



All Charities Weekend February 10-12

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ALL CHARITIES APPRECIATES OUR
Preferred Partners

NETJETS



WHEELS UP



Celebrating All Charities' Preferred Partners



by Sarah A. Cart

Much of the success of All Charities Weekend through the years has been thanks to the steady and loyal growth and support of its Preferred Partners. Through their direct financial contributions and auction item donations, the Partners ensure that the monies raised at the Silent and Live Auctions over All Charities Weekend (aka ACW; in 2023, **Feb. 10-12**) free up the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to give 100 percent of the donations made by Club Members to non-profits.

So, to paraphrase a general rule from public safety officials: If you see something, say something ... which in this case would be, "Thank you!"

Thanks to the generosity of All Charities' Preferred Partners and the Ocean Reef community, over the past 15 years more than \$14 million has been passed through to our neighboring communities in the form of financial grants to assist thousands of our neighbors in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City. Closer to home, those local entities that are vital to Ocean Reef's life and culture – the Medical Center, Cultural Center, Academy, Art League, ORCAT and Conservation Association – have also been able to thrive.

At the start: NetJets has been a steady supporter since All Charities' 2008 beginnings; two other champions, **Northern Trust**, and Marsh (now known as **Marsh McLennan Agency Private Client Services**), joined shortly thereafter. Mary Lee Presents, known today as the **John & Mary Lee Fine Wine Society**, arrived along with the

"Preferred Partner" designation in 2012.

In 2014, both **Baptist Health South Florida** and Ocean Reef Real Estate (now **Ocean Reef Club Sotheby's International Realty**) came aboard, followed in 2016 by **Wheels Up** and **Lexus of Kendall/Lexus of West Kendall**, which that year donated the first automobile to be raffled.

From farther afield, in 2017 Chicago's **Lester Lampert Jewellers** joined the ranks, adding "Baubles, Bubbles & Jewells" to the calendar.

Sustaining the Preferred Partners tradition and moving it forward, in 2019 and 2020 came the addition of **Haute Explore**, providing personalized travel experiences around the globe, **Somerset Charters** with their beautifully restored 1971 Trumpy Cruiser, and **Barton & Gray Mariners Club** with their fleet of Hinckleys.

The additions in 2021 of **Baer's Furniture**, providers of high-end furnishings and interior design across Florida, and **Seabourn**, the pioneer of ultra-luxury cruising, round out the team.

Thanks to these Preferred Partners, planning for ACW moves forward with the freedom to craft a memorable and successful fund- and fun-raising weekend, with auction offerings domestic and international, experiences to share with friends or focused on family, and adventures, sports, jewelry, culture and more.

When ACW weekend comes: The fun begins Friday evening, Feb. 10, with the Wine and Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction Showcase. It continues Saturday daytime with Burgers, Beers & Bidding compliments of the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce and a NetJets display before Saturday night's Live Auction, dinner and dancing.

Questions? Visit oceanreefcommunityfoundation.org, or contact All Charities at 305-367-5996 or AllCharities@OceanReef.com.

All Charities' Preferred Partners are the girders upon which ACW stands. Please thank them, support them, celebrate them – they make all of us look good.