



# in all the ways-



25,798

**SERVICE REQUESTS**WERE ANSWERED IN 2021 BY

FISH OF SANCAP
MEETING VARIOUS NEEDS AND

**HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS** 



**HOLIDAY** 

**FOOD BASKETS** 





MEALS-BY-FISH WERE DISTRIBUTED

BY OUR GENEROUS VOLUNTEERS



4,294
FOOD BACKPACKS
WERE DISTRIBUTED



847
INSTANCES OF

EMERGENCY : FINANCIAL :

**ASSISTANCE** 



VISITS
UTILIZING
255,980
POUNDS
OF FOOD EQUATING TO
213,316

MEALS SUPPLIES





Dear Friends of FISH,

Helping others paint a brighter future with respect and dignity is truly an art. As FISH celebrates 40 years in service to our island neighbors, *it is an important moment for us to reflect on our past and appreciate how far we've come*—making a meaningful difference in the lives of others using creative problem solving, bold generosity and simple kindness.

In the last year, FISH was presented with challenges and opportunities as we continued to lend helping hands to islanders in need, navigating uncharted waters of a global pandemic. Because of the generous spirit of the islands, we rose to the occasion to ensure supports were in place for all who needed them. The opposing page highlights just some of the incredible ways FISH served our community in 2021.

A particular point of pride was bringing three COVID vaccine clinics to the islands to distribute 1064 doses to our most vulnerable neighbors and the broader community. These clinics were made possible by neighbors, nonprofits, service & faith-based organizations, and our City—all working as a team toward a common goal. Examples like this are not only accomplishments for FISH, but a beautiful illustration of our island communities supporting one another.

Our anniversary year is also a time to look forward with a vision for the future. Like a blank canvas full of possibility, FISH's future is bright as we build upon our strong foundation of core programs to meet the ever-changing needs of our community with a renewed commitment to ensure sustainability. To continue fulfilling the promise for the next 40 years, FISH has undertaken a strategic planning process and effort to expand our current facilities to accommodate the growing demand for our services. FISH truly offers something for everyone and is committed to providing the resources needed—under one roof—for each member of our community to thrive. We are excited about the opportunities ahead, and leading the way to a better tomorrow.

With Gratitude,

Sheridan Snell, Board Chair

Sheridan Snell



Maggi Leiner

Maggi Feiner, President & CEO







"We are so proud of the work that FISH has done over these past 40 years. As we celebrate this milestone, we are inspired to keep moving forward, finding new ways to serve our island neighbors well into the future."

—Sheridan Snell





# Luffelling promises FOR 40 YEARS & COUNTING

In staying true to our beginnings, we continue to enrich the lives of all people in Sanibel and Captiva Islands, specifically through Food programs, Island based education, **S**ocial & senior services, and **H**elping hands & financial assistance. So while things may look a little different 40 years later,

FISH still stands for the same thing—neighbors helping neighbors.

And that won't change.



"FISH has come a long way since those humble beginnings the organization's list of services has expanded, the number of volunteers has skyrocketed, and the generosity of islanders has enabled FISH to become a critical support base for many."

> —Tom Dunham long-time supporter & founding family member of FISH

## 40 year timeline

–March/April First full week of operations; Ready to help 24-7; original phone number is still in use

1983—First annual meeting at Gulf Pines

1984—Hurricane Committee Established **1986**—First Friendly Faces Event

> –Volunteers jump to action before Hurricane Floyd

—"Person-to-Person" calls established

**1992**—FISH celebrates 10 years of service

1999—New FISH President, Norman Bowles steps in after 12 years of volunteer work

> adopted motto of "Neighbors helping Neighbors"

**2007**—New logo reflecting community focus; opened first Walk-in Center

**2008**—Food Pantry opened & Walk-in Center relocated

—FISH becomes a

-FISH assists record numbers following Hurricane Irma

**United Way Partner** 

2011—Backpack Program established

**2012**—"30 Rocks!" FISH 30th **Anniversary Celebration** 

> -New Walk-In Center opens & FISH has a "Home of its Own"

New logo and Mission Statement

## LEADING THE WAY WITH CACCEMATION Climics

## TO GIVE US ALL A BETTER SHOT AGAINST COVID-19



FISH knows the needs of our island neighbors. One of this year's greatest needs was the opportunity to receive COVID-19 vaccines *close to home.* In a year when most thought it impossible, FISH worked hard with local elected officials to secure several 'pop-up' vaccination sites, with the Department of Health administering vaccines for our neighbors.

