

Homelessness Prevention in the Upper Keys

The Florida Keys Outreach Coalition, Inc. (FKOC), expanded services to the Upper Keys in October of 2015, opening an Outreach Office in Tavernier to better serve all of Monroe County.

With the support of many wonderful community partners FKOC has been able to provide critical assistance to help keep friends and neighbors from becoming homeless.

In the past year they have helped elderly residents pay utility bills, provided work clothing for the newly employed, helped working families struggling to pay rent, provided food for people finding their income has fallen short of their expenses, paid day care expenses and medical co-pays.

In partnership with the Upper Keys Community Resource Council (UK CRC), FKOC will be hosting a fundraiser "Santa's Stop, Shop, & Sip" to support homelessness prevention services in the Upper Keys on December 10th, see the ad for details.

They are seeking donations for all of these different activities but especially for the silent auction. Contact FKOC at (305) 916-5454 to help.

FKOC is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization and your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

All proceeds from the above-listed activities will go to providing homelessness prevention services in the Upper Keys that keep our friends and neighbors housed and fed.

"We know that sometimes a quick, helping hand can catch someone before they fall into homelessness." The coalition asks others for their help and support in these efforts.

The coalition thanks the Key Largo Lions Club, The Key Largo Chamber of Commerce, Coral Isles Church, Printing Plus, Key Largo Chocolates, The Fish House/Encore, Shell World, The Art Box, Bifton Bistro Cafe, and all of the auction and financial donors who have given so generously to make the Dec. 10 event possible.



Food Pantries, Meals & More

In the Upper Keys:

First Baptist Church of Islamorada
81201 Overseas Hwy. 305-664-4910
www.fbvislamorada.org
info@fbcislamorada.org

Food Pantry:
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.; and
6:30 p.m. Evening food bank includes
produce.

Dinner: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Key Largo
99001 Overseas Hwy. 305-451 -2265
www.fbckl.org office.fbckl@gmail.com

Food Pantry:
Not a traditional pantry, but bags of
food available for those in need during
church office hours.

Dinner: Wednesday 5:00 p.m.

Showers:
Available Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. -
7:00 p.m.; occasionally available other
times, if church office is open.

**Burton Memorial
United Methodist Church**
93001 Overseas Hwy, Tavernier
305-852-2581
www.bmumc.net
kmf bmumc@bellsouth.net

Food Pantry:
Monday & Wednesday 9 a.m. - noon
Tuesday & Thursday 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Dinner: Thursday at 5:00 p.m.

St. Justin Martyr Catholic Church
105500 Overseas Hwy, Key Largo
305-451-1316
www.st-justinthemartyr.org
sassanoshirley@hotmail.com

Food Pantry:
Monday 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 pm

Santa's Stop, Shop, & Sip!

In partnership with the **Upper Keys Community Resource Council (UKCRC)**, **Florida Keys Outreach Coalition (FKOC)** will be hosting the first Upper Keys fundraiser to specifically support homelessness prevention services in the Upper Keys !

December 10, 2016

From 12 noon to 4pm at the Key Largo's Lions Club: 99353 Overseas Highway, 33037

Activities for the whole Family!

- * Face Painting
- * Cookie Decorating
- * Gift Wrapping Station
- * Silent Auction
- * Egg Nog & Hot Chocolate Bar
- * Live Music from **The Sunshine Band!!**
- * Photo opportunity with **Santa from 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm** and more!!

For Donations or Information please contact FKOC at (305) 916-5454

Upper Keys Homeless Prevention Program

FKOC
FLORIDA KEYS OUTREACH COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS

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Upper Keys Office 305-916-5454
93911 Overseas Hwy.
Tavernier, FL 33070

The Florida Keys Outreach Coalition's Upper Keys Homelessness Prevention Program is currently providing coordinated social service assistance (basic needs services, outreach, and homeless prevention services) to Upper Keys residents (individuals and families) who are currently homeless and/or at risk of losing housing.

Services Offered:

BASIC NEEDS SERVICES: FL State ID's, drivers' licenses, and birth certificates, transportation assistance for work-related activities, family reunification assistance, prescription assistance, medical and dental co-pays, treatment and diagnostic testing, and clothing.

OUTREACH/MAINSTREAM RESOURCES: On-going outreach efforts assisting with Food Stamp (SNAP) applications, SSI/SSDI applications, assistance accessing to ACA, Medicare/Medicaid assistance and financial, housing and employment counseling.

HOMELESS PREVENTION SERVICES: Temporary rental and mortgage payment assistance and assistance to those living on boats to ensure habitability standards are obtained or maintained to remain housed. Call for availability.

Eligibility:
If you would like us to assess your needs for eligibility, please call our Upper Keys Office at 305-916-5454 (Monday-Friday; 9am-5pm) and we would be happy to schedule an appointment to meet with you. Applicants will be asked to provide documentation to show need.

We look forward to serving you!

Our Mission is to provide homeless individuals and families with the resources and opportunities by which to attain residential, financial and personal stability and self-sufficiency. The FKOC further seeks to address the underlying causes of homelessness and work toward its elimination in Monroe County, Florida.

Remembering Our Friends

At the end of the year,
it's a good time
to pause and remember
those who did not
make it this far.



Barbara Gintel



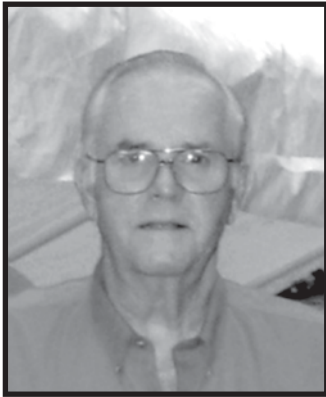
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Bob Hadley



Buddy Hammond



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Dottie Hill



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Jimmy McGuirl



Jimmy Nelson



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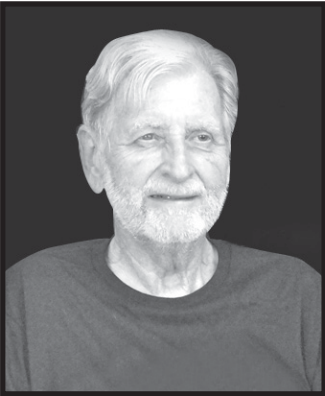
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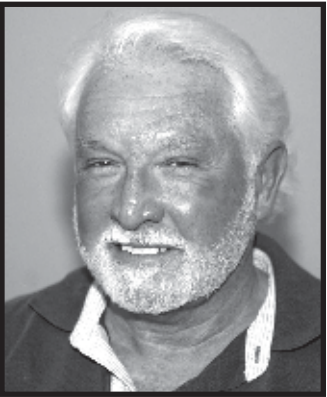
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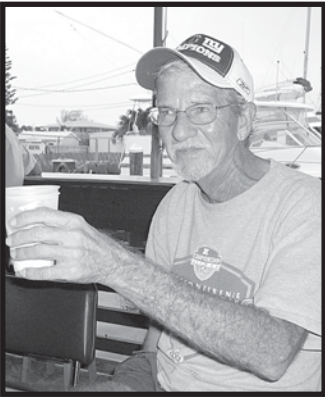
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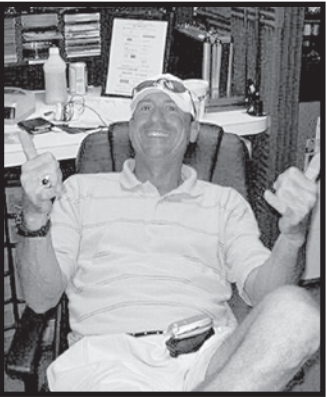
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