

# FALA chapter holds award luncheon

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ST. LUCIE — Florida Assisted Living Association Treasure Coast Chapter held a heart-touching lunch award ceremony Jan. 21 to recognize its local fellow health care organizations who went above and beyond supporting local assisted living facilities during the most challenging time facing the COVID-19 pandemic.

Angella Williams, human resources vice president, and Jackie Kendrick, CEO from Treasure Coast Hospice; Nestor Plana, founder, chairman and CEO of Independent Living Systems; Matt Harper, Manager Provider Relations; Marianne Hall, regional account executive from Florida Community Care; Najam Syed, owner and president from DME of America; and Allison Walters, marketing director from Butterfields were recognized for their service and support to the local ALF communities by Roshini Lakram, FALA Treasure Coast chair, along with her chair leaders, Marcia Styles, marketing chair; Lorna Campbell, treasurer; Bob Antes, marketing chair; Annmarie Coleman, public relations chair; and Miriam Farquharson.



Standing, from left, are Bob Anthes, Najam Syed, Terry Fessler, Allison Walters, Marianne Hall, Jackie Kendrick and Miriam Farquharson. Pictured seated are Annmarie Coleman, Chan Gobin, Angella Williams, Roshini Lakram and Lorna Campbell. PHOTOS BY MARYANN KETCHAM

Services, such as thousands of produce boxes given out to ALFs, lunches provided to ALF residents and staff and

hard-to-find personal protective equipment provided to ALFs, were among some of the great deeds mentioned at the ceremony.

Special thanks went to Jim Scarafia, manager at Stuart Boat House, who provided the upstairs area exclusively, with open windows and enough seating for social distancing to promote a safe environment for all participants.

FALA has provided advocacy, education and regulatory support for its members for over 25 years. It is the largest



From left: Jackie Kendrick and Angella Williams of Treasure Coast Hospice.



Pictured are From left: Marianne Hall and Roshini Lakram.

state association representing more than 650 assisted living facilities and adult family care homes and nearly 300 associate members who provide products and services to assisted living.



From left: Allison Walters and Roshini Lakram.

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