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Newly Updated 2023 Collier County Community Assessment Now Available!

NAPLES, Florida—The *2022-2023 Collier County Community Assessment* (CCCA) is now available! This report has been updated from the inaugural 2017-2018 report and highlights strengths and needs, progress over time, and remaining gaps.

In November 2022, The Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation, Collier Community Foundation and a cross-sector advisory committee began the process of updating the 2017-2018 report. As in 2018, the research partner is Q-Q Research Consultants, Inc., who devised the input process (community survey and focus groups), conducted the research and produced the report.

Having the most current information will support residents, organizations, and civic leaders in continuing local efforts to improve quality of life in the Collier County community. The 2018 report was utilized in a variety of ways—from funders using the findings to guide their grant-making, to organizations identifying opportunities to further align with their mission and make a deeper impact.

All residents are encouraged to learn more about our Collier County community by reading the report to better understand the challenges, strengths and opportunities. There will be four (4) presentations to the public as follows:

- Monday, November 13, 2023; 9:00 -10:30 am
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- Tuesday, January 16, 2024; 9:00 10:30 am
- Wednesday, January 17, 2024; 4:30 6:00 pm
 - **Sessions will be held at 999 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples, FL 34108. 4th Floor Conference Center. No registration is required.

To view the newly released 2022-2023 Collier County Community Assessment (both in Executive Summary and Full Report) or the 2018 report, visit www.SchulzeFamilyFoundation.org/CCCA

About the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation

The Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation was created in 2004 by Best Buy founder, Dick Schulze, to give back to the communities where Dick and his family grew up — in Minnesota, where he built Best Buy to become the world's largest consumer electronics retailer, and in Florida, where he now maintains a permanent residence. The Schulze Family Foundation creates grant partnerships with organizations that generate meaningful results

in human and social services, education, and health and medicine. In all its activities, the Foundation embraces its founder's vision to strengthen and support initiatives that lead to change within our communities. For more information, please visit www.SchulzeFamilyFoundation.org.

About the Collier Community Foundation

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