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Family Resource Center Newsletter

FAMILY MATTERS: NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.



25TH STRIKE AGAINST CHILD ABUSE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Our 25th Annual Strike Against Child Abuse Bowling Tournament was on October 1, 2022 at Bird Bowl. We would like to thank everyone who attended the event and for constantly supporting our agency. Family Resource Center would especially like to thank all of our sponsors: Avila Rodriguez Hernandez Mena & Garro, Citrus Family Care Network, Espiga Health, Gables Insurance Agency, Marcum, Sapoznik, Peter Tracy and Mitchell Stern. We had over 300 guests in attendance who enjoyed a day of friendly competition. All lanes were sold out and completely occupied. Congratulations to the three top scoring teams, Miami Dade Fire Department, Bilzin Sumberg and Yard House. We hope that everyone had a fantastic time and got to go home with at least a gift card or a silent auction items(s). Thank you again and see everyone next year!



Thank you Branches for providing and delivering 200 meals to our families homes on Thanksgiving Day. Our families were able to eat warm prepared meals with their loved ones.



THANK YOU FOR ALL
OF OUR SUPPORTERS
WHO DONATED ON
GIVE MIAMI DAY!



Chairman: Frandley DeFilie

Board Retreat- Took place on Saturday, January 28 at Fleming's Prime Steakhouse in Coral Gables. Officer Elections took place. Congrats to our new Chairman, Frandley DeFilie, our Vice-Chair, Kai Jacobs, our Secretary, Mac Dery and our Treasurer, Danny Rivera.



Paul Palank Memorial Foundation -
\$25,000 for Healthy Foster Kids



Toy Drive 2022



Thank you so much to all of our sponsors this year for supporting our agency by sponsoring a child(ren), hosting a toy drive, donating gift cards to our teenagers, purchasing gifts through our Amazon wish list, posting about our drive, etc. You definitely made a difference in at least one of the children's lives this year during the holidays. Thank you for putting a smile on their faces.

Thank you to all the donors that donated to Citrus for our foster children. Thank you for supporting ALL of the children every single year. You always make sure every child in foster care gets a special gift. THANK YOU!

We hope you all had a safe and wonderful holiday with your loved ones!



Upcoming Events



Email Melissa Vera at mvera@frcflorida.org if you're interested in becoming one of our wonderful Board of Directors.



April- Child Abuse Awareness Month

National Child Abuse Prevention Month recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to strengthen families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Pinwheel Ceremony- Tuesday, April 4th, 2023 at 11:00AM

The blue pinwheel, representing innocence is a national symbol for child abuse prevention. Pinwheels reflect the bright future all children deserve.

Happy Hour- Friday, April 14th, 2023 (Location TBD)



VIP Access- Friday, April 21, 2023 (7:00- 9:00PM)- ONLY a few spots - ARTISTS: Sergey Gordienko and Vivian Estalella!

TICKET SPECIAL for SATURDAY (FEBRUARY ONLY)- 2 tickets will be only \$125 or 1 ticket for \$65! (VALUE \$80/ticket) Use codes 'LOVE' for two tickets and 'FEBLOVE' for one ticket.

**Code to be used only for Saturday's admission.

Upcoming Events

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'PAINT WITH AN ARTIST'

PARADISE PLAZA - FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023
7:00-9:00PM

VIP ACCESS - ONLY 30 SPOTS AVAILABLE

BE THE FIRST 30 GUESTS TO HAVE PRE-ACCESS TO PURCHASE ART (BUY NOW OPTION), PAINT LIVE WITH AN ARTIST(S) (TAKE HOME YOUR OWN PAINTED CANVAS) WHILE HAVING COMPLIMENTARY DRINKS AND HORS D'OEUVRES.

PRICING:

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ADMISSION- \$100
FRIDAY ADMISSION ONLY- \$50
SATURDAY ADMISSION ONLY- \$80



SAVE THE DATE

art from the heart

An incredible opportunity to view and purchase artwork from world renowned artists and talented emerging artists. This exciting event will take place at the:

Paradise Plaza

In the Miami Design District
On

Saturday, April 22, 2023

6:00PM-9:00PM

\$80 per ticket

Tickets can be purchased at: <https://one.bidpal.net/artfromtheheart2023>

Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served



All proceeds will go towards building a better tomorrow for children healing from abuse, neglect and abandonment.

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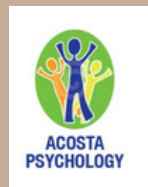
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