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Pasco Tax Collector's Five Offices Collected Over \$4,000 for the Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired & Blind

Pasco County **Tax Collector Mike Fasano's** five offices collected donations totaling over \$4,000 in August for the *Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired & Blind*. The mission of the *Lighthouse* is to educate, empower and employ people who are visually impaired and blind. Since services are provided at no cost to program participants, all donations that were received will help provide more services to more people in need.

"We are so grateful for the support of the *Pasco Tax Collector* during these uncertain times," commented **Jonathan Fister, CEO** of the *Lighthouse.* "Thank you for serving the *Lighthouse* and for being a champion in the community."

"The need for vision services is something we tend to think about only if we have a personal connection to the issue," remarks **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**. "That is what makes our Charity-of-the-Month program so wonderful. We are able to help individuals who often are not thought of in the day-to-day bustle of life, especially during a time when COVID consumes so much of our waking moments. It was an honor to help raise funds for this important and very deserving charity."

The Charity-of-the-Month program is a year-round effort to bring as much attention to as many charities, both big and small, who serve those in need or are less fortunate. For more information about the charitable giving program at the *Pasco County Tax Collector's Office* please contact **Assistant Tax Collector Greg Giordano** at 727-847-8179 or visit <u>www.pascotaxes.com</u> For more information about services provided at the *Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired & Blind* please call **Patricia Porter, Director of Grants, Donations & Media** at 813-713-2492.



[PHOTO ATTACHED - management and frontline staff from the Land O' Lakes' branch of the *Pasco County Tax Collector's Office* – from left to right – Janet Oroz, Carlton Francis, Katrina Koscielniak, Sharlo Ward, Samantha Bisconti, Tammy Dziedzic and Jonathan Fister, CEO of the *Lighthouse*]