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The Pasco Tax Collector's Office Raised \$6,000 for the Gulf Coast JFCS's "Heart Gallery" which was the September Charity-of-the-Month

Tax Collector Mike Fasano announces that the five **Pasco County Tax Collector's Offices** collected a total of \$6,000 to support the **Gulf Coast JFCS's "Heart Gallery."** The mission of the **Heart Gallery** is to support children in the foster care system to find their forever families during every step of the process.

“On behalf of the Heart Gallery of Pinellas and Pasco, I want to extend our deepest thanks for selecting us as your Charity of the Month for September,” comments **Rosemarie Richardson, Program Director** for the **Heart Gallery**. “We are truly honored by the community support and generosity. The funds raised through this initiative will have a meaningful impact on the lives of children in foster care; helping us create more opportunities to share their stories, connect them with loving families, and provide the resources they need to thrive. Your partnership not only raises critical funds, but also awareness throughout the community about the importance of adoption and permanency. Thank you for believing in our mission and for being a champion for children who deserve a forever home. We are grateful for your continued commitment to making a difference.”

“Children in foster care are already facing untold challenges as they deal with many unique challenges that most other children do not,” comments **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**. “**Rosemarie Richardson, Hana Cowart**, and many volunteers work hard to help the children in their program. They demonstrate such love and respect for the kids in foster care that it was an honor to feature this fine organization as our September charity. Thank you to a very generous public who donated freely to help the **Heart Gallery** and the foster children they serve.”

For more information about the charitable giving programs at the **Pasco County Tax Collector’s Office** please contact **Assistant Tax Collector Greg Giordano** at (727) 847-8179 or visit www.pascotaxes.com. For more information about “**The Heart**

[PHOTO ATTACHED – Tax Collector Mike Fasano, Rosemarie Richardson and Hana Cowart are joined by several members of the tax collector’s staff for presentation of the \$6,000 check]

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