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Thank you for your heartfelt support and generosity in the name of **Hope, Homes, and Healing** for kids in crisis. Your partnership makes all the difference as we serve children in foster care and families in crisis in Southwest Florida. In this newsletter, be inspired by other 4KIDS partners like you who **invested time and resources** to transform lives this past quarter!



Church Partner Spotlight: Life Church

This quarter, we want to spotlight **Life Church in Fort Myers**, a truly remarkable partner in our mission. Life Church was one of the first to join us as a 4KIDS partner when we expanded to Southwest Florida three years ago. From the very beginning, they have shown incredible support, inviting us each year to do a church presentation. Through these presentations, we've been fortunate to license one foster family from Life Church, which has been a huge win for children and families in need.

Beyond their involvement with 4KIDS foster parent recruitment, Life Church has also fully embraced CarePortal. They've quickly risen to become one of the top CarePortal churches in our region, making a significant impact on the lives of children and families who we are trying to keep out of the foster care system. Rick and Kathy Lansbury serve as the dedicated CarePortal Coordinators and even though Rick is a retired pastor, his passion for ministry is far from retired. From the very first church presentation, Rick and Kathy approached with a strong desire to get involved with CarePortal, and since then, they've been nothing short of superheroes in our community.

Life Church has gone above and beyond, fulfilling 13 CarePortal requests, directly serving 23 children and 14 adults. Their efforts have had an incredible economic impact, totaling \$9,336. Their dedication to supporting families in need and their ongoing commitment to making a difference is inspiring. Life Church continues to be a beacon of hope and service in our community, and we are grateful for their partnership.

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Church Partners: Connect With Us

To see how your congregation can get more involved with 4KIDS, please contact Scott Anderson, Church Relations Coordinator, at 239-299-6282 or ScottA@4KIDS.us. We'll help you find a way to partner with us that works best for your church's goals!



Business Partner Spotlight: Cyndie Witthuhn and Advanced Aesthetic Solutions

We are incredibly grateful for the generous support of our Business Partners who helped bring our recent Galentine's Ladies Lunch to life! One of the standout sponsors this year was **Advanced Aesthetic Solutions, owned by Cyndie Witthuhn**. Cyndie and her team went above and beyond to ensure the success of this event. Not only did they serve as event sponsors, but they also generously sponsored over 10 foster moms, giving them the opportunity to attend and enjoy the celebration. Additionally, they contributed an amazing raffle item from their upscale MedSpa, which helped raise funds for a cause that's close to all of our hearts.

Cyndie shares, "I have been an active supporter since 2022, when 4KIDS expanded to Southwest Florida. Their mission of 'A Home For Every Child,' and the effort to keep siblings together through foster services, is something that's deeply personal to me. Under the leadership of Executive Director Rick Jacobs, the local office has flourished in placing children and teens in crisis into loving foster homes across Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Glades, and Hendry counties. I encourage everyone to support this worthy and deserving organization."

As we look forward to another year of making a positive impact in the lives of children in Southwest Florida, we are excited to continue partnering with incredible organizations and individuals like Advanced Aesthetic Solutions. Your support is invaluable, and together, we can help create brighter futures for foster children in foster care.

Business Partners: Connect With Us

To see how your business can get more involved with 4KIDS, please contact Karole Davis, Partner Engagement Officer, at 239.406.9577 or KaroleD@4KIDS.us. We'll help you find a way to partner with us that works best for your company and mission!

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We are truly humbled to be selected as a Finalist for Nonprofit of the Year by SWFL Inc., a regional Chamber of Commerce serving businesses in Lee, Collier and Charlotte Counties. Winners will be revealed at the 2025 INCredible Awards on May 13th. This recognition is a huge honor, and we couldn't have achieved it without the amazing support of our team, partners, volunteers, and YOU — our amazing #SWFL community! Your unwavering belief in our mission to serve children in foster care and families in crisis with compassion and faith keeps us going every single day.



Last quarter, you helped change lives and bring joy to children and families in crisis. **Take a look** at the impact YOU made in January, February, and March across Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Glades & Hendry counties.

HOPE

HOMES

HEALING

112

24

394

Kids were impacted through CarePortal

Kids were served through foster care

Hours of therapy were provided to kids and adults



SEE WHAT'S NEXT.

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Take a look at what we have coming up!







Make A Lasting Gift:

Smarter Giving: Estate & Legacy Planning Webinar - Tuesday, April 29 at Noon or 7 p.m.

Make a transformational gift that protects your family and creates more *Hope, Homes, and Healing* through 4KIDS. Design your first estate plan or update your existing one with our trusted partner Financial Planning Ministry (FPM) to leave a lasting legacy. When you include a legacy gift to 4KIDS of any amount, your confidential, customized, and comprehensive plan is designed at **no cost to you**. Sign up for the next one-hour webinar to see just how simple this process can be!

Register Now



Get Involved:

National Foster Care Month - May

May is widely recognized across the U.S. as National Foster Care Month. Since 1997, **4KIDS** has been on a mission to transform the foster care system and bring *Hope, Homes, and Healing* to children and families experiencing foster care. During the month of May, there are so many ways you can stand in advocacy and action this month on behalf of our community's kids. Click the button below to learn more.

Get Involved This National Foster Care Month

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You're Invited:

Topgolf "Fore" 4KIDS - Saturday, June 7

4KIDS Southwest Florida is hosting an inaugural golf tournament at Fort Myer's premier entertainment destination, Topgolf! Attendees can "tee off" for a great cause and purchase tickets now to spectate, play individually, or secure an entire bay for their team. With three hours of unlimited play, a buffet lunch, and exciting raffle prizes, Topgolf "Fore" 4KIDS doubles as both an exciting charitable event, and a perfect family outing or employee team-building activity too. Click the button below to register to play or join us as a sponsorship.

Tickets and Sponsorships





