

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

***Chartered: June 20, 1973***



# Welcome from the Kiwaniis Club of Delray Beach

***“Serving the Children  
of the World”***

**In Delray Beach, Florida**



# This Is Kiwanis

Founded in 1915, Kiwanis International is a global community of clubs, members and partners dedicated to improving the lives of children one community at a time.

Today, we stand with more than 450,000 members from K-Kids to Key Club to Kiwanis and many ages in between in 80 countries and geographic areas. Each community has different needs, and Kiwanis empowers members to pursue creative ways to serve the needs of children, such as fighting hunger, improving literacy and offering guidance.

Kiwanis clubs host nearly 150,000 service projects each year. “*Serving the Children of the World.*”

The organization’s International Office is in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.



# Kiwanis International



**Purpose:** To improve the quality of life for children and families worldwide.

**Mission:** Kiwanis helps kids around the world. Local clubs look out for our communities and the international organization takes on large-scale challenges, such as fighting disease and poverty.

**Vision:** Kiwanis will be a positive influence in communities worldwide — so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive.

## Defining Statement:

*Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time*

# Kiwanis International (Con't)



**Commitment:** Kiwanis International believes that opportunity and dignity are essential to making the Kiwanis experience as fulfilling as possible for members, partners and others in the communities where we serve. Kiwanis has a continuing commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. By working together, members achieve what one person cannot accomplish alone.



**Impact:** We are creative with our ideas. Whether rolling up our sleeves or opening our wallets, Kiwanians make transformative changes in communities around the world. On average, members of the Kiwanis family host approximately 150,000 service projects and complete more than 19 million service hours a year. Every year, our clubs raise more than US\$100 million to support community causes — in addition to supporting the Kiwanis Children's Fund.

# Objects of Kiwanis

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- To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
  - To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
  - To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
  - To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
  - To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
  - To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

# Worldwide Service Focus

- **Young Children: Priority One** is a program supported by Kiwanis International and thousands of clubs worldwide. It focuses on maternal and child health, child care and development, parent education and support, and safety and pediatric trauma.
- The **Worldwide Service Project** in 1995 was Kiwanis-family initiative in partnership with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to virtually eliminate the world's leading cause of preventable mental retardation, iodine deficiency disorders (IDD).
- Our most recent **Worldwide Service Project** is The Eliminate Project, where Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus, raising US\$110 million and save or protect 55 million lives.



# Organization Structure

**Kiwanis International** is the worldwide organization to which each Kiwanis club and member belongs; and now comprises over 550,000 members — men, women, boys and girls — worldwide.

It is administered by the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees.

Each club is clustered together with clubs in the area to form a division.

Our Club operates in Division 21  
of the **Florida District**

Our **District** is 1 of 49 districts  
in Kiwanis International.

Our **Division** is one of 26 divisions in the district.

Our **Club** is one of 6 clubs in our division.



# Our **FLORIDA** District

Number of  
Divisions: **27**

Total Clubs: **240**

Number of  
Kiwanians: **7,500+**



# Kiwanis®

Florida District  
Chartered in 1918

## 2025-2025 District Officers include:

Governor: Tommy Mills

Governor-elect: Linda Skaathun

District Secretary: James Lewis



Visit: [floridakiwanis.com](http://floridakiwanis.com) for more information

# Who Do We Help?

## **School Children**

We built a Reading Oasis at Orchard View Elementary, providing books and a safe place to read.

## **Scholarships**

We offer scholarships to high school students and have created a foundation to assist in this effort.

## **School Clubs**

We sponsor two Key Clubs and Builders Clubs to foster community outreach at the middle and high school levels.



