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2025 - 2026 Update



Boca Cares Spreads Holiday Cheer with Grants to Local Charities Supporting Food-Related Needs

Englewood, FL, January 2026 — In the true spirit of the holiday season, Boca Cares proudly distributed funding to local nonprofit organizations dedicated to supporting food-related needs for families and individuals throughout the greater Englewood area.

Thanks to the generosity and compassion of Boca Royale residents, Boca Cares was able to provide meaningful financial support to several local 501(c)(3) charities, helping ensure that vital services continue during a time of increased need.

The following organizations received holiday grants:

- EPIC Community Resource Center, Inc. — \$2,500
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast, Inc. — \$5,000
- Englewood Helping Hand, Inc. — \$5,000
- Englewood Meals on Wheels — \$5,000
- Englewood Animal Rescue Sanctuary — \$1,250
- Suncoast Humane Society, Inc. — \$1,250
- St. David's Episcopal Church — \$5,000



“Especially during the holidays, access to food and basic necessities is critical,” said Jim Epifano, Boca Cares Board President. “These grants reflect the heart of Boca Royale—neighbors helping neighbors—and our continued commitment to strengthening the well-being of our local community.”

Since its inception, Boca Cares has distributed more than \$400,000 to local charities serving the community. The organization plans to raise additional funds during its **upcoming Masters-Themed Golf Tournament, scheduled for April 11, 2026**.

The continued success of Boca Cares is deeply rooted in its strong ties to the local business community. Major sponsors include Michael Saunders Real Estate, California Closets, Crews Bank, Englewood Glass & Doors, James Griffith Salon, 1847 Financial, Artur's, Modern Finish Carpentry, and Imperial Blind & Shutter, among others. Thanks to the generosity of these businesses and community partners, Boca Cares has been able to provide significant and ongoing support throughout the Englewood area.