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REPORT TO THE CITY OF KEY WEST August 2014

August HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Provided a Lower Keys bus pass to a KOTS user who needs to travel to Marathon daily for medical appointments,
- ✓ Paid for a diabetic client's medical appointment to enable him to obtain his medication.
- ✓ Referred and placed an unsheltered female with physical and mental disabilities into the Domestic Abuse Shelter.
- ✓ Placed an unsheltered client at KOTS, and made a referral to GCC for a mental health assessment to get him into a 90 day program through South Florida Behavioral Health.

KEYS OVERNIGHT TEMPORARY SHELTER (KOTS)

Shelter Usage

A total of 218 individuals used the shelter in August 2014.

Breakdown of KOTS Users

By Gender

Males:	194
Females:	<u>24</u>
	218

By Age

Age: 18-24	2
Age: 25 and over	216

By Military

Veterans	31
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Capacity

KOTS did not reach capacity (140) any evening prior to 9 p.m. in August.

KOTS & Health Issues

KOTS staff called (EMS) 4 times in August at the request of shelter users. Public Health nurses came to KOTS one night in August and provided Hepatitis shots.

Donations

Star of the Sea continues to be supportive of the volunteers that do the cleaning and laundry at KOTS. Each Friday, volunteers at SOS bring breakfast food, snacks and juice for KOTS volunteers. In addition SOS provided cleaning supplies to assist staff and the volunteers with cleaning.

MOBILE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Case Management Services

A total of 278 individuals received case management services in August 2014.

Breakdown of Case Management Users

Initial unsheltered individual consultations:	70
Initial sheltered individual consultations:	140
Follow-up consultations:	<u>68</u>
	278

Relocations/Reunifications

A total of 13 individuals received relocation/reunification services in August 2014.

Breakdown of Relocations/Reunifications

By Shelter

Sheltered individuals:	7
Unsheltered individuals:	<u>6</u>
	13

By Gender

Male:	8
Female:	<u>5</u>
	13

Special Needs Population Services

One wheelchair bound female who was unsheltered.
All clients that were relocated went to stable housing with family.

Health Care Services

A total of 19 individuals received health care services during August 2014.

Breakdown of Health Care Service

Health Care Appointments	11
Mental Health Referrals	5
Prescription Assistance	<u>3</u>
	19

NON-CATEGORICAL ASSISTANCE

Breakdown of Non-categorical Assistance

Miscellaneous Case Management:	119
Identification/Residency Services:	40
Social Security/Birth Certificate Applications:	33
EBT Services:	14
Housing Referrals:	7
Local Transportation Assistance:*	15

**Local and Lower Keys bus passes are provided only to those individuals with documentable disabilities who have no income nor means of transportation, and to KOTS residents requiring transportation for medical appointments.*

AUGUST RELOCATION SUMMARIES

GC was a short term sheltered client at KOTS. He was unable to find employment and/or housing. GC was relocated to Milwaukee, WI to live with a family member.

PT was an unsheltered female client that was released from jail and requested immediate relocation. Through interagency cooperation with the Public Defender's office, PT was relocated to a family member in New York State on the day of her release.

VR was an unsheltered gentleman who had been incarcerated for 10 years and came down to Key West to fulfill a parole violation. He completed his time, but was unable to find a job which made it impossible to maintain housing in Key West. He was relocated to Orlando, FL where he had an opportunity for work and housing.

CP was a mentally ill unsheltered male who came to Key West to stay with a family member. He was promised a job and a place to stay. Upon arrival, things did not work out as planned. The family member did not provide work and kicked CP out of his house. He requested a long distance bus ticket to Akron, OH to reside with a family member, to enable him to get off the streets and obtain his bipolar medication.

JP was a wheelchair bound female who came down to Key West to live with her boyfriend. Her boyfriend was arrested and incarcerated. She thought she could obtain housing since she receives disability income. She realized that affordable housing was nonexistent in Key West and found herself on the streets with no money for food or a place to stay. SHAL relocated her to Columbus, OH to live with a family member. We also provided her food for her trip.

JM and FF were two brothers that had come to Key West with the promise of employment. The employment lead did not come to fruition and they quickly found themselves destitute and staying at KOTS. They requested relocation to a family member in Jackson, MS who had work and stable housing for them immediately.

RL and CO were an unsheltered couple who had tried to make it in Key West. They both worked sporadically and were unstably housed for a short period of time on a boat. SHAL relocated them to Akron, OH to live with RL's mother.