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GOOD DEEDS

The **Florida Literacy Coalition, Inc.** – with the generous support of the **Florida Blue Foundation** – recently awarded a grant of \$5,000 to **Safe Children Coalition** for its Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters program.

The grant will help area families with young children to learn to make informed decisions about their health and health care by promoting health literacy about nutrition, preventative health care and healthy lifestyle choices.

The goal is to help parents become equipped with knowledge about available community resources to assist them in finding appropriate family health care, while further enhancing their English language and literacy skills.

Making An Impact Inc. received a grant from the **Unrestricted Fund of Manatee Community Foundation.**

The grant will help MAI further its mission to reduce disparities and address unmet needs for disadvantaged people in our community.

In line with its mission, MAI created the Community Connections Resource Guide to provide Sarasota/Manatee residents with information on more than 200 organizations offering essential services ranging from addiction treatment to education and immigration, mental health, utility assistance and veterans' services.

The pocket-sized guides are used by



Yulma Ruiz, a HIPPY program participant, reads to her son, Milan Rosales. PROVIDED PHOTO

the American Red Cross, Sarasota Police Department and Sheriff's Office, Longboat Key Fire, EMS and police, Tidewell Hospice, the Multicultural Health Institute, Turning Points, Boys & Girls Clubs of Manatee County and many other organizations.

The comprehensive guide can be accessed online or ordered at

<http://making-an-impact.org>.

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