



Kids In Distress Auxiliary November/December 2021

The Kids Advocate

News and information for our members and supporters.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, December 16th

Auxiliary Board Meeting

6:30pm

Amanda Sheff's Home

All welcome

Saturday, December 18th

KID Respite Holiday

Adopt-a-Family Collection

SW Ranches Campus

Sunday, January 16th

KHK Meeting

4:00pm

Thursday, January 20th

General Meeting

6:30pm

Saturday, January 29th

KID Hero 5k

Vista View Park



President's Message

"Thankfulness, gratitude and being able to serve others are the foundation of character"

~Jim Loehr

Dear Auxiliary Members,

As we enter the hustle and bustle of the holidays and good cheer with our families and friends...I wanted to send a huge **THANK YOU** to all of you for your continued support of the Auxiliary and the needs of Kids In Distress.

Our collections are in full force - starting with Halloween where we collected and distributed 122 costumes to the Agency. On October 29th, **Amanda Sheff** and her committee hosted the inaugural LOVE makes #kidPossible tennis tournament at the **Sunrise Tennis Center**. Kids Helping KID (KHK) led by **Sandi Hertzbach** and **Lisette Wolf** and their amazing teens had another **RECORD BREAKING** Thanksgiving Food Drive, collecting and creating 1,803 food bags and over \$32,970 in gift cards and cash donations. **Michele Lancelot** has organized dinner delivery to the Foster homes on both campuses. The Holiday Adopt A Family is in full swing - the Auxiliary adopted Miss Jennifer's home on KID Main Campus in Wilton Manors and KHK adopted Miss Toy and Miss Sarah's homes in Southwest Ranches.

The KID Hero 5k is live! The website is up and ready for you to register for the race, create a team or donate to the Friends of Auxiliary Fundraising page along with the opportunity to become a sponsor. The event is January 29, 2022 at Vista View Park in Davie. We will once again offer a Virtual 5k/10k option from January 9-29. See the newsletter or visit www.KIDHero5K.org for more information.

November saw our return to in person meetings. It was wonderful to see those of you who were able to attend. Our December meeting will be hosted by **Amanda Sheff** and include a Holiday Celebration. Mark you calendars for Thursday, December 16th at 6:30pm!

I wish you a safe and memorable holiday season.

Together, we will make what seems impossible, *KIDpossible*.

Sincerely,

Sandy Nori

President

subrbnmama@aol.com



Happy Holidays

Sleigh the Season



HELP US MAKE THE HOLIDAYS #KIDPOSSIBLE!

Join us in making the season merry and bright for the 20,000+ children and families served by Kids In Distress and Family Central! With your support, we can meet our goal of providing every child we serve with 3 gifts this holiday season.



Here's How:

- Purchase a gift directly from our Amazon Smile Wish List and have it sent directly to KID.
- Be a 'Secret Santa' and collect toys/gift cards.
- Register as an individual or with a team to raise money at www.SleighTheSeason.org
- Drop off a new, unwrapped toy or gift card to our Main Campus in Fort Lauderdale.

Visit www.SleighTheSeason.org or contact Maggie Hulsey at maggiehulsey@kidinc.org for more information.



BINGO IS BACK!!!!!!

Who: You are all invited to Bingo 2022

What: “Birdie” Bingo

When: Spring 2022

Where: In Person (Waiting for venue confirmation)

Why: KID needs the continued support.

We are looking for a committee to get started in the planning.

We need help with Decorations, Players, Sponsors, Raffle, Prizes, Logistics & Hospitality.

Please say you'll help as we can't do this without you.

Linda is prepared to get players and sponsors. What can you help with?

Please call Sandra Nori 954-629-3992.

Thanks Bunches.

KID Hero5K 2022: Sponsorship and Fundraising!

Dear KID Auxiliary Member:

First, thank you for being a loyal and supportive member of the Kids In Distress Auxiliary! I hope you are all doing well and that 2021 has been a good year for you.

In the next pages you will find Sponsorship Information for the KID Hero 5K. There is a Corporate Sponsorship Packet that also includes Naming and Underwriting Opportunities. As well, there is information on the Friends of the Auxiliary Fundraiser to Encourage, Enlighten, Educate and Equip these precious children in our community.

Your generous sponsorship or donation will help the Agency continue to enhance, expand, and improve services for children and families in need.

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY AS WELL AS ANY BUSINESS OR COMPANY WHICH MAY BE WILLING TO SPONSOR!

If you have any contacts who you believe may be willing to be a sponsor or donor, please let me know their information so that I can reach out. This can be a service company you use, a business or restaurant you frequent, or a person who may not be aware of the important work of Kids In Distress.

In addition to personal donations, there are so many options for fundraising. Create a KID Hero 5K Team with family, friends, neighbors, book clubs, golf groups, tennis partners, business colleagues, Facebook friends or any other group. Create your own fundraising group and reach out to everyone on your mailing list or Facebook page to donate.

Let me know if you have any questions, or if I can help you with fundraising plans!

