

Kinship Pinellas-Largo January 2024 Newsletter

Edited by Debra Young



Happy New Years Family and Friends! A new year, a new beginning! I hope this year started off with a bang! We hope you enjoyed all of the holiday festivities we had for you and of course the ones you created with your families. We are so blessed to have the opportunity to ring in another year!

We would like to say "Thank You" to our donors who continue to be so gracious in supporting our families during the holiday season. There is no way to fully express our gratitude for their continued loyalty. We are grateful and inspired by the dedication and generosity of donors like you, who answer the call to give again and again. CHEERS TO 2024!

Your Kinship Team

KINSHIP PINELLAS MAIN OFFICE

2200 Tall Pines Drive Suite #120 Largo, FL 33771 **Phone: 727-785-2762** https://www.childrenshomenetworkwork.org

Program Manager: Brenda "Annette" Royal
Program Supervisor: Carmela Beasley

Support Group Assistants: Renae Carnegie & Debra Young

January 2024

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Contact Information for Support Groups:
dyoung@childrenshomenetwork.org ~ 813-860-9375
rcarnegie@childrenshomenetwork.org~ 813-860-9135
Kinship will pay \$7 towards each caregiver's lunch.
Please RSVP 48 hours prior to meeting



MEET THE PINELLAS KINSHIP-LARGO STAFF

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Holiday Celebration















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Kinship Spotlight

What we do BEST!!!

Kinship Pinellas Largo at work!



A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL PUBLIX DONORS
FOR PROVING KINSHIP CHILDREN WITH CHRISTMAS GIFTS!!!!

Family Fun Activities

Make Your Vision Board For 2024

Material Needed:

Poster board, magazines, scissors, glue sticks, paper, pen, sharpies or other permanent markers, computer images, old books and art work.

- 1. Create a list of goals you'd like to achieve in the next year.
- 2. Collect a bundle of old magazines with beautiful picture
- 3. Find pictures that represent your goals and inspire you
- 4. Make a collage out of your photo's



Touch –a-Truck &
Stem Fest
101 Central Park Drive
Largo, FL
January 20th 2024
10:00 am –2:00 pm



Climb, explore and talk to local community helpers who will be on-site with their trucks, cars, boats, etc. This annual family friendly event is fun for all ages.

Science Rocks!

January 4th 2024 10:30-11:30 AM Moccasin Lake Nature Park 2750 Park Trail Lane Clearwater, FL 33759

FREE



This free event at Moccasin Lake Nature Park is hosted by the Clearwater Community Women's Club, and it covers a range of science topics through hands-on activities, discussion and crafts. Registration is required by emailing: ScienceRocksMoccasin@gmail.com.

Plays in the Park

Friday, January 12th 2024 Coachman Park 300 Cleveland Street Clearwater, FL 33755



Participate in a theatrical picnic! Clearwater library will be reading an act of a famous play aloud as a group, with parts randomly assigned! No acting experience is required. Please bring a picnic blanket, towel, etc.; we'll be meeting in the first-floor Main Library lobby and from there, we'll head to a nice spot in the park (weather permitting).

Community Resources



Kinship is Ready to Serve You

We provide free services to any relative or non-relative caring full-time for children 0 –17. Our staff works with each family individually to link them to community resources they need such as:

- **♦** Legal Services Referral
- **♦** Counseling/Therapy Referral
- **♦** Food stamps & Cash Assistance
- Bus Passes
- Support Groups
- ♦ Respite Referral
- Family Fun Activities
- **♦** Community Resources
- **♦** Tutoring

Please call our Kinship Services Intake: 727-785-2762

Gulfcoast Legal Services (727) 821-0726 www.gulfcoastlegal.org

If you are over 55, a Relative Caregiver, or a Grandparent and need legal assistance, advice, or representation. We Can Help!

Apply by Phone: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. excluding holidays or Online: 24 hours a day



Bay Area Legal Services

If you are a relative caregiver in Pinellas or Pasco County and currently participating in Kinship Services, you can receive a legal referral to BALS. Bay Area Legal Services can provide legal advice/or brief consultation for NO Cost. Ask your Family Support Coordinator or Navigator. For more information: 727-490-4040 or 800-625-2257 www.bals.org



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KEEPING KIDS HEALTHY ~ ONE CHILD AT A TIME Florida Department of Health In Pinellas County

DOH- Pinellas provides immunizations at no cost for babies, children and young people through the age of 18. Schedule immunizations at your child's health provider's office or visit any Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County

(DOH-Pinellas) Health Departments listed below:

Clearwater: 310 N. Myrtle Ave. 727-469-5800

Mid-County: 8751 Ulmerton Rd., Largo, 727-524-4410

Pinellas Park: 6350 76th Ave. N. 727-547-7780

St. Petersburg: 205 Dr. MLK Jr. St., N. 727-824-6900

"Free" walk in clinics – (first come, first serve) Dental Referrals available and walk-ins welcome at all clinics

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call: 727.524.4410 x 7666

FL Dept. of Health\ in Pinellas County 727-824-6900 24hrs/day





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Our Vision: Children's Home Network will be a recognized leader in innovative programs and services in the field of child and family well-being, and as an exemplary model for the governance, management and operation of non-profit entities.

Our Mission: We unlock the potential of at-risk children and families by providing compassionate and effective services that create opportunities for success.

Our Values: The values honored by the Children's Home Network help to form our thoughts and guide our decisions and conduct in delivering our mission.

Our interactions are based upon **Respect** and Dignity. We strive for Excellence in all that we do.

People can **Trust** in our word and abilities. We conduct our work with **Compassion and** Understanding.

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Kinship Program funded by:



Investing In Children. Strengthening Our Community"

The Juvenile Welfare Board invests in partnerships, innovation and advocacy to strengthen Pinellas County Children and Families. Please visit: jwbpinellas.org Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County, 14155 58th St. N., Clearwater, FL 33760