

# KIDS HOUSE

WHERE HOPE AND HEALING BEGINS



## KIDS HOUSE SPOTLIGHT

### GIRL SCOUT COOKIE DONATION

Kids House would like to thank the Puccio family for generously donating 200 boxes of Girl Scout cookies for the families we serve! The joy on the children's faces when they can pick out their own box of cookies radiates. Thank you for providing this joy to our clients for the last 17 years! The children and we at Kids House appreciate your support!

### KIDS HOUSE VALENTINE BRUNCH

Kids House celebrated Valentine's day internally with a staff Brunch! Several staff members brought in something to share or made a dish. It was a great way for our staff to get together and enjoy a meal. Even with the pandemic still around, it's important to always make time for staff bonding to keep morale.

### PARTNERSHIP WITH CPS

At Kids House, we work alongside law enforcement and Child Protective Services to ensure the safety of the children in our community. When abuse is reported, a Child Protective Investigator is assigned, and it is their job to determine the protective, treatment, and improved services necessary for the child's safety and wellbeing. Through our partnership, the Child Protective Investigator can contact Kids House so that the abused children tell their story ONCE to a trained interviewer who knows the right questions to ask to not re-traumatize the child while finding the facts crucial to the child's case. Together along with Law Enforcement, it is then decided how to help the child based on the interview. We rally together to ensure the children have everything they need under one roof.



## PARENTS CORNER

### TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH

Talking about mental health can be tricky for adolescents. Some of the best books for teens and pre-teens that talk about mental health illustrate characters working through mental health challenges and can help them feel less alone as they see a character is dealing with the same issues. Reading a story and then talking about what happened can help open the mind and conversation about how to better Mental Health.

### TEEN DATING

Dating violence is more common than people think, especially among teens & young adults. One in three teens in the U.S. will experience physical, sexual, or emotional abuse by someone they are in a relationship with before they become adults. Help bring awareness by being a part of the discussion and talking with your teens about forging healthy relationships.

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Enjoy the day with some fun clover crafts! An activity you could do is make your own clover made out of one green pipe cleaner and add beads to make it unique. Don't forget to make a leprechaun out of construction paper, orange pom-poms, and a toilet paper roll. You can even make delicious snacks to enjoy while you craft! Melt and dye some white chocolate green, then drizzle in the center of some pretzels to make clovers! You can also make festive St. Patrick's Day muddy buddies! Dye half of some Chex mix with green food coloring and mix with some original along with some lucky charms marshmallows! A snack every leprechaun will love.



## GET INVOLVED

### SUPPORT FAITH'S GARDEN

Honor a child whose life was tragically ended due to child abuse or neglect with a Memory Stone in Faith's Garden at Kids House. The first level is the Honored Supporter, a donation of \$50 which funds a 4x8 Memory stone engraved with your name or company name and placed in Faith's Garden. The second level is the Honored Child which with a donation of \$100 funds an 8x8 memory stone that honors a child who died due to abuse or neglect. With the Honored child, the stone is engraved with the child's first name and age along with the name of the donor. Learn more about Faith's Garden and how it started at the link below.

[www.kidshouse.org/faiths-garden](http://www.kidshouse.org/faiths-garden)

### MONETARY DONATIONS

As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, Kids House relies on our donors' kindness and dedication to further our efforts to prevent and treat child abuse. We accept cash, credit, and checks as forms of payment.

[www.kidshouse.org/donate](http://www.kidshouse.org/donate)

### SHARING SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Help bring awareness to child abuse and neglect through social media. Every like, comment, repost, share, mention, and tag helps spread the word on what Kids House does and how we help our children. Be sure to follow us on all social media.

 [kidshousecac](https://www.instagram.com/kidshousecac)
 [@KidsHouseCAC](https://twitter.com/KidsHouseCAC)  
 [KidsHouseCAC](https://www.facebook.com/KidsHouseCAC)
 [kidshousecac](https://www.linkedin.com/company/kidshousecac)

## -NOTEWORTHY NEWS-

### EVENTS

**BlackJack Sporting Clay Shoot**  
Beneficiary Event-

Friday, April 22, 2022 at 7am-1:30pm

**Kids-N-Cops Fishin' Derby Beneficiary Event**  
located at Secret Lake Park

April 9, 2022 from 7am-2pm

### WELCOME!

We'd like to introduce our  
new staff members:

**Morgan Lewis** - Development Director

**Stacy Boothe** - CPT Case Coordinator

### KIDS HOUSE ANNIVERSARIES

**Amber Wood** -

1 year of service