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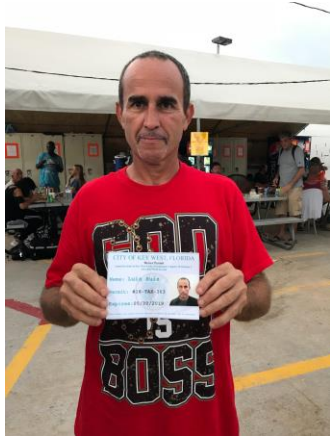
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May 2018 Report

SHAL is always happy to report on clients that have **moved on to better situations!** We are **thankful** to be able to **provide shelter and services** for those in need in our community!



Richie Campbell had the unfortunate experience of subletting a room from someone who didn't let him know the owner was selling the house. Richie found himself homeless, and KOTS was his only option. He works as a bartender and stayed at the shelter for a little under three weeks. "KOTS allowed me to save the money I needed to get my own place and get my life back." Best of luck to you, Richie!



Luis Ruiz came to Key West from the mainland of Florida. He stayed with us for approximately two months, using that time to save money to obtain his Taxi License. He is now employed with Key Lime Taxi service and is no longer needing to stay at the shelter! "I got everything robbed when I got here. I had nothing. The staff and SHAL helped me out and I thank them all very much." We were happy to be of help to you, Luis – good luck!

SHAL OUTREACH

Service Summary Report

SHAL's hard working **Outreach staff, Teresa Wallace and Anne Barnett** under the direction of **Amy Yancich** provided **440** services to clients in May, both sheltered and unsheltered. They conducted 43 intakes, purchased 5 birth certificates for clients, assisted 42 clients in obtaining their ID, made 22 healthcare referrals, and assisted 18 clients with food stamp/Medicaid applications.

Success Stories

- SHAL assisted an **elderly disabled female** client obtain the necessary documents to **relocate to live in her own housing** near family in Arizona. She was left homeless after losing her roommate due to hurricane Irma, and after being evicted, wound up staying at KOTS for almost two months.
- SHAL **referred** a client to a local church resource who was able to help the client with a gas card to **get back to MI where she is now living with family** while she waits on public housing that she has an approved voucher for.
- SHAL **referred** a veteran to the **VOA program** where he was accepted and is now in housing.
- SHAL was able to **purchase work boots/clothing for 7 clients** this month, allowing them to start their jobs.
- **Key Bridge Counseling donated several boxes of hygiene kits** to KOTS and SHAL Case Management – THANK YOU!!!
- SHAL **worked alongside with Jai at Project Lighthouse** to purchase a **wheelchair for a disabled female client**.

SHAL would like to take a moment to appreciate all of the other agencies and organizations that partner with us to provide services to our clients. Without interagency coordination and cooperation so many of these success stories would not be possible!!!

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More!



SHAL SHELTER OPERATIONS - KOTS

Under the direction of Shelter Manager, **Chris Sparrow** and Head Monitor **Samuel Pizarro**, KOTS again had a busy month! The database shows that there were approximately **107** clients sleeping at the Shelter on an average night in April.

That number of clients means that the Shelter staff again served nearly **6,000** meals to SHAL Shelter residents. Dinner is provided by the volunteers at St. Mary's Soup Kitchen and delivered by SHAL volunteers who pick up the pans and bring them out to the Shelter on Stock Island. Shelter residents and staff serve breakfast each morning so that our homeless brothers and sisters can start their day with a meal.

A HUGE THANK YOU to the dedicated KOTS staff for all of their hard work around the shelter!!! Here is a before and after picture of one of the dorms after being power washed and sealed.

