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#### From the desk of the

DISTRICT GOVERNOR



#### FELLOW KIWANIANS,

Here we are in another October and at the beginning of a new Kiwanis year. What a privilege and honor it is for Laurie and I to be serving the Ohio District as your Governor and First Lady for the 2022-2023 Kiwanis Year. We are humbled, excited, and ready for the challenges and opportunities that we have been given. I promise to do the best I can to lead the great Ohio District to another outstanding year of service.

We have many challenges ahead of us like retaining our current membership, boosting clubs back to charter strength, and, as usual, building new clubs. Let us not forget about growing our service leadership programs because they are an important part of our Kiwanis family.

We will not be tackling all these tasks alone. We have a very energetic group of Lieutenant Governors and district chairs that will be helping their divisions and clubs. We will be asking for some of you to make phone calls to prospective members or you may be able to help boost a club in a neighboring area. All of this will lead to clubs continuing to serve the children of our communities. I am hopeful that we can work together to achieve this growth and prove how mighty the Ohio District really is.

In closing, Laurie and I are thankful for all the support we have received thus far and are looking forward to a great year together. So let's get out there and prepare Ohio for the strong future that is coming.

In Service,

Dave Kuhn



#### 2022-23 DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

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**Treasurer** Steve Steinbrunner treasurer@ohiokiwanis.org

**Secretary** Jim Janosik executivedirector@ohiokiwanis.org









# From the desk of the DISTRICT SECRETARY



**SOMETIMES** in life we tend to hurry things along in order to meet a deadline. And sometimes, in the course of hurrying along, details get overlooked. Last month, that was the case with the Buckeye Bulletin. More often than not we are searching for club news stories from social media pages, simply because very few clubs make the effort to submit content for us to publish. In August, we were up against the deadline to get the September issue out, and the best service-related news story that we had to run came from Division 1-North, Northwest Kiwanians Build Beds for Kids, on page 1. Specifically, it came from the local TV station. And while the article from the TV station got some details wrong in their story, we too got some details wrong for which we apologize.

First and foremost, we need to recognize the efforts of Lt. Governor Mike Metzger who organized the clubs to come together on the bed building project. Additionally, Mike orchestrated the funding from multiple sources to enable the project to come to fruition.

Secondly, this oversight has necessitated an operational change in order to avoid this from happening again. Moving forward, all club or division related news articles will need to originate from the club or division level, with the exception of news that is published to the District Facebook group which will be republished with credit to the author. The person submitting the article will need to credit the writer (if different). There is an easy-to-access link to upload articles and images: https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/district-newsletters/ and we do hope that you will consider sharing the good news of your clubs with others in the District via the Buckeye Bulletin!

In Service,

Jim Janosik



Need to meet with me? Book an appointment at calendly.com/jimjanosik

#### **INSPIRATION**

Whenever it feels uncomfortable to tell the truth, that's often the most important time to tell it.

Jennifer Lopez





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### WELCOME & THANK YOU!

#### Welcome to the Kiwanis Family

New Members
Erica Bredle
Doug Mader
Rita Riethman
Mark Morris
Kelly Schaller
Donna Gunn
Laurel Heath
Tracey Keenan
Jennifer Svec
Lori Boegershausen
Scott Ruffer
Racehel Ruffer
Rev. Elizabeth Clothie
Anthony Coffield
Keith Cantrell
Katie Price
Amy Bogan
Katie Jo Dyer
Bryan Swanson
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**Club** East Fork Region Coldwater Coldwater

Troy Wooster **East Fork Region Belden Village** Hudson Wooster Springfield Hudson Hudson r Marysville Sidney Sidney Sidney Wellington Portsmouth Lexington

New Club News

Horizon Science Academy Columbus, Ohio Division 10E

> KEY CLUB

Thank You for Being a Friend...

The Ohio District of Circle K is appreciative of the many supporters who are providing the resources to help them hold their annual Fall Rally. A special thank you to all the people who donated swimsuits and shoes at the Ohio District Kiwanis Convention.