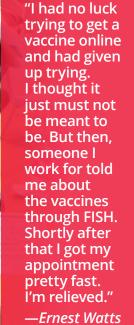
As the pandemic continues and we respond to ever-changing circumstances and variants, we will continue working with amazing partners such as the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva, the City of Sanibel Police Department, Sanibel Fire Department, Parish Nurses, Medical Offices, Pharmacies, City of Sanibel Officials, The Community House and our dedicated FISH volunteers.

Together, we will ensure that anyone living or working on Sanibel and Captiva islands that wants the COVID-19 vaccination has the opportunity to do so in their own backyard.



to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Bailey's staff are in contact with many people each day, and so we encouraged our employees to take advantage of this vaccine opportunity on island."

—Bailie Johnson



"Very excited to get my second vaccine. Our employees from Billy's Bike Rental had the vaccine available to them as well as my 90 year old father-in-law. It's taken all the stress away for my wife and me because the whole process has been a lot easier. It's been very convenient not having to stand in a long line."

—Billy Kirkland



off and on island. So hearing I It was great could just go down the road was and the process great news. It was so convenient. has been so very simple!"

FISH is just fantastic!"

—Iohn Ouillin

—Sheri Prange



# LEADING THE WAY WITH 1000 knognamus TO FEED THE NEED



from is an experience that is scary and asking for help is humbling. Food insecurity is often one of the first reasons someone comes to FISH and is almost always a symptom of larger issues facing a household. Whether it's a young family struggling to keep kids' bellies full or a senior who is unable to cook nutritious meals as often as they once did, FISH is here to help. Each year, FISH distributes hundreds of thousands of pounds of food through the pantry, delivers thousands of hot meals to housebound island residents, and provides holiday meals to hundreds of families. Feeding, nourishing, and helping neighbors in need—it's what we do.

"Volunteering in the pantry at FISH is such a rewarding experience. I feel so honored to be part of this amazing organization."

—Laurie Hafener volunteer since 2009



## **FOOD PANTRY**

In 2021, FISH distributed 255,980 pounds of food, equating to 213,316 meals. A global pandemic, supply chain issues, and inflation has exacerbated an already significant issue facing many families in Lee County—food insecurity. Working families and island seniors struggling to decide if they'll pay rent or put food on the table, come to FISH for assistance with supplemental groceries, making it FISH's most-used program with nearly 6,000 visits last year.

## MEALS-BY-FISH

Delivering hot meals to island seniors, through our partnership with Bailey's General Store, is a program that has seen some of the greatest growth since the beginning of the pandemic. In 2021 FISH volunteers delivered 5,090 meals, ensuring nutritious food was a daily reality for our neighbors who are housebound or have limited mobility.

## HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

Keeping the holidays light and bright for everyone is at the heart of the FISH holiday food basket program. Each year, the community comes together to raise money, donate food, and assemble baskets of food with all the trimmings for Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. In 2021, FISH distributed a record 562 baskets.