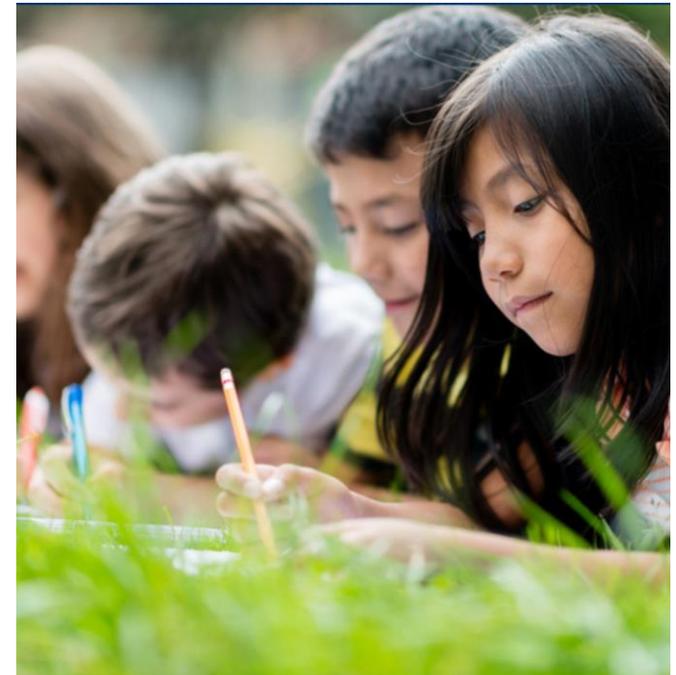
# Who Do We Help?

## Various other Childrens Programs

We provide books and supplies to Elementary schools, collections for the Children's Miracle Network, Easter Egg hunts and many other activities that benefit the kids.

## Florida & International Kiwanis Foundations, and Children's Fund

The function and goal of the Kiwanis Foundations is to establish permanency, through contributions and donations, that will assure our youth leadership and development programs will continue without interruption. Promoting high moral, ethical and spiritual leadership examples to our youth is the key to this country's overall success.



# Who Do We Help?

## **AVDA**

Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse. Each month our Treasurer gives us a check for \$125.00 to shop for groceries for the AVDA shelter. This includes such items as milk, eggs, juice, cold cuts, fresh fruits and vegetables. Our Club has also bought the shelter a replacement refrigerator and freezer and a microwave oven. Through our Club's Thanksgiving Committee we provide turkey dinners for those in residence for Thanksgiving Day.

## **Terrific Kids Reward Program**

Each grading period, we provide awards and bumper stickers to the children at Orchard View Elementary for reaching goals assigned by their teachers. The number of students impacted by this program reach over 100 students each grading period.



# Who Do We Help?

## Fall & Spring Police Appreciation Awards

The Delray Beach Kiwanis recognizes the achievements of the officers and employees of the Delray Beach Police Department. Each recipient receives recognition, a framed certificate of appreciation and their name goes on a plaque at the police station.

## Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a special time of year and each year we deliver approximately 350 Thanksgiving meals to families in need in our area. The turkeys and the mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, and vegetables are enjoyed by all of our recipients and it makes us feel that we are giving back to families in need.



**..... And Many Other Programs as the need arises.**

# Membership Benefits

- **Friends.** You are going to make new friends.
- **Fun.** Kiwanians make a huge difference in our communities, and we have fun doing it.
- **Fellowship.** Kiwanians care about each other.
- **Service.** Identifying community needs and working with others to meet them.
- **Networking.** Kiwanians like to do business with fellow Kiwanians.
- **Information.** You are going to be better informed due to the speakers we have each week.
- **Smiles.** The most important thing is the smile on the face of a child, and without you and your Kiwanis Club, that smile would not be there.



**MAKE SOMEONE  
SMILE TODAY.**

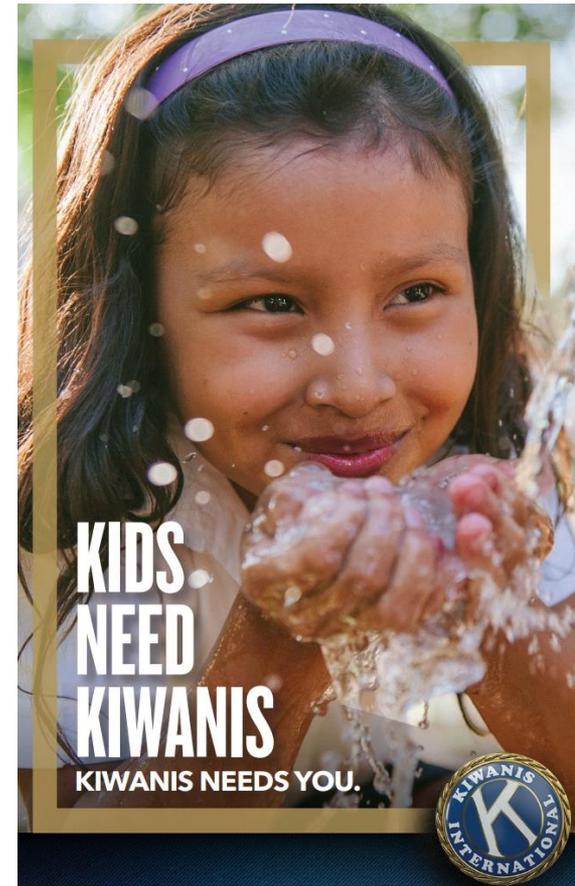
# Expectations of Members



- Attend club meetings regularly
- Participate in club service and fund-raising projects
- Share the experience with others
- Be proud of your membership
- Encourage others to join

