



**As part of our mission to be socially responsible,** FLD is proud to announce the launch of FLD Charities. Dedicated to helping needy organizations in our industry, community or wherever they may be, FLD Charities will make a meaningful donation every quarter to a different charity working to make positive change.

For our initial effort, FLD is honored to name South Florida's annual "Smart Ride" as the first recipient, and we couldn't be prouder. Founded in 2003, this year's "Smart Ride18" is a two-day cycling extravaganza featuring over 400 riders that has raised over \$12 million since its inception — 100% of which is funneled back to charities dedicated to educating people on the scourge of AIDS and HIV. Leading the charge for FLD Charities is our own President Gary Mott, who was training to participate in the 2017 race before an unexpected heart attack interrupted his plans. Back with a vengeance and stronger than ever, Gary has started his own team of riders, and is currently in the top seven teams in donations pledged.

Slated for November 19 and 20, the ride kicks off in Miami before winding up in beautiful Key West with a celebration to honor these dedicated riders who are giving their all to make the world a better, healthier place.



Congratulations Gary — your FLD family is rooting for you and looks forward to making our first of what we're sure will be many meaningful donations to great causes like the "Smart Ride." **For more information or to sponsor Gary's team — the "Free Wheelies" — go to <http://www.thesmartride.org> and register today!**



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