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Boca Raton Firefighters Reunite Family

Boca Raton, Florida: Boca Raton Firefighters and Paramedics responded to a different type of family emergency. A local resident heard ducks chirping from a storm drain and a frantic mother duck pacing nearby. The crew on Truck 4, located at 351 W. Yamato Road was called to assist the mother who lost all 12 members of her family. Fire Captain Mike Altamuro and his crew quickly removed the heavy steel grate and lowered a ladder down into the drain. PRM/ Lieutenant Robert Cervi climbed down and was able to haul 9 ducklings to safety. Three others remained in the pipe and would not come out. FF/Driver Chris Innerst went down an adjacent drain with a fire hose. Using a stream of water he gently flushed the remaining 3 ducklings into the waiting arms of Cervi who reunited them with their mother. After a quick check and head count mom and her ducklings quickly left the area.