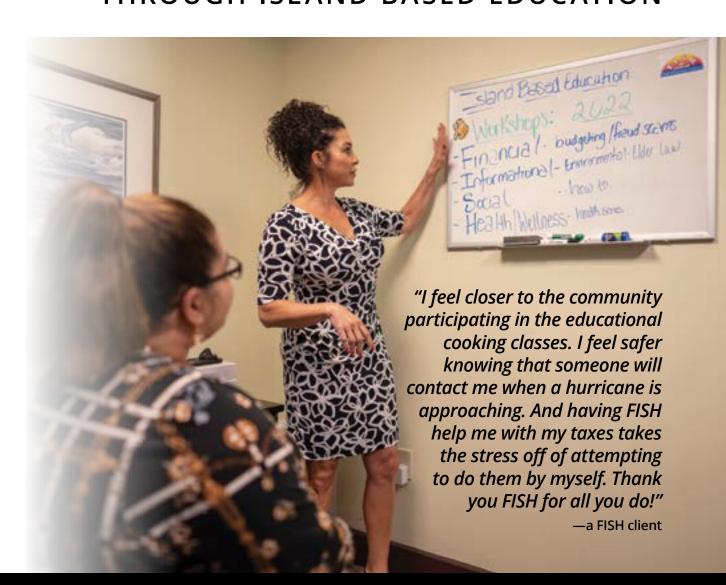
## LEADING THE WAY WITH

# empowerment THROUGH ISLAND BASED EDUCATION

Enriching the lives of our neighbors through the gift of education is an important way FISH serves our community.

Education is an important way to empower our islands *to connect with each other,* in-person or virtually, to learn about and discuss topical issues.

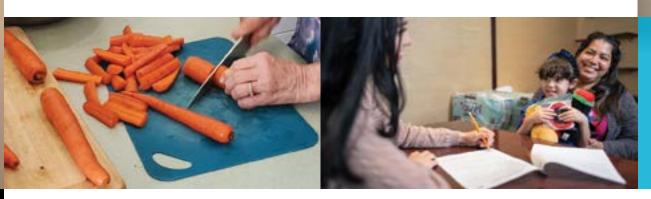
We work to provide quality educational opportunities for people of all ages, from children to seniors and everyone in between.





## WORKSHOPS

Our community workshops educate islanders on important topics facing them such as fall prevention, memory impairment, and aging in place as well as interactive programs such as our Cooking with Leslie virtual cooking classes. FISH is proud to partner with other nonprofits and experts in their field to offer our monthly workshops.



## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

FISH stands behind those living and working on our islands in their pursuit to *use education as a bridge to a better future.* Our scholarship program provides financial assistance for those seeking to further their careers with continuing education or to gain the credentials needed to make changes in their professional future.



"The FISH Youth Scholarship Program has made such a difference for my son. Because of FISH, he has been able to experience extra educational opportunities and help that I couldn't have provided on my own. Now he is learning and thriving like never before."

—a FISH client

## LEADING THE WAY WITH COMMERCE OMESS

## THROUGH SOCIAL & SENIOR SERVICES



## SENIOR NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Funded by the Charitable Foundation of the Islands (CFI), FISH spearheaded an island-wide, national benchmark survey to not only receive feedback from those 55+ living on the islands, but to see how Sanibel and Captiva compare to other communities in senior welfare. Results are an important piece of our continued work with the aging population.

Some key points included 40% of respondents are in a caregiving role for a loved one and 20% of respondents did not have enough money for daily expenses. The most cited experiences with mental health issues included dealing with the loss of a close family member or friend (32%), feeling bored (28%) and feeling lonely or isolated (27%). However, only 1 in 4 felt mental health resources were adequate on the islands. **We are determined to help change that.** 



## TECHNOLOGY & CONNECTEDNESS PROJECT

With **funding provided by the AngelFISH society**, FISH worked with seniors identified through existing program participation and referrals **to fill technology gaps for seniors on Sanibel and Captiva**. FISH worked one-on-one with seniors to evaluate how technology could improve their connectedness to friends, loved ones, the community, and the world. **Last year, nearly 20 island seniors received a tablet or other device, assistance with internet connection in their home, and IT service to learn how to use their new technology.** 

## **SMILE BOXES**

FISH was excited to continue delivering our popular **Smile Boxes** to islanders throughout the year. Developed in 2020 to address the social isolation perpetuated by COVID-19, the program curates themed boxes each month with enriching, thoughtful, and sometimes yummy items for recipients.

