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Special Ceremony Celebrating Shade Structure Donation at River Park Aquatic Center

Thursday, February 9, 2023, from 3:00pm-5:00pm

Naples, FL (February 7, 2023) – The River Park Aquatic Center was selected in 2022 by the Florida Academy of Dermatology (FAD) to receive a shade structure through the American Academy of Dermatology’s (AAD) Adopt-a-Shade Program. As a long-time resident of Naples and former president of the FAD, Dr. Cyndi Yag-Howard, selected the River Park Community as the location for the donation. The shade structure was placed inside of the pool area and will provide a sun safe area for residents while using the aquatic center.



The total grant amount allocated for this project was \$10,000. The joint grant by the AAD and the FAD provided the funds for the project. The AAD funds are made possible thanks to Neutrogena. The AAD's Shade Structure Grant Program awards grants to public schools, parks, and non-profit organizations for installing permanent shade structures for outdoor locations that are not protected from the sun, such as playgrounds, pools, or recreation spaces. Since its launch in 1999, the AAD's Shade Structure Program has awarded over 488 shade structure grants, which provide shade for over 3.6 million individuals each day.

Please join us at the River Park Aquatic Center ADOPT-A-SHADE Dedication Ceremony on Thursday, February 9, 2023 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm. Light refreshments after ribbon ceremony.

About the Florida Academy of Dermatology (FAD): The Florida Academy of Dermatology, formerly known as the Florida Society of Dermatology & Dermatologic Surgery, is the largest and oldest dermatology society in Florida. The mission of the Florida Academy of Dermatology is to serve as an advocate for Florida dermatologists and their patients to promote excellence in dermatologic care, ensure the highest standards for dermatologic practice and medical education, and to enhance the quality and availability of dermatologic health care to all Floridians.



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