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**Forty Carrots Family Center announces Jean Lolli's retirement after 30 years of service.**

(Sarasota – January 15, 2024) – Jean Lolli has played a central role in the growth and success of Forty Carrots Family Center for over 30 years as one of the organization's original staff members. After a long and meaningful career with Forty Carrots, Jean is set to retire from her position as Business & Facilities Manager as of January 31, 2024.

Jean said "throughout my 30 years as an original staff member, knowing and connecting with Preschool and Parenting families and their children has provided my greatest joy. The parents gave me a connection to the Sarasota community and the children warmed my heart and soul every single day. I thank Betsy Kane-Hartnett and Diane Weiss for creating Forty Carrots and for having the confidence to bring me along this wonderful life's journey."

Jean has contributed to each chapter of our organization's history since day one. She has touched the lives of countless families and staff. "While staff and families will undoubtedly miss seeing her each day at the front desk, I am excited for her and the next important chapter of her life. Forty Carrots owes her a debt of gratitude for all her hard work and dedication" says Michelle Kapreilian, Forty Carrots CEO.

There will be an open house celebrating Jean's accomplishments and wishing her well in retirement on February 6, 2024 from 4pm – 6pm at the Kane Campus at 1500 S. Tuttle Ave. All are welcome to drop in.

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Since 1993, **Forty Carrots Family Center** has served families in Sarasota & 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 94 percent of families receiving services free of charge. Visit [www.fortycarrots.org](http://www.fortycarrots.org) for more information.