



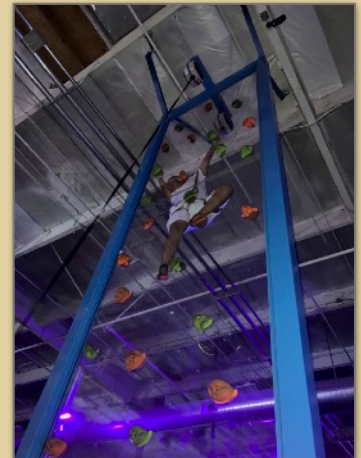
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Hometown Fun!

The boys living in our STRTP's had a lot of hometown fun over the past few weeks. They experienced many of our local amusement entities such as Camelot, Pump It Up, and The Boulevard. Getting our boys outdoors is our mission, our goal, and our passion when it comes to activities. When we explore and expose our boys to experiences and to unique real-life adventures, we attempt to bring reality to their eyeballs and feelings. At Kern Bridges, we believe learning exists when children are exposed to an experience to which they can connect. We want to give our boys the opportunity to go beyond the STRTP boundaries and have first-hand experience.



“Your self-sacrificing devotion to your purpose in life and your unwavering faith will carry you through times of difficulty.” -MLK

WELCOME BACK MARINA HERNANDEZ



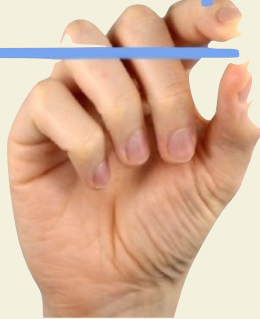
She's Back!!!

Several months ago, Marina accepted a full-time position as a medical social worker and even though she excelled at the position (as we knew she would), she ultimately made the decision to return to her first love, KBYH! Ok, first love may not be quite right, but Marina knew that working with foster youth and resource families is where her true passion lies. And fortunate for us, she was able to return and resume her duties effective March 21.

Welcome back Marina!



TRAINING



Reasonable and Prudent Parent Standard means careful and sensible parental decisions that maintain the child's health, safety, and best interests. (Welfare & Institution Code Section 362.04 and 362.05)

Crisis Calls: phone calls from an individual in crisis presents a challenge. The caller may be an anxious friend, desperate family member, suicidal stranger, or an angry customer.

Upcoming Trainings

April 9, 9:00-11:00 am

“Child Development”
with Catherine S. RSVP to
csanterre@kernbridges.com

May 4, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

“Prudent Parent Standard”
with Martha. RSVP to
martha@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 open to any Kern County approved ISFC Resource Family. RSVP to Jennifer Robbins
jrobbins@kernbridges.com

“Crisis calls and Risk Management”

April 26, 2022

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

“CSEC and Runaways”

May 2, 2022

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm



**KBYH Staff
Anniversaries,
March**

- Raymond Brown 1 year
- Martha Pantoja-Gonzalez 4 years
- Ronny Copeland 7 years

**Resource Family
and Child
Birthdays, March**

- Braden T 3/10 18 years
- Easton L. 3/16 2 years
- Ashton B. 3/25 18 years
- Bella G. 3/28 14 years

- Sheila Drummer 3/1
- Anita Caudillo 3/24
- Rochelle Davis 3/25

**KBYH Staff
Birthdays, March**

- Roland Meyers 3/7
- Mark Dominguez 3/19
- Catherine Santerre 3/25



**KBYH Staff
Anniversaries, April**

- James Boston 9 years

**Resource Family
and Child
Birthdays, April**

- Darrian L 4/6 8 years
- Xavier W 4/15 4 years
- Monique C 4/24 13 years

- Hugo Hernandez 4/2
- Everado Viramontes 4/4
- Michael Drummer 4/16
- Ronald Allison 4/28

**KBYH Staff
Birthdays, April**

- Rick Ramirez 3/3
- Martha Pantoja-Gonzalez 3/19
- Karen Kenney 3/25

Community Spotlight

Mr. Randy Coulter

This month, Kern Bridges Youth Homes would like to recognize CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate), Randy Coulter. After working in the education field for many years, Mr. Coulter became a CASA five years ago to help youth and families ensure their voices are heard in the juvenile court system. Mr. Coulter is assigned to a youth in one of KBYH's resource family homes, and he has worked diligently with the youth to make sure he knows what services are available to him as he is transitioning into adulthood and preparing to reside with his mother again. Mr. Coulter even met with the youth and his mother at the Dream Center to introduce them to direct services and service providers located there.

Thank you, Mr. Coulter, for your dedication and hard work with youth and families! KBYH is happy to have you as a valued partner!

Head Over Heels – Wear Your Helmet!

A head injury can quickly turn a fun outing into a disaster. Bicycles, scooters, skateboards, winter activities like skiing and snowboarding and other activities can be potentially dangerous. According to CPSC's estimates, bicyclists received about 151,000 head injuries that were treated in U.S. hospital emergency rooms. Skateboarders visited hospital emergency rooms with about 18,000 head injuries. Many of these injuries could have been prevented through proper helmet usage. Wearing a bicycle helmet while biking, for example, can reduce your risk of head injury by 85 percent, and reduce the risk of brain injury by 88 percent, according to a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine. There are different helmets for different activities. Be sure to wear a helmet that is appropriate for the activity.

-Courtesy of United States Consumer Product Safety Commission
(www.cpsc.gov/safety-education)

