



# KAIR

Keys Area Interdenominational Resources  
Food Pantry and Emergency Services for those in Need in the Middle Keys



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## KAIR Welcomes Independence Cay!

As of October 1st, KAIR is now overseeing Independence Cay. This is a wonderful opportunity for KAIR and we are excited about taking on this responsibility.

Independence Cay serves the homeless in Marathon. Every day of the week, they welcome the homeless for a hot lunch, showers, and laundry. It is also open to all during inclement or cold weather. There are daily AA meetings as well as other classes that promote well-being and self-sufficiency.

Independence Cay currently also has transitional housing for 8-10 men that are committed to making the changes necessary to get their lives back on track. They live as a family, work on obtaining jobs, attend AA meetings if appropriate, and resolve physical and mental health issues.

Several of the churches in Marathon have stepped forward to assist with providing a home cooked hot lunch. Currently, Marathon Community United Methodist Church, St. Columba Episcopal Church and the Church of God all have chosen days where they bring the food and serve it to the homeless. This is so appreciated by those who benefit. We are hoping that more local churches will participate. Independence Cay is located at 1669 Overseas Highway, Marathon, behind Royal Furniture. We welcome your ideas and your support and invite you to "come on down".



## Save the Dates!



### "Gratitude" Concert

Marathon Community United Methodist  
Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) at 7 pm to benefit  
KAIR.

Marc Davis and the Gospel Warriors band along with Misery Loves Company band will be playing.

**Zonta's Festival of Trees** at the Marathon Airport

Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> - evening benefits KAIR

Come join KAIR to enjoy the beautifully decorated Christmas trees and see how KAIR helps children in the community.



**Distribution of Thanksgiving Meals**  
Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>

Jaycees Bldg. on 33rd St.-starts 7am  
Volunteers needed—call KAIR

**Yard Sale at Independence Cay**  
1669 Overseas Highway (behind Royal Furniture)

Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

There will be furniture, books, and household goods.



## KAIR's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner



Every year KAIR distributes a turkey and all the fixin's to 250 families in the Middle Keys. So many folks in our community need help and these days with high unemployment the need is even greater. The friends of KAIR have generously supported this program in the past and this year we are hoping that we can continue the tradition. Our neighbors are among the many who will celebrate a happy holiday with your help. A donation of \$25 will help defray the costs of one family dinner and any and all donations are greatly appreciated. You can make your check to KAIR and mail to the above address or stop by the KAIR offices. Volunteers will distribute the dinners November 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for KAIRing!

## Blessing of the Animals

St. Columba Episcopal Church recently celebrated our furry friends with the annual Blessing of the Animals. The KAIR Food Pantry was recognized for their assistance with providing animal food to those in need. Won't you help by picking up a bag of food the next time you are at the market?

