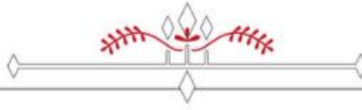


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The image shows the cover of the South Florida Business Journal. At the top, a red banner with white diagonal lines contains the text "SOUTH FLORIDA BUSINESS JOURNAL" in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below this, a group of approximately 12 women of diverse backgrounds and ages are posed against a dark blue background. In the foreground, a white circular graphic contains the text "sfbj Influential '21 Business Women" in a mix of red and black fonts. Above the main title in the circle, there is a small red floral emblem and the text "PAGES 11-20".



WOMEN WHO DEFINE SUCCESS IN GOOD TIMES AND TOUGH

During times of business stability and challenge alike, female leaders of all ranks are frequently praised for their ability to steer organizations through both the anticipated and unexpected.

The pandemic has tested those abilities. This year's Influential Business Women proved their mettle. They've relied on and rallied teams hired and mentored to complement their own strengths and shore up their weaknesses. They've learned to pivot in the face of struggles few could have foreseen, and embraced solutions they might not have even considered in the past.

Together, they've created

sfbj Influential '21 Business Women

award-winning organizations that have driven both customer and stakeholder value, while also preparing the next generation of leadership.

With praise for the women who came before themselves, many credit their success on a focus on family, health and self that keeps their minds clear and vision alive. They are, as one said, authentic, self-aware and, as

another said, "unapologetically me. Coming to that realization is the point at which you'll find true success."

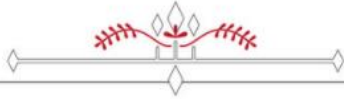
In the end, they "leave it all on the field," one said. As another advised: "Be bold and take chances in work and in life."

These are the attributes that describe successful leaders – and this year's Influential Business Women.

The honorees were feted at an April 9 virtual awards program presented by Wells Fargo. Corporate sponsors were the Florida International University College of Business and GCI Worldwide Corp., with associate sponsors Crown Castle, Durée & Co. and Gallagher.



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PEARL OF WISDOM: Enjoy what you do and do it with integrity.

HOW HAVE YOU AND YOUR TEAM EXCELLED DURING COVID? Keeping our team members safe is a priority, so we worked together to source PPE when

it was difficult to find. We have kept our properties and team members informed of local government rulings, and have stood by requirements provided by the CDC.

THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF MY DAILY ROUTINE: To be responsive. This is important for not only our clients, but also for our team members.

A SUPERPOWER I WISH I HAD: Flying would be awesome.

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT: I love the mountains. Whether snowboarding and snow hiking in the winter or hiking in the summer, the environment is so peaceful and enjoyable.

IF I COULD HAVE LUNCH WITH ANYONE, IT WOULD BE: My mother. She made everyone feel special.

