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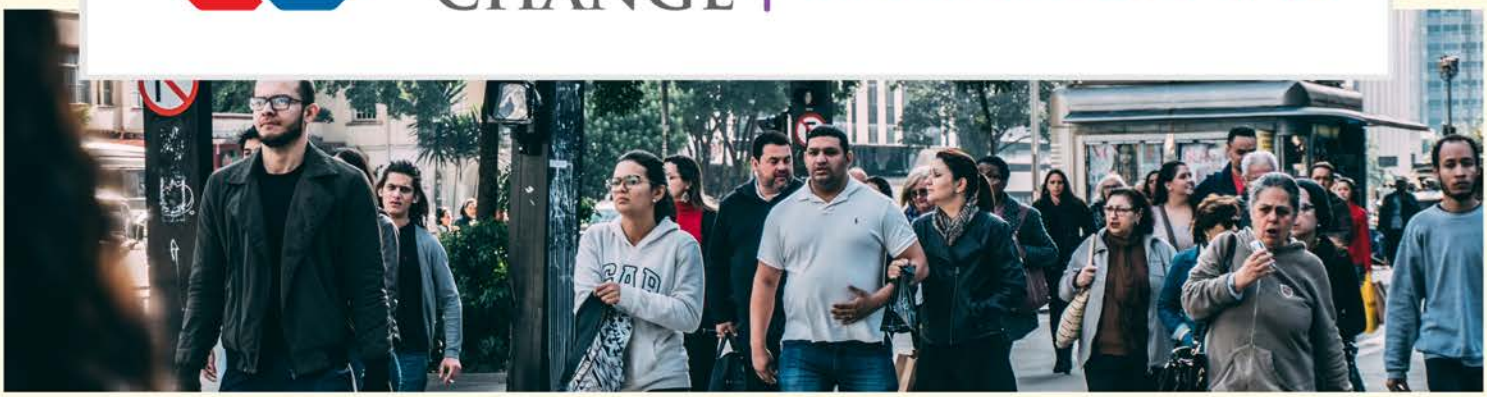

Trends in Nonprofit Sector

Data-Driven Decision Making: Nonprofits are increasingly leveraging data analytics to drive strategy, measure impact, and optimize operations.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI): DEI initiatives are becoming a core component of nonprofit strategies. Organizations are working to ensure their programs, staff, and leadership reflect and support diverse communities.

Hybrid Work Models: The shift to remote and hybrid work environments is affecting how nonprofits operate, with a focus on flexibility and new ways of collaborating and engaging with teams & stakeholders.

Sustainable Funding Models: Nonprofits are exploring new funding models, such as social enterprise ventures and impact investing, to diversify income streams and reduce dependency on traditional grants & donations.

Local Animal Shelters & Ways to Help

There are so many great ways to get involved with local animal shelters and the best part is that you get to spend time with furry friends. Here are some ideas to get you started:

Humane Society of Greater Miami - besides options to volunteer, they also offer a foster care program that provides the necessary care for those animals who are better served outside of the shelter.

Miami Dade Animal Services - is a great resource for everything to know about county-wide animal support.

Animal Lovers Rescue & **Miami Animal Rescue** - are another wonderful local organizations that you can reach out to for options to volunteer or foster an animal.

FOLLOW OUR JOURNEY

Practical Progress

by Maya Arden, EsoTerra

ASK HOW THE SAUSAGE IS MADE

"What if the deep, systemic change we seek can't happen until we're brave enough to see the whole dang picture? Many of us fear the truth, scared we'll be indicted - by ourselves or others - for our complicity and complacency. So, we stay in the comfort of denial for longer than we should.

Could you look directly at Amazon-driven consumerism, see how it perpetuates the exploitation of animals (humans included) and all of nature, and not fall into guilt and shame that force us back into denial?

Could we hold the paradox that we are both consumers and therefore active participants in perpetuating injustice, and also that other oppressive practices in capitalism make it extremely difficult for us to choose otherwise? Could we see past reductionist, either/or thinking, and hold all the complexity that comes with this current mammoth, global system we live in?

It's not your fault. You didn't cause this and you can't change everything. But you can become fearlessly aware and see what shifts. Eyes wide open. Not pointing fingers, but seeing the tangled web our species has woven.

Ask how the sausage is made - it might not taste as good afterward, but that's not necessarily a bad thing.