Examples include the October Farmer's Market box which was assembled in partnership with the Sanibel Farmer's Market and included various edible items such as seasonal produce, jams, honey, fresh baked bread, and other treats such as handmade soaps. **Volunteers packed and delivered 576 smile boxes in 2021.** 

## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

FISH cares about the safety of all our island neighbors. Each year, prior to Hurricane Season, FISH compiles a packet of all up-to-date information on evacuation, safety, precautionary measures, shelter locations, Sanibel re-entry passes, special needs shelters, and more. These packets are provided free of charge to any islanders—in 2021, FISH distributed 522 packets. Additionally, for our most vulnerable residents, FISH works with those who need a little extra help preparing ahead of hurricane season; ensuring their emergency evacuation plan is up to date, that an emergency contact is provided, and that we can remain in touch with them before, during, and after a storm through our volunteer Hurricane Committee.



"FISH has helped me connect to my kids on the computer. I don't feel alone now." —a senior technology client



"Delivering Smile Boxes has been a blessing to clients, and to me!"

—a FISH volunteer



# LEADING THE WAY WITH MELINIA MANUAL & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



Facing unthinkable decisions such as putting food on the table or paying rent; paying a medical bill or keeping the lights on—these are questions that many working families ask themselves before they come to FISH. We are committed to working with families to create the supports they need with an individualized plan through our wrap-around services.

In 2021, FISH assisted with **847 instances of emergency financial assistance** for rent, utilities, healthcare, and other necessary expenses.

Providing a safety net to families dealing with short-term financial crises, which is often part of larger issues in the home, gives our clients a moment to breathe while they work with our professional staff to develop a long-term plan.

FISH is honored to be part of our neighbors' journey—removing obstacles and creating opportunities for families to thrive.



weekly nutritious, kid-friendly foods for children of families living or working on Sanibel and Captiva. Each backpack has snacks, cereals, easy-to-heat pastas & proteins, milk, juice, and fresh fruit so during weekends, school breaks, and throughout the week children have access to nourishing foods. To provide further healthful food and opportunities for quality family-time, FISH added a 'fresh meal' component in 2021. Each week FISH curates a simple, healthy recipe, and gathers all the necessary fresh ingredients, so families can prepare a meal together at least once a week. This also provides learning opportunities for kids working alongside family in the kitchen. We proudly distributed 4,294 food backpacks in 2021.

## YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP & SCHOOL SUPPLIES

FISH offers scholarship opportunities for youth for a variety of academically and developmentally enriching activities. From weekly one-on-one tutoring to summer camp, from school field trips to sports uniforms, we work with families to ensure access to resources for children to thrive. Additionally, each year, FISH provides children with school supplies, basic clothing items and shoes, backpacks, and undergarments through our Back-to-School drive. In 2021, FISH helped 295 children with their back-to-school needs.

## **ADOPT-A-FAMILY**

The holidays can be a stressful time for families, especially those who are getting by on a limited income. FISH works hard, with our community, to make the holidays special for all our island neighbors. *Our Adopt-a-Family and toy drive program puts special emphasis on making the holiday season bright for kids by providing their parents with toys and clothes picked out based on their child's interests.* Last year, 243 kids saw a happier holiday through this program.

FISH is committed to working families and an important part of that work is the services to support our youth. From battling childhood hunger to providing resources for enriching educational experiences, we are here for our littlest neighbors.



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## ANALYSIS OF FUNDING & EXPENDITURES

## 2021 REVENUE

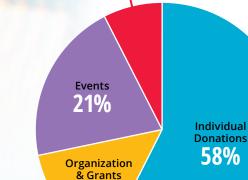
Individual Donations \$1,472,135
Organization & Grants \$353,484
Events (Net) \$539,314
Misc & Other \$167,391

TOTAL REVENUE: \$2,532,324

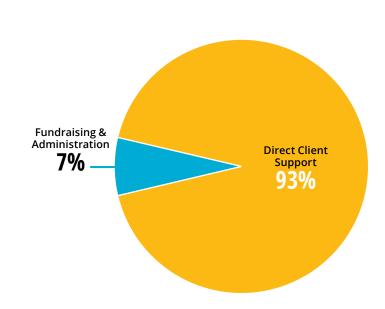
## **2021 EXPENSES**

Direct Client Support Fundraising & Administration	\$2,052,883 \$155,612
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$2,208,495

**NET OPERATING INCOME: \$323,829** 



Misc & Other



\*CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS in 2021 were \$1,037,500 with \$400,000 of this amount used for MORTGAGE REDUCTION

Note: all figures are audited

## A BETTER TOMORROW WITH GIVING

"Joining the FISH Legacy Society is a meaningful way to provide sustainability for FISH, and continue making a difference in the lives of the neighbors and community I love."