Lisa Schultz

Sponsorship Coordinator

Lisaschultz717@gmail.com

954-257-2283

SPONSOR INFORMATION



Saturday, January 29, 2022
Vista View Park | Davie | 7:30 a.m.

Virtually: Anytime. Anywhere. | January 9-29, 2022

Presented by:



Hosted by:



For more information, contact ElsaBlancoBridgen@KIDinc.org or 954.390.7620.

Run/Walk and
make #KIDpossible



Benefiting 20,000+
Children & Families

For 42 years Kids In Distress (KID) has been carrying out our mission to prevent child abuse, preserve the family, and treat children who have been abused and/or neglected. We are able to do this because of individuals, corporations, and foundations that value and invest in the lives of the children and families we serve through our education, prevention, foster care, and family strengthening programs. The generous support we receive enables us to remain the premier provider of child and family services in South Florida.

A great way to support the mission of KID is through the 18th Annual KID Hero 5K presented by UKG and hosted by the KID Auxiliary. One of South Florida's most fun runs, the KID Hero 5K is a family-friendly run/walk where the community comes together in the spirit of support for the children and families KID serves. This year, participants may choose to run/walk the USATF 3.1 mile course in person at Vista View Park on January 29, or complete 3.1 or 6.2 miles "Anytime... Anywhere." from January 9-29. Please join us as we encourage, educate, empower, and equip children and families. You, your company, or organization can get involved by sponsoring, underwriting, creating a team, and volunteering.

Thank you for your kind consideration to support our mission. Together, let's release our inner superheroes and make the impossible, KIDpossible.

On behalf of the KID in all of us,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Dhooge".

Mark Dhooge
President & CEO

What is the KID Hero 5K?

The 18th Annual KID Hero 5K presented by UKG and hosted by the KID Auxiliary is a family fun day for all. Participants are encouraged to release their inner superhero by dressing up in their best costume solo or with sidekicks! Day of activities include Gotham Tent City, Smallville Kids Fun Run & Fun Zone, Power Up Breakfast, incredible warm-up, energetic entertainment, and more. Community members can register and raise funds as individuals or teams by visiting www.KIDHero5K.org. Virtual participants can join forces from January 9-29, 2022 by running or walking 3.1 or 6.2 miles, anytime...anywhere.

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Sponsorship Information (Check all that apply.)

- The Avengers Presenting Sponsor** **\$50,000**
Company logo incorporated in the event logo design, opportunity to speak at event, prominent logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, opportunity to be part of Hero encouragement video, event sponsor gift, Monarch Society membership for one year, company information on all media communications, press releases and recognition on all social media engagements, and 100 complimentary race registrations.
- The Justice League Sponsor** **\$20,000**
Prominent logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, event sponsor gift, Monarch Society membership for one year, company information on all media communications, recognition on press releases, social media mentions, and 40 complimentary race registrations.
- X-Men Sponsor** **\$15,000**
Prominent logo placement on event shirt and logo on KIDHero5K.org, event sponsor gift, Monarch Society membership for one year, company information on all media communications, recognition on press releases, social media mentions, and 30 complimentary race registrations.
- Fantastic Four Sponsor** **\$10,000**
Logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, event sponsor gift, company information on all media communications, social media mentions, Monarch Society membership for one year, and 20 complimentary race registrations.
- Guardians of the Galaxy Sponsor** **\$5,000**
Logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, event sponsor gift, company information on media all communications, social media mention, and 10 complimentary race registrations.
- Big Hero 6 Sponsor** **\$2,500**
Logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, company information on media all communications, social media mention, and 5 complimentary race registrations.
- The Incredibles Sponsor** **\$1,000**
Logo placement on event shirt and KIDHero5K.org, social media mention, and 2 complimentary race registrations.

Naming Opportunities

(Check all that apply. 100% tax deductible.)

- Gotham Tent City** **\$5,000**
- Smallville Kids Fun Run & Fun Zone** **\$3,500**
- Mile Marker Power-Up! (3 available)** **\$3,000**
- Hydration Stations (2 available)** **\$1,000**
- Champion Parking** **\$1,000**

Underwriting Opportunities (Check all that apply. 100% tax deductible.)

- Event Shirts** **\$6,000**
- Entertainment & Production** **\$5,500**
- Marketing & Promotions** **\$3,200**
- Awards & Prizes** **\$2,500**
- Safety & Security** **\$1,500**

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I want to release my inner superhero to become a KID Hero 5K Sponsor!

Register online:

www.KIDHero5K.org

Contact:

Elsa Blanco-Bridgen

Special Events Manager

ElsaBlancoBridgen@KIDinc.org

954.390.7620

A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free 1.800.453.7352. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state. Kids In Distress registration number is CH-218. Your donation may be tax-deductible under section 501(c)3 of the IRS code.



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RELEASE YOUR INNER SUPERHERO!

Presented by:



Hosted by:



Be a hero! Make #KIDpossible.

ENCOURAGE\$100

Covers a counseling session for a child.

ENLIGHTEN\$150

Supplies one teen child with three holiday gifts.

