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*Lighthouse Central Florida Honored with Hope  
Award*

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Lighthouse Central Florida, a nonprofit that provides vision rehabilitation services to Central Floridians living with vision impairment or blindness, was named one of the recipients of UCF's inaugural Hope Award. Presented by the UCF Nonprofit Management Advisory Board, the Hope Award was presented to three Orlando-area nonprofit organizations for exceptional demonstration of resiliency and creativity in the face of adversity during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"At the beginning of the pandemic, we knew it was critical that our clients (of all ages), who are vision impaired or blind, continue receiving vision rehabilitation services to ensure they stayed on pace," said Kyle Johnson, president and CEO of Lighthouse Central Florida. "Our team immediately pivoted by redesigning how we deliver services to accommodate a variety of digital platforms, resulting in continued success for everyone we serve. We are honored to be among the first recipients of the inaugural Hope Award."

The inaugural awards were presented virtually by the UCF School of Public Administration's director, Doug Goodman, during the 20th Annual UCF Nonprofit Partners Conference. Other recipients include iDignity and The Sunshine Foundation.