

PHILANTHROPY MATTERS

Community Outreach Volunteer Project Set for March 7th!



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For the first time since March 2020, the Foundation will host a Community Outreach volunteer opportunity! Our Community Outreach projects were started in 2018 and are each led by a member of the Foundation's Grants Committee to assist charities the group has evaluated and funded. Projects have often been off-The-Reef excursions to surrounding communities, but our latest opportunity will take place on The Reef led by Grants Committee member **Cindy Brammer** in collaboration with past committee member and project organizer **Patty Davidson**.

Interested members are invited to sign up for a Personal Hygiene Kit Packing



Community Outreach projects are one of a variety of ways the Foundation provides for Members to connect with worthy causes in surrounding communities. Pictured here are Members visiting the Children's Alliance of Florida Kids' Closet in Homestead on our February 6 Charity Tour, which also included visits with Homestead Senior High School, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Gang Alternative at Pichol Williams Community Center and the ARC Florida City Ace Academy.

Event starting at 1:30 p.m. on **Tuesday, March 7** in the Ocean Reef Cultural Center Heritage Room. Our project benefits grantee and non-profit partner Star of the Sea (SOS), which primarily distributes fresh produce, meats, dairy products, bread, and canned goods to over 11,000 individuals each year in partnership with 35 different agencies serving children, veterans, seniors, and the homeless across Monroe County.

Hygiene products and bags will be supplied to assemble kits, but Members are also welcome to bring new hygiene projects (including toothpaste, dental floss, toothbrushes, combs,

hairbrushes, washcloths, razors, soap, deodorant, lip balm, and feminine hygiene products) or to drop off items if unable to participate. The finished kits and donated products will be distributed to Upper Keys clients of the SOS St. Justin Martyr Food Pantry the

Foundation helped establish in 2014.

We suggest comfortable shoes to move around the room to gather items from various stations to pack into bags over one to two hours, depending on the number of helpers. Those who give through the All Charities effort are already supporting the non-profits in Homestead, Florida City and the Upper Keys, so we encourage members to sign up for our Community Outreach projects to learn more about the work you are funding by contacting foundation@oceanreef.com or 305-367-4707.

Your support of the All Charities Weekend strengthens entities, like the Ocean Reef Community Foundation, that enhance Ocean Reef Club's Unique Way of Life and enables the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to provide for thousands in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City. Call 305-367-5996 to learn more.

VISITING PRIEST FATHER MALACHI VAN TASSELL



CATHOLIC MASSES:
Saturday, Feb. 25 • 4 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 26 • 12 p.m.
Chapel Sanctuary

The Very Reverend Malachi Van Tassell, T.O.R., Ph.D., President at Saint Francis University, will lead this weekend's Catholic Masses in the Chapel Sanctuary. Please join us in welcoming him to our community. Additionally, Pete Shields will deliver the first and second scripture readings.



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NEW MENU ITEMS ADDED

Nachos with Crispy Tortillas

Burritos, Fajitas
Both with choice of Chicken, Skirt Steak or Shrimp

TACOS & TEQUILA TUESDAYS

Every Tuesday from **6 to 9 p.m.** enjoy any house margarita and two tacos for **\$26**

No reservations required.

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