



### **MEDIA ADVISORY: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Invites Miami Lighthouse Students to Experience Special Fire Safety Demonstration**

**Miami, Fla. - On Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>** students in Miami Lighthouse's Pre-Employment Transition Services Program will be visiting Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Station 2 for a tour of the firehouse. They will have the opportunity to explore the building, the equipment, interview the fire rescue team about their careers, and experience fire extinguisher training.

"Reinforcing pre-fire preparations, for instance, planning and practicing an escape plan in the event of an actual emergency, installing smoke alarms, and involving the Fire Department to help plan an escape route are very important safety lessons and even more so for our visually impaired population" said Virginia Jacko, President and CEO of Miami Lighthouse for the Blind.

Twenty-five Miami Lighthouse teenage students will experience the fire safety demonstration that will be not only be educational, but it will also reinforce Miami Lighthouse's teachings—"it's possible to see without sight™". Miami Lighthouse offers pre-employment transition services providing individuals 14-22 the opportunity to develop skills to enter the workforce or post-secondary education. The program teaches students home and personal management, assistive technology, job readiness, orientation and mobility, social skills, and community integration. This visit will also teach students about the different careers within the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue.

**Media is invited to observe the Miami Lighthouse students experience Miami-Dade Fire Rescue's Fire Safety Demonstration.**

**WHEN:** Wednesday, July 2nd at 10:30 AM EST

**WHERE:** Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Station 2, 6460 NW 27th Ave., Miami, FL 33147