

COVID Updates

We take no pleasure in having to headline our newsletter with a subject we have all grown rather weary of, but alas, that's where we are at (still!). In no particular order, here are a number of updates to be aware of:

- 1) KBYH staff continue to work from home for the most part, but someone is at the office everyday. We have not set a return-to-work date as of yet. If you need to come to the office, please make arrangements ahead of time and plan to use CDC precautions while on the premises.
 - 2) In person visitations (foster children with their biological family) are starting to resume. All parties are expected to adhere to CDC guidelines (that should be explained by a social worker prior to the commencement of an in-person visit). Please be sure to consult with a social worker prior to a visit to be sure you understand the expectations and to express any concerns or reservations you may have.
 - 3) KBYH's annual FFA summer camp has been cancelled. If conditions allow, we may hold a one-day camp sometime in August.
 - 4) Camp Forever (KBYH's adoption family camp) is tentatively scheduled for 8/28-8/30. There is a small chance a minimized version of this camp will be offered, but that remains to be determined.
 - 5) The KBYH Resource Parent and volunteer appreciation dinner has been tentatively rescheduled for September. More details to come at a later date.
 - 6) KBYH has PPE supplies available for staff as well as Resource Parents. Anyone in need of PPE supplies, please feel free to reach out to any KBYH staff member.
 - 7) Per the governor's directives on 6/18/20, face coverings are generally expected when outside of the home. We ask that all KBYH staff as well as resource parents abide by this expectation.
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Dear Bakersfield Angels & The Mission at Kern County:

You made our day! Kern Bridges received 40 boxes of ham and cheese from The Mission At Kern County for our group home boys and foster families. Your support means so much, not only to Kern Bridges, but to the children you are helping.

Thank You! You truly have made a difference.



Upcoming Trainings (held via video conference until further notice)

August 19, 6:00-8:00 PM

“Managing Aggressive Behavior”

With Mark Dominguez

RSVP @ kbyh.mark@gmail.com

September 5, 9:00-11:00 AM

“Effects of Domestic Violence on Children and Non-minor Dependents”

with Marina Hernandez

RSVP @ marina@kernbridges.com

CPR/1st Aid

CPR and First Aid trainings are on an as needed basis at this time. Contact your KBYH Social Worker if you need to renew your certification.

ISFC Training/Support Group

Trainings are currently being offered via Zoom.

RSVP to Carrie Wombacher

carrie@kernbridges.com

July 28, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

“IEP and Education”

August 25, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

“Substance Abuse”

KBYH Graduates!!

KBYH would like to congratulate Anton Freeman, who received his Bachelor's degree in Business (with a concentration in finance) from CSUB. Anton has been an invaluable member of our team for the last 2 years and will be relocating to Virginia in the coming weeks.



Also a special congratulations goes to Kathy Irwin who completed her Bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management from Ashford University. Kathy has spent the last 3 years diligently working towards her degree and is proof that it's never too late to pursue your education (not that we're



July



Child Birthdays

- Freeland S: 16 years old
- Micah M: 16 years old
- Abel E: 1 year old
- Ryder B: 16 years old
- Tyonna P: 18 years old

Resource Parent

Birthdays

- Palencia Mohesly: July 8
- Brenda Quintino: July 19
- Jennifer McPhee: July 28

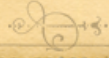
KBYH Staff Birthdays

- Ruth Ann Jackson: July 4
- Lisa Elswick: July 22
- Fernando Ortega: July 23
- Willie Smith: July 28

KBYH Staff Anniversaries

- Joe Ortega: 20 years
- Ronnie Wofford: 15 years
- Trina Smith: 12 years
- Carrie Wombacher: 10 years
- Michael Ramirez: 5 years
- Lisa Elswick: 2 years





Graduation Spotlight

Kern Bridge's STRTP's would like to take this moment to recognize Davion and Michael for graduating from their prospective schools this year. Thank you for continuing to drive your own education through tough times. This accomplishment shows how your self-confidence can bring you to new and amazing things!

Also, congratulations to Roman R, Victor G, and Tyonna P, students from KBYH's FFA program, who graduated as well. We are proud of your ability to get through all the requirements despite the many hurdles you have had to overcome.

Congratulations on your well-deserved success!!

