



*Kids In Distress Auxiliary*    January 2020

# The Kids Advocate

*News and information for our members and supporters.*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### **Saturday, January 25th**

*Hero 5K*

*Vista View Park*

*Davie, FL*

*8:00am*

### **Tuesday, February 11th**

*Auxiliary Board Meeting*

*7:00pm*

### **Tuesday, March 10th**

*General Meeting*

*7:00pm*

### **Saturday, March 28th**

*Duckfest Derby*

*Esplanade Park*

*12:00 to 3:00pm*



## President's Message

*"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intentions." ~~ Oscar Wilde*

Dear Members,  
Happy New Year!

As we gear up for our KID HERO 5K we are expecting a record breaking event! For more information or to sign up please click on the link below.

[http://support.kidinc.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=1261&pg=entry](http://support.kidinc.org/site/TR?fr_id=1261&pg=entry)

Looking forward to seeing you all on January 25th at Vista View Park.

We also continue our special activities & respite visits. The members who consistently give of their time month after month to these programs, I thank you.

Again, our members have been extremely generous with Our Adopt A Family initiative for the holidays. I am in awe how our members go above and beyond no matter what we take on!

Save the date - March 28th is the Duckfest Derby!  
Please come on out to the event! It's a great family FUN day!

I hope everyone's year is off to a great start! Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next KID event!

*Candy Norton*  
Kid Auxiliary President



The KID Auxiliary is proud to celebrate 35 years of championing and supporting the mission of Kids In Distress.

We are calling on all the KID AUXILIARY SUPERHEROES to join us for the KID Hero 5K on January 25<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to have a strong presence at the race with 100+ members, and their families and friends

To **REGISTER** or **DONATE** on KID Auxiliary Team Page:  
<http://support.kidinc.org/goto/KIDAuxiliary>

The KID Auxiliary \$5 off code: **SUPER5** (in all CAPS)



**HEROES WANTED!**

**KID HERO**  
**5K**

Presented by:  
**Ultimate**  
SOFTWARE  
*People first.*

Hosted by:  
**KID**  
AUXILIARY

**Saturday, January 25, 2020**  
**Vista View Park • Davie • 8 a.m.**

**REGISTER NOW! KIDHero5K.org**  
\$30 Adults • \$15 Children (7-17 yrs) through 11.27.19  
\$35 Adults • \$20 Children (7-17 yrs) through 1.24.20  
Children 6 & Under, Free



# 35<sup>th</sup> Year



As you all know, the auxiliary was formed to raise awareness and funds for Kids In Distress, a nationally accredited shelter and family services agency for abused and neglected children here in South Florida. The Auxiliary for KID, is celebrating our 35<sup>th</sup> year in our efforts to support the needs of these children and their families.

Our goal is to raise \$35,000 in addition to our yearly average giving of \$150,000. In our 35 years at Kids In Distress Auxiliary, we have raised over \$6 million dollars and contributed thousands of volunteer hours to this worthy cause. We are committed to raising the funds necessary to support agency programs that include a variety of family services, fostering and adoption programs, dental and vision care, a preschool, and extra activities and enrichment for these young lives.

Let's make it our best year ever for the children of Kids In Distress! In honor of our 35 years of fundraising, please consider making a donation of \$35 - \$350 or more or anything in between to help us reach this worthy goal.

We appreciate your consideration of a donation and so do the children!



# *Special Activities*

**Today we continued working with naming our emotions.**

The kids saw a short interactive video and played a fun game that required the identification and naming of different emotions

We helped them build a five color "spider web" with yarn, to show them how the individual emotions determine the dynamics of a group.

We focused the end of the session on learning how to deal with sadness. They were great in communicating ways to do that within themselves and when helping friends to deal with being sad.

What a wonderful morning!

Sohara y Mayte

Special activities team



# ***Kids Helping KID***

KHK stands for Kids Helping Kids In Distress. We are a group of teenagers that help raise awareness for KID through the Auxiliary that our moms are part of.

We just had two holiday events that were very successful. One was the annual Santa's Spectacular at the agency where we had a Santa workshop with different art stations, a cookie decorating table, face painting and coloring area. The KHK members also played and danced with the kids outside and visited Santa and Mrs. Clause with them.

The second event was at the Southwest Ranches foster homes where we had a pizza party and brought Christmas gifts for all the children, played outside, decorated rice krispie treats along with cookies that we baked with them. We made sure all the kids had a great time and were happy...and they were!