# Our Club Meetings

- Regular Meetings:  
Every Wednesday at 7:30 am
- Meeting Place:  
American Legion Hall  
263 NE 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Delray Beach, Fl.



[www.Delraybeachkiwanis.org](http://www.Delraybeachkiwanis.org)

# Our Club Officers *2025/2026*

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**President:** Diane Colonna

**President Pro-Tem:**  
Rotating President of the month. Everyone gets a chance to run our meetings.

**Secretary:** Jay Alperin

**Treasurer:** Bill Morse



# A Typical Club Meeting

- Have a lot of FUN!
- Educates the club on a variety of subjects
- Promotes fellowship among members
- Status Updates on current Service Projects
- Provides a break from schedules
- Broadens circle of business contacts and/or social friends

You can recommend a speaker !!!

***Meal cost is \$15***



# Club Administration

## Our club membership votes on:

- Election of club officers and directors
- Amendments to club bylaws

## The Board of Directors

- Determines club policies
- Approves club projects
- Approves and controls club budget
- Manages the club



# Communications



- Club Meetings
- Club Newsletters – [The Sunriser](#)
- Board Meetings
- District Newsletters
- KIWANIS Magazine
- Facebook
- Kiwanis Web sites
  - [www.Kiwanis.org](http://www.Kiwanis.org)
  - [www.Floridakiwanis.org](http://www.Floridakiwanis.org)
  - [delraybeachkiwanis.org](http://delraybeachkiwanis.org)

# Club Committees



- Community Services
- Service Leadership Programs
- Young Children: Priority One
- Youth Services
- Club Meetings
- Club Administration
- Membership Growth and Education
- Public Relations
- Finance and Fundraising
- Fun Committee

# Service Leadership Clubs

- **Enriching young students:**

- K-Kids
- Terrific Kids



- **Empowering teens:**

- Builders Club
- Key Club International
- Key Leader

- **Equipping Adults for Leadership:**

- Circle K International
- Aktion Club

*Our club sponsors two Kiwanis Key Clubs and Builders Clubs at American Heritage School & Atlantic High School in Delray Beach*

# Conventions and Conferences

**International CONVENTION**  
**Manilla, Phillipines**  
**June 24-27, 2026**

**2026 Kiwanis District  
Convention**

**July 30-August 2, 2026**  
**Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld,**  
**Orlando, Fl**

The **Annual Kiwanis International Convention** is an excellent event, which allows clubs from around the world to exchange ideas, participate in forums, and share fellowship.

The **(Florida) District Convention** is the kickoff for the new Kiwanis year, which runs from October to September. Club officers and interested members attend.

The **Zone Conference** gives members an opportunity to attend classes and forums about club operation, committees and other exciting topics.

**Kiwanis Education for members & club leaders**

# Kiwanis Foundations

## International – Kiwanis Children’s Fund

### Worldwide Service Projects

- The ELIMINATE PROJECT
- Iodine deficiency disorders (IDD)
- Grants for Local Service Projects

## District

### Provides Grants to Local Clubs

- Local Service Projects
- Scholarships



Both invest in the Service Leadership programs for the children and youth in Kiwanis sponsored clubs.

# Kiwanis Trivia - Answers



- *“Serving the Children of the World”*
  - Became the Motto of Kiwanis in 2005
    - when Kiwanis became 90 years old
- *“We Build”*
  - Was the original Motto for Kiwanis
- The name "Kiwanis" means *“we trade”* or *“we share our talents.”*
  - It was coined from an American Indian expression, Nunc Kee-wanis.

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# Delray Beach Kiwanis

## Be a powerful force for serving children

Ready to help children and families in your community?

Ready to change the world? Kiwanis is ready for you!

Altogether, more than 7,000 clubs make Kiwanis a powerful force for serving children and improving lives.

***Please Join our Club and help us  
help Kids.....***

For More Information

Visit:

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