



**Heart of Florida United Way** 

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## **Heart of Florida United Way Announces New Board Members & Chair**

**ORLANDO, Fla. (Sept. 9, 2024)** – Heart of Florida United Way's Board of Directors have elected three new distinguished leaders to its Board of Directors: **Jarrod Dillon**, President, Business Operations, Orlando City SC, Orlando Pride, and Inter&Co Stadium; **Susie Dyer**, Community Volunteer; and **Naveed Shujaat**, president, Bank of America Central Florida. Each will serve a three-year term along with the additional 33 Board Members, bringing the total to 36.

**Jarrod Dillon** serves as President of Business Operations and is responsible for the overall strategic business operations of Orlando City, Orlando Pride & Inter&Co Stadium. He works alongside Soccer Operations to bring best-in-class experiences to fans and the Orlando community.

**Susie Dyer** is a deeply rooted community volunteer who is passionate about many issues, not the least of which are those affecting children and struggling families. She has previously worked as a teacher in elementary and middle schools in the Texas Public School System, as well as a registered lobbyist with Texas Strategy Group.

**Naveed Shujaat** serves as the president of Bank of America Central Florida, where he connects clients, teammates and communities. He is responsible for fostering a client experience that is distinctive in scale, scope and customization. In addition, he leads a team of Bank of America Private Bank advisors in the Greater Orlando, Tampa Bay and Space Coast markets.

Additionally, the organization is pleased to announce the election of the following Officers for the 2024-2025 board term:

- Chair: Hope Newsome, Esq., Meris Law, PLLC
- Vice-Chair: Naveed Shujaat, Bank of America
- Secretary: Jim Toscano, Esq., Lowndes
- Treasurer: Stephanie Gardner, RSM US, LLP

"These accomplished individuals bring a wealth of experience and expertise to the organization, and their contributions will be instrumental as Heart of Florida United Way continues its mission to create a brighter future for Central Florida," said Jeff Hayward, President & CEO, Heart of Florida United Way.

For a <u>full listing of the HFUW Board of Directors</u> or more information about the organization, please visit www.HFUW.org

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## About Heart of Florida United Way

Heart of Florida United Way (HFUW) stands up for the education, financial stability, health and basic needs of every person in Central Florida. For 85 years, HFUW has delivered programs, invested dollars, and convened community members around important issues impacting Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties. As Central Florida's most comprehensive health and human services nonprofit, HFUW created a \$50 million impact in Central Florida last year. In 2022-23, HFUW served more than 755,000 people through its direct service and funded programs — that is one in every three Central Floridians. HFUW is home to notable community resources like the 211 Information & Referral Crisis Line; 988 Suicide Prevention Lifeline; Mission United program for Veterans; TECHquity www.HFUW.org for more information, or call (407) 835-0900. Follow us on Facebook and LinkedIn at Heart of Florida United Way and on Twitter and Instagram @hfuw.