARES During the Month of May

**Tax Collector Mike Fasano's** five offices featured **CARES (Community Aging & Retirement Services)** as the charitable organization for the month of May. \$10,000 was collected through this promotional effort. All funds raised will benefit the **CARES** "We Help" campaign.

**CARES** provides services to vulnerable seniors who need meals, home health care, home maintenance and help with pet care. Without the assistance provided by **CARES** many seniors would be unnecessarily placed in nursing homes or possibly even perish alone.

"Your kindness will help families in Pasco County who need in-home health services, adult day care and assistance for family members who need a break from the stressful demands of caregiving," states **Jemith Rosa, CARES President & CEO**. "Your generosity will help frail elderly people in Pasco County, who are facing illness, hunger, and isolation. Additionally, the family members and caregivers need help as well. Our goal is to provide help to those in need of inhome health services, adult day care and a break from the stressful demands of caregiving."

"Year after year our very generous community has stepped up and provided support for **CARES** and the seniors they serve," comments **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**. "The important programs that **CARES** provides for our seniors is an integral part in the lives of so many in our community.

Thank you to the very generous residents of Pasco County for assisting in the funding of the many programs **CARES** operates to help seniors and caregivers."

A check for \$10,000 was presented to **CARES** at its annual celebrity waiter event held June 2, 2022 (see photo attached). Local physician **Dr. Rao Musunuru** pledged to match dollar-fordollar the funds raised during this campaign.

For more information about **CARES** and the various services available to seniors and their loved ones please contact **Jemith Rosa** at 727-863-6868 or visit the website <u>www.CARESFL.org</u>. For more information about this promotion and the charitable giving programs at the tax collector's office please contact **Assistant Tax Collector Greg Giordano** at 727-847-8179 or visit <u>www.pascotaxes.com</u>

[PHOTO – Tax Collector Mike Fasano presents \$10,000 to CARES President and CEO Jemith Rosa and Director of Fundraising Arlene Brock]

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