



## **Miami Lighthouse Academy Celebrates Annual Beeping Easter Egg Hunt with Support from PBA and Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad**

*Beeping eggs empower children with visual impairments to enjoy a joyful, independent Easter tradition*

**MIAMI, FL — March 19, 2026** — Students at the Miami Lighthouse Academy celebrated a cherished tradition today during the organization's annual Beeping Easter Egg Hunt, held on the Owen S. Freed Playground. The event offered excitement, independence, and holiday fun to children with visual impairments through an accessible, sensory-rich experience.

Sponsored by the South Florida Police Benevolent Association (PBA), the hunt featured colorful beeping eggs assembled by the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad, then hidden around the playground by the Easter Bunny. The specially designed eggs emit sound, enabling children who are blind or visually impaired to locate them. Officers also brought a robot, giving students a hands-on opportunity to explore law-enforcement technology.

"Our beeping Easter egg hunt perfectly illustrates how thoughtful adaptations make holiday traditions fully accessible for our students," said Virginia Jacko, President and CEO of Miami Lighthouse. "The beeping sounds enable our children to locate the eggs by carefully listening, promoting independence, confidence, and joy."

Students with cortical visual impairment (CVI) also participated using shiny reflective eggs that provide a strong visual target. Teachers and staff supported students as they explored at their own pace.

"Our partnership with the South Florida PBA and the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad makes this joyful, inclusive experience possible every year," added Jacko. "We are deeply grateful for their continued commitment to ensuring that children with visual impairments can fully participate in the magic of Easter."

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