



### Our Mission

The CBCC's purpose is to provide an effective means for residents of Coral Bay to participate in planning the future of Coral Bay development, by providing education and information on planning processes, and a forum for government, citizens, and developers to discuss plans. The agenda will initially focus on: land and water use planning, infrastructure, development and environmental issues. The Council will seek community consensus on the future of Coral Bay. The organization, with its nonprofit status, will be able to implement community improvement and research projects through grants and donations, and evolve into a broader agenda of community services and concerns.

### Board of Directors

- Bonnie Blair
Sharon Coldren
Jean E. Cottrell
Kent Irish
Marie Naisby
Joan Thomas
Barbara Dalmida
Thompson

### Advisory Council

- Guy Benjamin
Mary Blazine
Alvis Christian
Elvis Marsh

### Officers 2005

- President: Sharon Coldren
Vice President: Barbara Dalmida Thompson
Secretary: Marie Naisby
Treasurer: Jean E. Cottrell

### 2005 Projects & Activities

EMERGENCY SERVICES MAPPING: Under Kent Irish's leadership, mapping of local roads, homes, and contact information is continuing, so that emergency services personnel can be more readily directed to persons needing assistance.

WATERSHED ISSUES: CBCC has continued to focus private and government attention on stormwater runoff issues. CBCC is considering affiliation with a national watershed activist organization to enhance these efforts and assist



in finding the funding to hire a full-time professional on these issues.

PLAYGROUNDS: Children's recreation areas were identified as an infrastructure need that CBCC can play a lead role in facilitating. The first project was assisting the CBYC, PTO and Rotary in refurbishing the Guy Benjamin Elementary School Playground. Future projects are improving the Jackson Park area, owned by the Calvary Baptist Church at John's Folly, and encouraging VI Housing, Parks, and Recreation to utilize leased or owned land in central Coral Bay for public recreational facilities.

POLICE SUBSTATION: CBCC facilitated identifying an interim location for the Coral Bay Police substation at the Cocolobo Mall, and paid for the large visible sign to direct people to the substation and publicize the phone number. The \$714 in funds came from our member's dues and donations. We are also working to establish good community policing policies.

APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM: Led by Joan Thomas and Kent Irish, efforts were made to start a construction trades apprenticeship program in conjunction with the VI Department of Labor, especially aimed at local teenagers, with the cooperation of Coral Bay contractors. This proved not doable at this time. However, a couple of 18-yr-olds were given first job opportunities. We need to find ways to expand this idea...

CZM, NOAA, DEVELOPMENT ISSUES: Numerous contacts have been made via phone, meetings, and letters to encourage federal and local government to focus on issues of importance to Coral Bay: Roads, run-off, appropriate development, regulation enforcement and environmental issues, etc.

VISION: Developing the vision statement needs to proceed - with more community involvement.

WASTE MANAGEMENT: CBCC will participate on the new Waste Management Authority advisory committee, and continue the efforts to get our trash collection out of the mangroves.

NEEDS: CBCC members and the community are concerned about the broad range of infrastructure, environmental and other concerns here in Coral Bay. We need to find effective ways to engage all segments of our diverse community in discussions and choices about the future of Coral Bay. We need more volunteers willing to carry responsibilities and projects forward.



### November 2005 Board Elections

The CBCC Board is elected to staggered 3-year terms. This year the members at the annual meeting, and by proxy, are asked to elect the following slate of Board members: Sharon Coldren and Kent Irish - for terms expiring in November 2006. Jean Cottrell, Barbara Dalmida Thompson and Marie Naisby - for terms expiring in November 2008

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### ANNUAL MEETING

The CBCC Annual Meeting will be held Monday, November 7th at 6 pm at the John's Folly Learning Institute in Coral Bay. In addition to the board election, there will be a presentation and discussion of CBCC's activities, and future priorities. Refreshments will follow.