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Thank you for your invaluable support, which has made it possible for your Florida Kiwanis Foundation to serve as a vital partner of Florida Kiwanis Clubs, helping Florida's children in need.

Because of your incredible generosity, your Florida Kiwanis Foundation assisted thousands of children and families across the state. We have supported a wide range of initiatives and programs, including early literacy development tools, the provision of hygiene essentials, weekend food for children, duffle bags for homeless children, inclusive playground equipment, leadership training, onsite play experiences, new mother assistance, science education, and much more, all led by Florida Kiwanis Clubs.

Your Florida Kiwanis Foundation has also collaborated with statewide Kiwanis and child-focused organization leaders to host monthly early childhood education workshops, offer youth leadership development sessions, coloring contests, and community events.

We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support, **which continues to make a significant impact on the lives of Florida's children.** Thank you again for helping us create a brighter future for our youth.

\$237,500+

towards Florida children

201

Florida young people with disabilities positively impacted with service and leadership opportunities

90%

of Florida Kiwanis Clubs contribute to FKF

788

children under 5 assisted through the Wil and Rachel Blechman fund

2

new scholarship programs established

7,500

children benefited from mini grants

36%

of Florida Kiwanis Clubs received FKF grants

20 students received scholarships

56

mini grants awarded

70%

Florida Kiwanis Divisions supported by FKF grants

\$32,000

awarded scholarships

A LIFELINE OF HOPE FOR GENERATIONS OF LEADERS

Your FKF has and continues to create a lasting legacy for Florida's children. This year was another year that helped carve and strengthen the road for the future. We look forward to a new sponsorship program and events as opportunities to connect with our membership, celebrate, and create more awareness and supporters. Let's work together to make this an even better year, providing more for Florida's children.

- Jim Wylie, FKF President



"I remain grateful for the opportunity to serve through the Florida Kiwanis Foundation. Each year, we partner with an increasing number of Kiwanis Clubs to identify and financially support new initiatives that benefit children. Looking ahead, we are excited to collaborate with Florida businesses to create even greater opportunities and expand our positive impact on children's lives. Let's continue to make significant strides forward, aiming for another great year. Let's have a BIGGER 2025. Remember what Winston Churchill said, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give".- Arlene Lewis-Marr, Past FKF President

"This year we have reached more families than ever, and we remain grateful for all the support that makes these efforts possible. We are humbled to share that, with the help of Kiwanis Clubs, volunteers, donors, and board members, we have been supported by 90% of Florida Kiwanis Clubs and have provided grants to over 36% of them. It is because of your ongoing commitment and generosity that we can continue to help more children and address new needs of children and families. Thank you for your trust and support. We look forward to an even bigger year, helping more of Florida's children and families." - Alison Lauer, Executive Director

"As a high school senior, I was awarded a scholarship by a Kiwanis Club, which profoundly impacted my future. Now, as an adult, I have the privilege of serving in leadership roles within Kiwanis and the Florida Kiwanis Foundation. My goal has and continues to be that more high school students have the same opportunities that so positively influenced my life. I am utterly grateful for the financial support I received and the doors it opened for me."

- Winnie, Past FKF President

"We were proud to partner with the Boys and Girls Club to ensure that more children received proper meals during the summer months. It was an honor to collaborate with such outstanding organizations as FKF and the Boys and Girls Club." - Jan, Kiwanis Member

"Kiwanis offers an exceptional student leadership program that starts in elementary school and continues to provide opportunities for community service and leadership development through the college level. Support by FKF is essential to the continued growth and investment of the children!"

- Gwen, FKF Board Secretary

"We are eternally grateful to the Florida Kiwanis Foundation for its continued support, which has helped make Perdido Kids Park the most-used playground in Escambia County, as mentioned by Michael Rhodes, the County Superintendent of Parks and Recreation. With a new subdivision built next to the park, children flock to it daily."

- Daiye, FKF Member

"Our Aktion Club members (young persons with disabilities) thoroughly enjoyed shopping online for supplies and seeing the items delivered to our office. They loaded everything and went to the school to deliver them, relishing the chance to interact with the school staff and teachers."

- Paula, Kiwanis Member



IMPACT STORIES



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We look forward to
another great year.

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