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"Forty Carrots Expansion Reaches Milestone for New Mental Health and Parenting Education Campus."

Additional Building to Accommodate Community Need

Forty Carrots Family Center's Generations of Change Expansion Campaign reaches another milestone as its new building for expanded Mental Health and Parenting Education services takes shape as the roof goes on. Architects the Schimberg Group and builder Tandem Construction are thrilled to be ahead of schedule with plumbing and electricity completed and windows installed. The campaign has reached another milestone as it reaches \$8.75 million of the \$10 million dollar goal for the building and program expansion. Since 2020, Forty Carrots has increased child and family mental health services by over 70%, and the expansion will allow for a 100% increase in Mental Health and 30% in Parenting Education services over the next several years.

"With construction progressing, we are reminded of the transformative change that will occur within this new space. Children and families in our community deserve the highest quality parenting education, mental health services, and early education. As we push to complete the campaign, we are reminded that an early investment in our youth and families yields dividends for years to come" said Michelle Kapreilian, Forty Carrots CEO.

The Generations of Change expansion includes a new 6900 sq ft building on 1.72 acres at 1350 Cattlemen Rd. It offers a Child and Family Therapy Center with 6 therapy rooms, intake office, waiting

area and Parenting Education Center equipped with flexible capacity with moveable wall and observation capabilities, virtual program rooms, administrative offices, and program staff workspaces. The addition of the Cattlemen property allows the existing buildings on S. Tuttle Avenue to expand early education and house administrative offices.

To learn more about the Generations of Change Expansion Campaign or how to donate, visit www.fortycarrots.org .

ABOUT FORTY CARROTS: Since 1993, Forty Carrots Family Center has served over 50,000 families in Sarasota and Manatee counties, ensuring good beginnings that last a lifetime for children through its expertise in Parenting Education, Mental Health Services, and Early Childhood Education. Rated 4-Stars by Charity Navigator, Forty Carrots serves families from all walks of life, with 92 percent of families receiving services free of charge. www.FortyCarrots.org or call (941) 365-7716