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HBIF honored as Bank of America's Neighborhood Builder

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The Hispanic Business Initiative Fund of Florida will be honored this week as the latest recipient of Bank of America's Neighborhood Builder award, which includes a \$200,000 grant and leadership training for two HBIF employees.

The Orlando-based non-profit provides free bilingual assistance to Hispanic entrepreneurs trying to establish or expand businesses in Florida. HBIF will receive the award Thursday during a breakfast at the National Entrepreneur Center in Orlando Fashion Square Mall.

Earlier this year, the Bank of America Charitable Foundation announced other local grant winners, including the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida (\$50,000) iDignity Orlando (\$18,000) and the Osceola County Council on Aging (\$10,000).

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