—a FISH Legacy Society member

## WHAT IS PLANNED GIVING?

"Planned giving" is simply a commitment, either revocable or irrevocable, to give to a Section 501(c)(3) charity, such as FISH or its Foundation, as part of a donor's overall financial or estate planning (as contrasted with typical annual donations).

## WITH A PLANNED GIFT, A DONOR MAY

- Create an endowment to generate annual income that provides for the development and enhancement of designated FISH programs & activities (e.g., Helping Hands or Food Pantry)
- Create an endowment to enhance FISH staff development or subsidize the compensation for a specific position, similar to endowing a professorship at a university
- Name the FISH Walk-In Center (or an office) for the donor or in honor/memory of a loved one or another person

Have you **already included FISH in your estate plan?**We would love to know so that we may appropriately recognize you as part of our **FISH Legacy Society**. Please contact Maggi Feiner or Maria Espinoza at 239.472.4775.



## TYPES OF PLANNED GIFTS

**BEQUESTS**—donations at death (through a Will or Trust) of cash, real estate, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, or other intangible assets

**RETIREMENT PLANS**—designation of FISH as a beneficiary of a retirement account, such as an IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension or profit sharing plan

**LIFE INSURANCE**—designation of FISH as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy (whole life or term)

**RETAINED LIFE ESTATE**—transfer of real estate, such as a residence or commercial property, to FISH, but with the donor retaining the use of the property for the remainder of the donor's lifetime (e.g., the Woodring property)

food programs • island based education • social & senior services • helping hands & financial assistance fishofsancap.org



LEADING THE WAY WITH

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"Even when we can't gather as a group, nothing can stop the momentum of our FISH fundraising annual events."

—a FISH supporter



Each October, FISH hosts a 10K race on Sanibel to support our ongoing work. *Once again this year, due* to COVID, we were unable to host an in-person race. But thanks to the creativity of our 10K Committee, the support of local businesses, and our runners, FISH hosted another successful virtual event. Runners from across the country (and world!) were able to register for the 10K event and run their race at the time, date, and location of their choice with the help of the Raceloy app which tracked their times. The commitment of our supporters is as strong as ever!



cancel the event for the second year in a row. *In its* 

place, generous supporters have been sponsoring in

the spirit of the event to ensure FISH is able to make

an important fundraising goal to continue offering

our critical services to those in need.

FISH is proud to partner with these amazing organizations, businesses, and individuals each and every day to strengthen our island communities.

"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself." —Henry Ford

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS IN

Florida Department of Children

community

& Families ACCESS Program **Counseling & Treatment** Alzheimer's Association of Lee County Florida Gulf Coast University American Red Cross, Lee County American Legion Post 123 **Amigos Center** Arden Courts Area Agency on Aging SWFL Ashton Kirchner Group Bailey's General Store Bank of the Islands Bat Yam Temple of the Islands Beacon of Hope Billy's Rentals Bob Janes Triage Center & Low Demand Shelter Breeze Newspapers **Builders Care** CareerSource of SWFL **Catering by Leslie Adams** Child Care of SWFL Children's Advocacy Center of SWFL Children's Education Center of the Islands City of Sanibel **City of Sanibel Recreation Center** Comfort Keepers Community Cooperative Community Coordinated Childcare of SWFL CROW **CVS Sanibel Cycle Forward** Deaf & Hard of Hearing Center **DeMine Immigration Law Firm** Dr. Doreen Greenburg Dex Imaging Early Learning Coalition of SWFL ECHO

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National Alliance on Mental Illness

