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Florida Keys nonprofits gather to learn, connect and grow

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Representatives from nonprofit organizations throughout the Florida Keys gather at Faro Blanco Resort in Marathon for the 2026 Florida Keys Nonprofit Day.

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MARATHON, Fla. — More than 135 nonprofit leaders representing nearly 60 organizations from throughout the Florida Keys gathered at Faro Blanco Resort in Marathon on Sept. 16 for the 2026 Florida Keys Nonprofit Day, an annual opportunity for the local nonprofit community to learn, connect and share ideas.

Presented by the Florida Keys Funders Alliance — a collaboration of the Community Foundation of the Florida Keys, Ocean Reef Community Foundation, and United Way of Collier and the Keys — and sponsored by First State Bank, the event brought nonprofit professionals together for educational sessions focused on strengthening their organizations and navigating the changing nonprofit landscape.

Featured speaker Robyn Faucy, CEO and owner of Results 1st and a TEDx speaker, shared strategies designed to help nonprofits raise more money, increase participant engagement and develop scalable, high-impact programs. Faucy introduced attendees to the Results 1st methodology and offered practical approaches organizations can use to achieve measurable results.

Leah McDermott, Vice President of Policy and Programs for Florida Nonprofit Alliance, provided a statewide perspective on the challenges, trends and opportunities affecting Florida's nonprofit sector. Her presentation also addressed changes at the state legislative level and their potential implications for nonprofit organizations.

Beyond the educational sessions, Florida Keys Nonprofit Day provided an opportunity for nonprofit professionals serving communities throughout the island chain to meet one another, exchange ideas and develop relationships with organizations facing many of the same opportunities and challenges.

The Florida Keys Funders Alliance hosts Nonprofit Day as part of its ongoing effort to strengthen the nonprofit sector throughout the Keys by connecting organizations not only with funding opportunities, but also with information, resources and one another.

Through collaboration, education and shared resources, the Florida Keys Funders Alliance works to support and strengthen nonprofit organizations serving communities throughout the Florida Keys.