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RE: Comments SunTrust and BB&T Merger

Dear Distinguished FDIC Board Members:

Please accept these comments of support on behalf of SunTrust Bank substantiating their company and employees' dedication to community service.

For full disclosure, SunTrust Bank is currently the banking vendor for Gulfstream Goodwill Industries. This business partnership was the result of a vigorous eighteen month request for proposal process among various competitors. SunTrust Bank, through that process was ultimately selected over their competition.

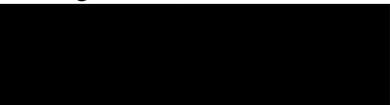
SunTrust Bank is a valued company in Palm Beach County. The executive leadership team and employees are a deeply embedded within the community's human, health and social services work and is frequently sought out as a company gets involved, cares and volunteers for nonprofits throughout the county. In the case of Gulfstream Goodwill, one of SunTrust Bank's executive team members has been a volunteer board member for many years, completing one full term, rolling off the board due to term limits, and then becoming a board member for a second term. I personally know other executive team members and employees from SunTrust Bank who are also vitally important to other community nonprofit boards they serve on as well.

In the case of Gulfstream Goodwill, SunTrust Bank has been significantly engaged in working with the homeless and persons with disabilities over the years. Specifically, the SunTrust Foundation supports our Financial Education Program, which provides training modules for staff and program participants. This program has been very successful in helping the less fortunate get back on their feet financially as well as ensuring they are able to manage their finances on a long term basis as they gain employment. These supported modules are provided to both adults and youth! Important to note is the required follow-up on outcomes and accountability from SunTrust by way of staff visits and goal reporting.

SunTrust Bank is the epitome of a corporate partner for any community. Through their community engagement, servant leadership and dedication to enhancing citizen's quality of life, they are indeed one of the stand-out companies for corporate leadership.

Thank you for your consideration. I will be happy to personally speak with someone if you desire. My contact number is (561) 848-7200, ext. 3250. Email address: [bedwards@gulfstreamgoodwill.org](mailto:bedwards@gulfstreamgoodwill.org).

With gratitude,



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