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**Forty Carrots Celebrates 20 Years of Wine Women & Shoes Event**

(Sarasota, FL) – Forty Carrots Family Center marks its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their signature fundraising event Wine Women & Shoes. Forty Carrots promises to toast the occasion with all the sparkle and razzle Sarasota’s most fashionable ladies expect in addition to some big, special surprises.

“The incredible community support, which netted one million dollars last year, directly funds mental health, parenting education, and early learning services for thousands of children and families who do not have the ability to pay. This fundraising event is crucial to our operating budget every year,” said Michelle Kapreilian, Forty Carrots CEO.

Wine Women & Shoes will take place on November 13th, featuring MARLOW Med Aesthetics as first-time presenting sponsor. The event will feature fabulous wines, a luxury shopping experience, a dynamic fashion show, and a high-energy auction. Guests will be entertained by volunteer Solemen and bid on exclusive online auction items.

“Sarasota is where we work, where we live, and where we play. And we are deeply invested in seeing children and families flourish. The work of Forty Carrots - spanning education, early learning and mental health services - touches lives in ways that matter long after Wine Women & Shoes. Supporting that work is the best investment we can make together,” said Kimberly Marlow, owner of MARLOW Med Aesthetics.

Chaired by four outstanding women, the Wine Women & Shoes collective: Lauren Dixon, Allison Imre, Renee Phinney, and Lauren Wohlwend, each brings her own passion to ensure that the best day ever raises essential funds for families in need.

This is truly an event not to be missed; sponsorship opportunities and tables are on sale now! For more information or to reserve your table now, please contact Geri Jo Manson at [events@fortycarrots.com](mailto:events@fortycarrots.com).

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## **About Forty Carrots Family Center**

*Since 1993, Forty Carrots Family Center has nurtured healthy child and family development through research-based, relationship centered, education and mental health services. Ensuring good beginnings that last a lifetime for children and families in Sarasota, Manatee, DeSoto Counties through 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 96 percent of families receiving services free of charge. Visit <https://fortycarrots.org/> for more information.*