

### What are the Emerald Awards?

The Emerald Awards honors women in Palm Beach County who exemplify leadership and serve as role models for young women in our community. Four awards will be given to women who embody the characteristics of today's G.I.R.L. – **G**o Getter, **I**nnovator, **R**isk Taker, and **L**eader. An Emerald Award Honoree is recognized as a woman who brings new ideas to life, demonstrates creative problem solving, and brings innovation to her field of expertise or community. She has positive values, a strong sense of self, seeks challenges, learns from setbacks, and is not afraid to shatter the 'glass ceiling.' She recognizes the potential for leadership in every girl, inspires those around her to take action, and drives change in her community.

In addition, a Lifetime Achievement Award for Philanthropy and a Young Philanthropist Award will be given to two women who demonstrate outstanding civic and charitable support. The Lifetime Achievement Award will highlight a woman whose generosity is evident through the considerable personal time and financial support she dedicates to programs and organizations that contribute to the well-being of our community. She embodies the spirit of giving in all aspects of her personal and professional life and strives to leave a legacy of philanthropy for future generations.

The Young Philanthropist Award recognizes the service of a woman under 40 who has made a difference in our community through financial support, development of charitable programs, volunteering, and leadership in philanthropy. She makes a significant impact by investing her time and resources towards the future of our community.

### Who can be nominated? (Please see page two for additional details)

- ❖ Nominee must have lived and/or worked in Palm Beach County for at least 3 years.
- ❖ Nominee must have made a major contribution, or a significant difference in her community.
- ❖ Nominee cannot be a current board member of Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida.
- ❖ Prior experience as a Girl Scout or working with Girl Scouts **is not required**.

### How does the nomination process work?

- ❖ Nominations must be approved by nominee prior to submission.
- ❖ Self-nominations will not be accepted.
- ❖ Incomplete nominations will not be reviewed or returned.
- ❖ An anonymous panel will review the nominations and choose the award recipients. The decision of the selection panel is final.
- ❖ The submission deadline is **November 1, 2018**.

### When will recipients of the Emerald Awards be notified and honored?

The recipients will be notified in December of 2018 and will be honored at the Emerald Awards on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at The Beach Club in Palm Beach. The honorees will be given a complimentary ticket to the event and must be available to attend.

- ❖ Selected nominees will be asked to provide a 100-word bio and a professional headshot by Thursday, January 17, 2019.