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Women's Emergency Network

COMMUNITY highlight

Founded in 1989, the Women's Emergency Network (WEN) has been dedicated to providing financial support to vulnerable Floridians needing access to reproductive health care services, including abortion and contraception.

WEN is committed to helping all Floridians access the abortion care services they need and deserve independent of income or circumstances.

WEN provides financial support to Floridians needing to access abortion care, whether that be in Florida or in another state. They also provide assistance with travel and lodging for folks that have to travel to another state for care. Lastly, they subsidize access to contraception, specifically IUDs and implants since those are the most expensive and therefore more difficult to access.

In the last couple of years as abortion access has been further restricted in Florida, whether it be through a gestational limit or a 24-hour waiting period, WEN has expanded its support to all Floridians, added assistance for long-term acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs), as well as travel & lodging support for those that have to obtain an abortion outside of Florida.

Learn more & connect with WEN

Event Board

Miami Rescue Mission (Feeding the homeless)

Wed, Oct 9 | 2:30pm - 6pm

Crossbridge Church
2020 NW 1st Ave
Miami, FL 33132

Volunteer EcoAction Day - Citizen Science Project

Sat, Oct 12 | 9:30am - 12:30pm

Marjory Stoneman Douglas
Biscayne Nature Center
6767 Crandon Blvd
Key Biscayne, FL 33149

Overtown Children & Youth Coalition Welcome Wednesdays

Wed, Oct 16 | 6pm - 8pm

Dunns Josephine Hotel
1028 NW 3rd Ave
Miami, FL 33136

H.O.P.E.'s Bi-Annual Free Community Clothing Giveaway & More!

Sun, Oct 20 | 3pm - 6pm

Wimbley's Courtyard
17701 NW 22nd Ave
Miami Gardens, FL 33056

African Diaspora Town Hall

Thu, Oct 24 | 2:30pm - 4:30pm

Embassy Suites by Hilton
13974 NW South River Dr
Miami, FL 33142

Community Event

Earth Ethics Institute Miami Dade College | Accountable Impact | IEEE | FLORIDA CLIMATE WEEK

PLANET POSITIVE 2030 – MIAMI

Imagine the Future We Can Build Together

Community visioning session for a positive and pragmatic future for a cooler climate and resilient community for Miami

Addressing Extreme Heat

planet positive 2030

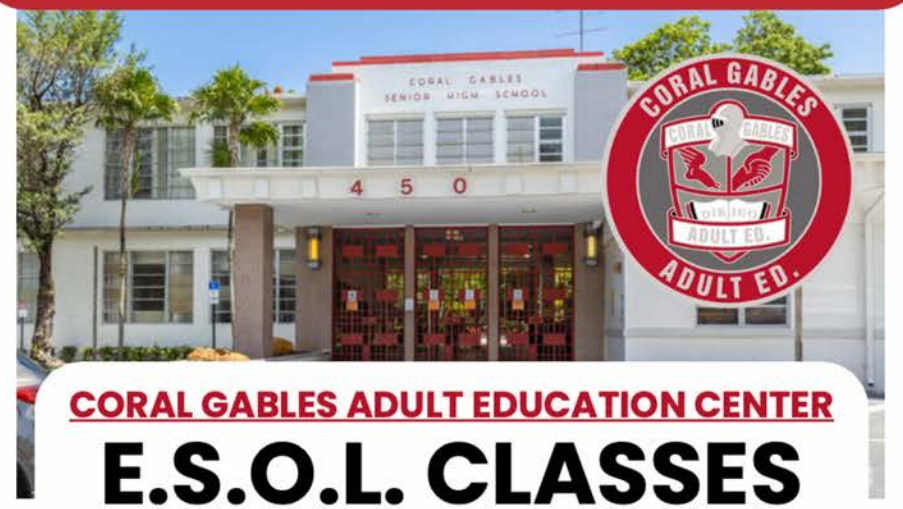
OCTOBER 10, 2024
8:30am-5:00 pm EST

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

MDC PADRON CAMPUS (10TH FLOOR): 627 SW 27TH AVE, MIAMI, FL 33135

Group Gatherings

Adult Education



CORAL GABLES ADULT EDUCATION CENTER

E.S.O.L. CLASSES

450 Bird Rd, Coral Gables, FL 33146

(Enter from LeJeune Road)

Hours of Operation: Monday thru Thursday 3:00pm - 9:00pm & Saturdays 9:00AM - 1:00PM