Nick Adams Photography **Oasis Senior Advisors** Over Easy Café Paradise Candle & Soap Partners for Breast Cancer Care **Ouintessence Marine Rachel Pierce Gallery Radiology Regional** Residence Inn by Marriott **Rotary Club of Sanibel Captiva** Saint Michael & All Angels **Episcopal Church** Sandbar Restaurant Sanibel Air & Electric Sanibel-Captiva American Legion Post #123. Inc. **Sanibel Captiva Business** Women's Association Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce Sanibel Captiva Island Assoc. of Realtors **Sanibel Captiva Beach Resorts** Sanibel Captiva Lions Sanibel Community Church **Sanibel Community House Sanibel Congregational** United Church of Christ

**Sanibel Fire Station** Sanibel Island Farmer's Market Sanibel Island Therapy Sanibel Island Rentals **Sanibel Police Department** Sanibel Public Library **Sanibel School** Sanibel Taxi SCCF Seashells.com Senior Friendship Center of SWFL St. Isabel Church Sundial Beach Resort & Spa The Dubin Center The Robert Rauschenberg Foundation The Sanibel Shack The Salvation Army **Three Crafty Ladies** Thrive Senior Living at Beachwalk Toys Ahoy United Way 211 United Way of Lee, Glades & Hendry Counties Valerie's House **Veterans Service Office Visiting Nurses Association of SWFL** VITA Program We Care of Lee County Zonta of Southwest Florida





While we have over 150 volunteers

annually, that number often drops

dramatically during holidays and

off-season months. We invite you

to choose how you can help,

and we'll provide training!

## AMAZING/ volunteers

## RISING TO THE OCCASION & MAKING IT HAPPEN

Shirley Akins Carole Albero Dechen Albero Marilyn Albridge Marsha Bach Judy Baran Ioan Baiek Iim Baiek John Bayou Clair Beckmann Cheryl Biltgen Gary Biltgen Dodie Bock Thomas Bolon Mary Jane Bolon Pat Boris Robert Bowen Mary Ann Brady Nancy Brooks Ioan Brusch Lynn Butkiewicz

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Paula Friedman Deborah Garrett Lynn Goodwyne Jerry Gorby Carol Gorby Doreen Greenberg Stanley Grogg Joan Gruver Bill Greggs Laurie Hafener Sherry Halleran Mary lo Hardy Kristin Harvey Betty Hayes Elizabeth Heizmann Cheryl Herbert

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Jack Meng Lanet Merrill Bob Miller Lisa Ann Miller Arlene Mowry Denise Moore Roman Lyskowski lanice Manarite Frances Morsillo Kent Neitzke Pat Norton Peggy McGann Liam Nuckolls George McGann Holly Nuckolls Barbara McGarry Elaine Pace Bobbie McGlynn lanet McLaughlin Elizabeth Parker Gerrald Parkhurst Trisha Parkhurst John MacKinnon Sue Prather

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Mike Reardon Kathleen Rice Ed Ridlehoover Nancy Risch John Roberts Susan Ryckman Mary Jean Sanders Katherine Sanger Karen Sartoris Mary Alice Scanlan Laurie Shannor Sandy Shepard David Scheiber Linda Scherer Shirley Shultz David Scott Gretchen Scott Pam Signorell Ellen Sloan Greg Spaulding Fran Spencer Jennifer Sweigart

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Charles Woods

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE**

Robin Krivanek

Tovce Krivenko

Lenore Lawrence

• BACKPACK PROGRAM—pack, sort, stock

Donna Hungeling

- **EVENTS**—meet and greet, set-up, decorate
- FOOD PANTRY—shop, sort, pick-up, and assist
- **HURRICANE INFO**—meet client, explain plans
- **MEALS**—pick up, deliver hot meals to clients
- MEDICAL EQUIPMENT—meet, deliver, pick-up
- **TELEPHONE**—receive messages & respond
- TRANSPORT—drive client to/from appointment
- **VISITATION**—visit neighbors needing socialization
- WALK-IN-CENTER—meet, greet, assist

