



Chargers SC at Lakewood Ranch  
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**LAKEWOOD RANCH CHARGERS SC ANNOUNCED AS FINALIST FOR MANATEE CHAMBER 2023 NON-PROFIT SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD**



**LAKEWOOD RANCH, FL** – The Manatee County Chamber of Commerce held its 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Manatee Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year Awards on Thursday night, June 29th at the Bradenton Area Convention Center in Palmetto. The Lakewood Ranch Charges Soccer Club was among nine other non-profit organization that were recognized for this special award as one of the 2023 Non-Profit Small Business of the Year.

“It is an honor to be recognized among all the other businesses and it is also a great achievement for our nonprofit youth soccer organization to receive such a significant recognition” said Antonio Saviano, LWR Chargers SC Director. He added, “every day our coaching staff is challenged to make our program one of the best in Manatee County, each one of our coaching staff is committed to deliver the best teaching to our youth soccer players and they all go the extra mile to meet members expectations”.

Other Non-Profit organizations who were recognized included Avenue941, Early learning Center Coalition of Manatee County, Foundations for Dreams, Healthy Teens Inc., Manatee County Habitat for Humanity, Parenting Matters, Girls Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, the Twig Cares, Inc. and United Way Suncoast.

The Manatee County Chamber of Commerce recognizes small businesses and non-profit organizations for “quality and excellence” as exemplified by growth, productivity, customer service, job creation and overall contribution to the community. The Manatee community is supported by stellar businesses and non-profit organizations that help strengthen the business environment and improve our quality of life.

**About the LWR Chargers SC**

The LWR Chargers Soccer Club was formed in 2011 in conjunction with the opening of the Premier Sports Campus. The club provides soccer opportunities to players throughout the Lakewood Ranch community and covering all sides of Manatee and Sarasota Counties. The LWR Chargers Soccer Club has approximately 480 recreational players and 28 competitive teams and calls Premier Sports Campus home. One of the club’s primary goals is to give players the opportunity to play competitive soccer at a high level regardless of a player’s socio-economic status.

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