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Music Festival graphic included

Neighbors Helping Neighbors: FISH OF SANCAP Announces Dec. 2 Music Festival

Sanibel, FL (Sept. 28, 2023) – FISH OF SANCAP, the islands only wrap-around social service agency provider, is excited to announce the Sound+Waves Music Festival, held in conjunction with the 2023 10K/5K race, scheduled for Sat., Dec. 2, 2023.

“Our community has endured a lot since Ian, and FISH has been here every step of the way offering recovery assistance to survivors. We’re excited to plan this festival as a way to demonstrate our commitment to our community,” “says Maria Espinoza, Executive Director.

The music festival, combined with the 10K/5K race, will honor the resiliency of the islands. Hosted by community partner ‘Tween Waters, the festival will begin at 5pm on Sat., Dec. 2. The concert will be performed on the beach followed by fireworks, and food and beverage will be offered for purchase. Featured artists include Jessica Jones of the Jessica Jones Project; Joe Marcinek of George Porter Jr.; Will Montgomery of Arrested Development; Marcus White of Marcus King Band; Shane Platten of Melody Trucks Band; Will Neal of Fantasia Barrino; Rick Benedetto of KC and the Sunshine Bank and Chris Sgammato of Displace. These artists will come together to offer a variety of acoustic performances for this unique event, featuring songs from their respective bands, familiar favorites and festive tunes.

“We hope our community will join us to have fun, dance, and acknowledge the many different achievements and milestones we’ve accomplished in the past year,” continues Espinoza.

The Sound+Waves Music Festival is a fundraiser for the organization to support their mission ‘to enrich the lives of all people in Sanibel and Captiva Islands by neighbors helping neighbors with social services, education and assistance’. The event is ticketed with advance ticket sales only; no on-site tickets will be available. Tickets are on sale now at <https://FISHmusicfestival.rsvpify.com>.

Other FISH activities planned for Dec. 2 include the FISH 10K/5K beginning at 7:30am at the Sanibel Community House and a family fun day and youth reindeer run hosted at the Sanibel Recreation Center from 10:00am-2:00pm.



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Support for the FISH festival day is critical as FISH continues to serve the residents and workforce of the islands. Sponsorship opportunities are available at various levels and can be found on the organization's website, fishofsancap.org. For information on 10K/5K Race and Music Festival sponsorships, please contact Diane Cortese at Dianerc10@gmail.com or Leah Winkler at leahwinkler12@gmail.com.

For additional information on FISH long term recovery services and other programs, please contact Maria Espinoza, Executive Director at 239-472-4775 or visit their website at www.fishofsancap.org.

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FISH of Sanibel-Captiva has been a 'neighbors helping neighbors' organization on Sanibel and Captiva for over 40 years. As a social service organization, FISH has been ground zero, in recent years, from natural and environmental crises to the impacts of COVID and now, for catastrophic Hurricane Ian. FISH offers something for everyone—if there is not a service in place for unmet needs of community members, they work to meet it through their expansive regional network. In addition to their Long-Term Recovery program, FISH continues to offer programs representing their four major pillars – Food, Island Based Education, Social and Senior Services, and Helping Hands.

Although FISH has grown from the grassroots organization it started as, it still remains a network of 'neighbors helping neighbors'; a group of community members committed to



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the betterment of the islands and southwest Florida community by assisting one neighbor at a time. FISH is proud to say that 92 percent of every dollar donated goes directly to programs and services including but not limited to:

- *Long-Term disaster recovery*
- *Emergency financial assistance*
- *Food pantry*
- *Non-emergency transport*
- *Temporary loan of health equipment*
- *Hurricane preparedness information*
- *Daily hot meals program*

More information about FISH is available online at fishofsancap.org, as well as Facebook, Instagram and X (formerly Twitter). For details about hurricane recovery and other services, contact Maria Espinoza, FISH Executive Director, at (239) 472-4775.