CGablesAdultInfo@Gmail.com (305)443-4871 **(After Hours-Text Only)** (305)771-5535

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August 15 - December 19	January 6 - April 17	April 21 - July 30

- English Courses- Beginning to Advanced
- Citizenship
- College & Career Readiness Program
- Speech & Diction
- GED Preparation & Test (English & Spanish)
- Vocational Courses
- Environmental Custodial Courses
- SAVES program available

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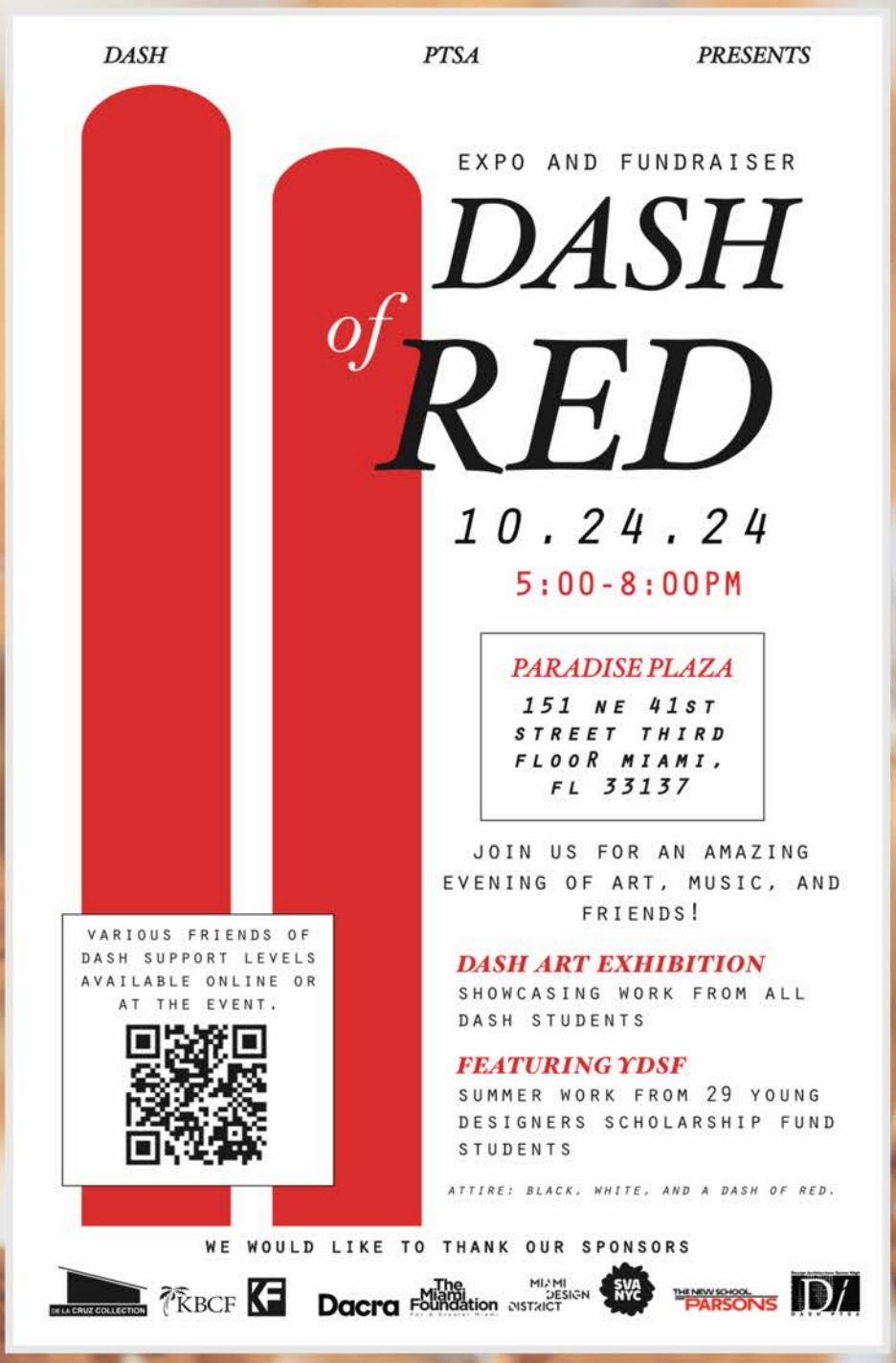
Fundraiser & Art Exhibition