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BUSINESS BUZZ: All Faiths Food Bank reorganizes staff to serve more hungry neighbors

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Food bank restructures staff

As local families face the compounding pressures of rising living costs, government policy decisions and economic uncertainty, **All Faiths Food Bank** has announced a series of strategic staffing updates to enhance its operations, amplify its impact and help more people across Sarasota and DeSoto counties. The organization has realigned its team structure and responsibilities to foster greater collaboration, efficiency and innovation across departments. By evolving its internal operations, All Faiths Food Bank aims to deepen its understanding of community needs and strengthen the systems that support long-term food security. These changes are intended to ensure the organization is aligned with current market demands and the ongoing threat of reduced government funding, and represent the next phase in the implementation of the food bank's five-year plan to end hunger by addressing its root causes. As part of this effort, numerous team members in operations, programs, nutrition education and the DeSoto Food and Resource Center have received updated titles that more accurately reflect added responsibilities.

Other staff titles have also been adjusted to better align with day-to-day functions. "Every day, we see how complex and far-reaching food insecurity is in our region," said Nelle S. Miller, president and CEO of All Faiths Food Bank. "These changes reflect our continued commitment to listen to our neighbors, remain nimble in the face of challenge, and provide not just food but pathways to stability, health and hope."

Sarasota chamber wins award

The **Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce** has been named one of 12 Communications Award of Excellence winners by the **Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives**.

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ACCE is an association based in Alexandria, Virginia, that has over 1,600 chambers of commerce and related business and economic development organizations as members, representing more than 9,000 professionals in the industry.

ACCE's Awards for Communications Excellence (ACE) program is designed to showcase top communications and marketing work of chambers of commerce and similar organizations.

The 12 winners will compete for the Best in Show title within their total annual revenue range category. The three winning entries will be revealed at ACCE's annual convention in Philadelphia during the July 23 awards show presented by **Comcast Business**.

The Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce was named an Award of Excellence winner for an entry that showcased a strategic, multichannel communications campaign elevating the 2024 Small Business Awards through compelling storytelling, targeted outreach and record-breaking engagement across platforms.