The KHK team is now preparing for our next event, the Hero 5K, on January 25th. Everyone is excited and looking forward to helping out and being part of this awesome event.

Sincerely,  
Amanda Dilson and Julia Karren  
(KHK members)



Below is the calendar for the rest of this year:

## **January**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> KID Auxiliary Hero 5K Event- Vista View Park

## **February**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> KHK Meeting #6 - 4:00 pm - Wolf Home

## **March**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> KID Agency - Duckfest tagging- 10am- Deerfield Beach

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> KHK Meeting #7 - 4:00 pm - Hertzbach Home

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> KID Agency - Duckfest Derby Event - 12-3:00 pm - Ft Lauderdale

## **April**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> KHK Spring Playdate - 10:00 am - KID, Wilton Manors

## **May**

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> KHK End of Year Celebration / Meeting Location TBD

# ***KINSHIP***

On October 26th, we visited **Frost Museum of Science** in Miami Downtown. Kids from 5 to 18 participated in the Field Trip. We had the opportunity to see the different marvelous marine life exhibits, touch tank stingrays and see seashore habitats filled with birds and mangroves among others.

The kids also experimented with different types of energy and sand-light illusions and we all attended a special show at the planetarium. After the visit, we all shared lunch at the Museum Cafeteria and then returned home.

Thanks to all the Auxiliary members who help making this possible.  
Valeria Baluk / Maria Soledad Laino  
(Auxiliary Kinship Committee)

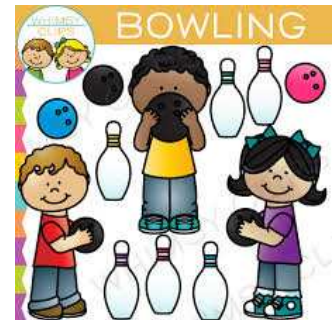


## ***Kinship Christmas Family Bowling Fest***

We had a terrific time bowling with Kinship Families; grandmas, aunts, uncles and all the rest of the caretakers together with all the kids and volunteers enjoyed the perfect event where we not only shared an activity but also got to know each other better.

All 11 families, 47 people registered for the event, received a big Christmas Tote bag with gifts, games, toys, food, candies, fuzzy socks and other treats. We played while chatting and sharing together a meal. It was a wonderful experience and we are deeply thankful for all the auxiliary support.

God Bless you all. Have a wonderful 2020.  
Valeria and Soledad.  
Kinship Committee Chair.



# **MEMBERSHIP**



*Welcome to our newest members!*



Nathalia Abramson



Claudia Casto



Christina Chiliberti

Megan Mathewson





# Happy Birthday to our Members!



## January

1st Park, Beth  
2nd Kusher, Caron  
2nd Seagaul, Lori  
3rd Bertello, Sandra  
9th Cyktor, Sharon  
10th Recher, Ursula  
12th Soto, Milagros  
14th Plotnick, Sandi  
16th Gebaide, Rachel  
23rd Rex, Robin  
25th Sturman, Christine  
28th Gidman, Denise

## February

2nd Sirotich, Graciela  
3rd Meador, Dotti  
3rd Lopez, Debbie  
4th Burke, Yanilynn  
6th Lancelot, Michele  
6th Ochoa, Maria  
7th Zoley, Donna  
9th Harthausen, Donna  
17th Patullo, Linda

## March

1st Methven, Kathie  
9th Norton, Candy  
9th Pico Aguirre, Silvina  
10th Goldstein, Karen  
12th Marcet, Lisa  
16th Rutmann, Daniela  
18th Jarvis, Suzanne  
20th Amer, Sophie  
22nd Ballotta, Mary Ellen  
26th Michaelides, Lynn  
30th Osman, Lois  
31st Grosso, Paula



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](mailto:ptonyan@bellsouth.net).  
It is not in our data base yet.



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[www.kidaux.org](http://www.kidaux.org)

*pay membership dues, event calendar, newsletter and more*

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## Auxiliary Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 11th

Time: 7:00pm

Location: TBA

All members are Welcome!



If you are interested in sponsoring the KID AUX newsletter, please email Denise Gidman at [dmgidman@aol.com](mailto:dmgidman@aol.com). It is \$50 for members and \$100 for non-members.

For more information about the Kids In Distress Auxiliary and upcoming events, go to our website **[www.KIDAUX.org](http://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 Dalia Quinones at [daliaqz@gmail.com](mailto:daliaqz@gmail.com) or Jan Tonyan at [ptonyan@bellsouth.net](mailto:ptonyan@bellsouth.net).



*Auxiliary*

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