EDUCATE.....\$250

Assists children with educational support through tutoring sessions.

EQUIP\$500

Provides one day of gap meals for KID aftercare children.

DONATE NOW!

Step 1- Visit: KIDHero5K.org

Step 2- Click Donate or Fundraise at the bottom of the page

Step 3- Click Team Fundraiser

Step 4- Search and Select Friends of The Auxiliary

Step 5- Choose DONATE to make a #KIDpossible!

Or mail your contribution to:

Kids In Distress Auxiliary
Attn: Lisa Schultz
304 Indian Trace, #515
Weston, FL 33326

For questions, contact: Lisa Schultz, Sponsorship Coordinator • 954.257.2283 • lisaschultz717@gmail.com

To learn more about the KID Auxiliary, visit: KIDAUX.org

MEAL DELIVERY

We will continue to provide WEEKLY MEALS to the homes of Ms. Denise, Ms. Glory and Ms. Jennifer (Wilton Manors campus) and Toy and Sarah (Southwest Ranches campus).

Please note these meals can be as simple or elaborate as you like - homemade, take-out, delivered or anywhere in between. They are just grateful to get a night off from cooking or worrying about meal prep!



If you are interested, please contact Michele Lancelot at 817-723-1689 or mblancelot@yahoo.com! Thank you for your help!

The **L VE makes #kidpossible** tennis tournament at Sunrise Tennis Club October 29th was a great success. It turned into a beautiful day of tennis and fundraising for Kids In Distress. We raised almost \$5,000 with registrations, sponsors and awesome raffles. Thank you to new auxiliary members **Gloria Coursey** and **Isabel Casellas** for volunteering their time and efforts with this event. Thank you to the members who donated and showed their L VE. Check out the countless raffle donations @kidpossible_tennis on Instagram We look forward to a bigger and better event next year and keep this event in mind for fun donation raffles.

If you are interested in volunteering with the **KID Hero 5k** on January 29th, please reach out to **Amanda Sheff** 404.219.7419 **WE NEED YOU!!!** More information to come about fundraising details.

DONORS:

Sandy Nori
Ellen Raskin
Jan Tonyan
Lyn Kurpiewski
Sunrise B1 Team
Soon Reaves
Gabe Norona

Volunteers:

Pete Nori
Billy Mac Clement
Michael Sheff
Fabian Rosales
Sophia Casseus
Natalia Casseus
Edward Casseus Jr.









Kinship



As the Kinship activities are on hold due to COVID, Elsa asked us to help with two HIPPY*initiatives (*Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters). So in collaboration with Por Todos Org (a new non profit organization based in Weston that we run), we provided

1. A School Supplies Drive for three weeks in October with a donation box at Savanna Commons Café, Sweet and Savory

2. A Book Drive Friday, November 19th held by Latinos in Action Club at Cypress Bay

In both cases, Community Service Hours were given and we collected almost every supply needed! We plan on doing another of each drive in late January through February.



MEMBERSHIP



Welcome to our newest members!



Dominique Jean-Baptiste

Emilie Abel

Paula Michaelides

Damaris Rattner

Dafna Rapp

Selma Uysal

Noreen Velasco

Amy Aronovitz

Dana Sands

Heather McCabe

Mary Floyd

Maribel Curry

Lina M. Schultz



Happy Birthday to our Members!



December

- 1st Hayen, Mary
- 3rd Laux, Sylvia
- 5th Witte, Barbara
- 6th Urtel, Lynn
- 10th Carcache, Dale
- 11th Brandao, Melina
- 15th Abers, Diane
- 16th Seruga, Terry
- 22nd Michaelson, Susan
- 23rd Herrera, Maria Teresa (Maite)
- 25th Aronovitz, Amy
- 28th Carsello, Vivian
- 29th Quinones, Dalia
- 30th Levine, Marsha



January

- 1st Park, Beth
- 2nd Segaul, Lori
- 9th Cyktor, Sharon
- 14th Plotnick, Sandi
- 16th Gebaide, Rachel
- 23rd Anaipakos, Cynthia Abood
- 23rd Rex, Robin
- 24th Rapp, Dafna
- 25th Sturman, Christine
- 27th Sands, Dana
- 28th Gidman, Denise

If you do not see your birthday on the list, and would like it added for next year, please email Jan Tonyan, ptonyan@bellsouth.net.
It is not in our data base yet.



www.KIDAUX.org

Pay Your Membership Dues
Sign Up For An Event
Look At Our Upcoming Calendar
Read Our Newsletter
And More ...

Auxiliary Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 16th

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Amanda Sheff's Home
2900 W. Stonebrook Circle
Davie, FL 33325
404-219-7419

All members are Welcome!



For more information about the Kids In Distress Auxiliary and upcoming events, go to our website **www.KIDAUX.org**. New members are welcome to join at any time during the year and a membership form can be found on our website. If you have specific questions about membership, please contact Sumitra Marcano at rsmarcano@aol.com or Jan Tonyan at ptonyan@bellsouth.net.

