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## **ROONEY'S GOLF FOUNDATION DISTRIBUTES OVER \$31,000 TO NINE LOCAL CHARITIES FROM SPRING EVENTS**

West Palm Beach, FL – Rooney's Golf Foundation recently distributed \$31,661.45 to nine local charities as a result of their spring fund-raising events. Local Rooney Family businesses, Palm Beach Kennel Club and Rooney's Beer Company coordinated the 5K Run/Walk and golf tournament with a committee of volunteers.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Rooney's 5k Run/Walk was held on Saturday, March 30 at Palm Beach Kennel Club. This year's run raised \$15,435.70 for Autism Project of Palm Beach County, Forever Greyhounds, Police Athletic League, Potentia Academy, and Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA, with the help of sponsorships and 570 participants. Next year's 12th Annual RGF 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2019 at Palm Beach Kennel Club.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Rooney's Spring Golf Tournament was held on Thursday, May 3 at Abacoa Golf Club. The event raised \$16,225.75 to benefit four local charities including Autism Project of Palm Beach County, FAU Honors College, Greyhound Pet Adoption and Wounded Veterans Relief Fund. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual RGF Spring Tournament will take place on Thursday, May 2, 2018 at Abacoa Golf Club.

"We are very excited with this year's numbers for both the Rooney's 5k and Spring Golf Tournament. Our goal every year is to raise money and awareness for amazing local charities all the while making sure our participants, charities and volunteers are having fun. We would like to send a big Thank you to all of the participants, sponsors and volunteers who make these events happen" said Alexis Barbish-Sommer, Executive Director of Rooney's Golf Foundation.

Rooney's Golf Foundation has donated \$830,827.49 to local Palm Beach County charities since 2001. These funds are raised through the golf tournaments, 5K Run/Walk, poker tournament and luncheon events. The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual RGF fall tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 29, 2018 at Trump National Jupiter and the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Overcomer" Luncheon will be held Thursday, November 15, 2018 at the National Croquet Center.

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