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Hatzalah of South Florida
13300 Memorial Highway
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Dear Hatzalah of South Florida:

The Champlain Towers South collapse catastrophe has impacted many families, the entire Town of Surfside, surrounding communities and Miami-Dade County, in unimaginable ways. The employees were called upon to serve their community in an unthinkable situation and redefined to protect and serve.

On behalf of our community and the Surfside Police Department, I want to express a heartfelt thank you to Hatzalah of South Florida for their extraordinary support to the Town of Surfside. From June 24, 2021 to June 28, 2021, a dedicated team of volunteer EMTs, paramedics, nurses and doctors were on-site at the building collapse and family reunification locations providing around-the-clock emergency medical support to countless individuals affected by this catastrophe. A delicious fruit arrangement from Edible Arrangements was also generously donated for the workforce who worked tirelessly throughout the grueling undertaking of the Champlain Towers South building collapse crisis. As our hearts go out to the families deeply affected by this unforeseen tragedy, we continue to proudly serve our community every day and remain #SurfsideStrong.

We are truly grateful for the outpouring of support from your exceptional organization and kindhearted individuals such as yourselves. The courageous volunteers selflessly thought about the individuals whose lives forever changed June 24, 2021 and the first responders who worked day and night during this devastating incident with compassion and bravery. Acts of kindness were graciously exhibited by your colleagues and strengthened everyone's spirits and united us all.

Sincerely,

Julio Yero
Chief of Police



Mission Statement

"To provide the highest level of police service to the community we serve in a professional, courteous, ethical and judicious manner."