# Leadenship FROM OUR DEDICATED BOARD

& AMAZING CREW



"Helping neighbors is our team's passion. It's who we are." —Maria Espinoza, Executive Director

## 2021 BOARD MEMBERS

Sheridan Snell—Board Chair Lisa Ann Miller, MD—Board Vice Chair Maggi Feiner—President & CEO Jim Metzler, PhD—Treasurer Ann-Marie Wildman—Secretary Robert Bowden—Director Melissa Congress—Director Steve Klug—Director Nicole McHale—Past Board Chair John Morse—Director, Emeritus lim Nelson—Director Kathy Samson—Director Ellen Sloan—Director



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Women—with strength, dedication, passion for others, and generous spirits—are a powerful giving force

## ANNUAL ANGELFISH

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## SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR **INAUGURAL 2020-21 ANGELS**

## **ANGELFISH ANGEL**

Catherine Anderson Susie Freund Gave Pigott Nancy Rolley Fllen Sloan

## STARFISH

Dixie Bowden

## **TIDE TURNER**

Marilyn Aldridge Susan Beittel Sam Boren-King Vibeke Christensen Dulce Doss Barbara Dunham Sherry Gentry Karen Gill Helene Hall Susan Heisler Gwenda Hiett-Clements Ianie Howland Lana lacobs Carol Manker Nicole McHale Lisa Ann Miller

Patty Moore Mary Nelson Susan Ryckman Patty Sprankle Monica Taylor Linda Uhler Kathy Wiesemann

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Priscilla Viets Nanelle Wehmann Ann-Marie Wildman

## IUMP IN Susan Alexander

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Maryanne Edelman Linda Estep Gloria Garrett Chervl Giattini Helen Gracev Merni Libonate Phaidra McDermott Mary McMillan Merry Lee Neil Peggy Nickerson lane Ramseth Kathy Samson Kandi Sanger Toni Shannon Lvnda Traverso Elaine Worley

The first annual AngelFISH

celebrating the generosity

and work of strong women.

luncheon was a huge success,

The AngelFISH Society allows women in our community to direct their giving in focused, strategic ways, with the goal of providing sustainable funding for the FISH of Sanibel-Captiva Foundation, Inc. an endowment created to support the future of FISH.



"In our first year, we've been overwhelmed by the enthusiastic support of so many incredible women. Our AngelFISH are true angels!"

–Nicole McHale

The AngelFISH Society accomplished great things in 2021—our inaugural year. Our 1st annual program project was focused on connecting island seniors to the world

around them through technology. As a direct result of AngelFISH efforts, FISH was able to distribute tablets, laptops, smartphones and more—along with technology training sessions—to a number of island seniors making a positive impact and touching lives.

We are thrilled to keep the momentum going and jump into our 2nd annual AngelFISH programmatic project—Weekly Fresh Meals for Kids. As an extension of FISH's Backpack Program, the Weekly Fresh Meal Program provides a well-balanced meal kit that families can easily prepare on a weekday and enjoy together. Each kit includes a kid-friendly recipe and all necessary ingredients. Throughout the year, meal themes add an element of fun and variety for kids and parents alike.

During the pandemic, the number of families served by these programs has increased tremendously with over 180 children currently enrolled. The AngelFISH Society is **excited to take the plunge** to provide directed support toward this fantastic program and make a difference in the lives of our youngest island neighbors and families.

The Weekly Fresh Meal Program is meant to encourage families to be more independent and promote togetherness while combating





food insecurity

## IMPACT REPORT GRACIOUSLY UNDERWRITTEN BY



"Life on Sanibel and Captiva simply would not be the same without FISH. Island visitors rightly appreciate our welcoming hospitality, thriving wildlife, and natural environment. But even more notable is the uniquely caring culture of our community. FISH of SanCap is an indispensable leadership organization that has helped define our islands as a truly special place where we care for one another—especially our neighbors in need—in so many meaningful ways. Please join me in saluting FISH during 2022, in celebration of 40 years of incredible service and fostering the spirit of neighbors helping neighbors."

—Geoffrey W. Roepstorff CEO, Bank of the Islands/Edison National Bank Island Neighbor