#### 'Capture the Flag Champ" Sponsors

David Kuhn, 2022-2023, Ohio District Kiwanis Governor Jim Skidmore Leedership Consulting Kiwanis Club of Columbus Jim & Sally Little Tracy Hahn Kiwanis Club of Newark Craig Smith, 2021-2022, Ohio District Kiwanis Governor Jason Miller, 2021-2022 ODKF President Amy Zimmerman, UC CKI Alumni/KCF President-Elect

#### "Campfire Captain" Sponsor

Robin Gagnow Dick Brulotte, Ohio District Aktion Club Administrator Jim Janosik, Ohio District Kiwanis Secretary Lynn & Ted Coons, Kiwanis Club of Columbus Faith Levine Downtown (Dayton) Kelly Brown Craig and Lee Wallace Dr. Gjergj Hachiu, MDY

#### Basket Raffle Sponsors

Molly Baumann Amy Zimmerman, UC CKI Alumni/KCF President-Elect Brian & Kelly Shaffer

> And a special thanks to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation for a \$1,500 sponsorship to Circle K Fall Ral





### FIRST FAMILY PROJECT KOMFORT BAGS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN



Children over the age of 12
Given to a child when being placed in a foster home
Give the child a few essentials to help them feel comfort

#### **OUR WHY**

When a foster child is pulled from one home and placed in another, often without warning, all they are typically able to take with them are the clothes on their back.
Comfort bags can offer them a sense of ownership.

#### WHAT'S IN THE BAG?

- Fleece blanket
- Journal Notebook
- Pencils, pens, sharpener & erasers

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- Coloring Book and colored pencils
- Toiletries
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Comb
- Hand and body lotion
- 11" Teddy Bear
- Kiwanis Key chain

# PCIDA Vice a Jack

#### SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS

- Have a stuffing party with club
- Invite SLP's to help
- Write inspirational letters to include
- Make fleece blankets

#### **HOW CLUBS CAN HELP**

Purchase Komfort bags at of cost of \$35 for each bag.
Contact Governor David to get the materials for the bag purchased.

• Governor David will coordinate the delivery of the items to be stuffed into the bags.

• Arrange a service project to stuff the bags and delivery them to your local Children's Service agency.

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October 2022



### FROM KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

September 22, 2022

#### **IMPORTANT BILLING UPDATES FOR CLUBS**

We have important information to share as we prepare for 2022-23 dues billing.

As you know, Kiwanis International is dedicated to protecting the youth we serve, the data entrusted to our care and the reputation of our organization. The cost of addressing cybersecurity threats, as well as youth protection expenses, has grown exponentially in recent years.

To address these costs, the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees in June instituted a new US\$5 risk management fee for all Kiwanis members. Revisiting that decision at its September meeting, the board opted to rescind the risk management fee but increase the liability insurance fee by US\$5. This means that instead of paying a separate US\$5 risk management fee, members' liability insurance cost will increase from US\$13 to US\$18. Please note that insurance can be paid from the club's service account.

It is also time for you to inspect — and update— your club membership by visiting the Kiwanis Connect reporting website at www.kiwanis.org/login.

Each Kiwanis club has until September 30, 2022, to add new members who will be reflected in its 2021-22 certified membership count. Please note that your club will be billed the pro-rated dues for new members added through September 30. Additionally, Kiwanis clubs have until October 10, 2022, to delete non-returning members for which they do not wish to be charged 2022-23 dues; Kiwanis will use this updated information to invoice clubs in October 2022.

Please feel free to call the Kiwanis Member Services department at 1-800-549-2647, ext. 411 (U.S. and Canada) or +1-317-875-8755, ext. 411 (worldwide) or email memberservices@kiwanis.org for assistance with any questions.

We appreciate your help in maintaining accurate membership records and reporting your membership changes on time!

Sincerely, Kiwanis International







# OHIO FIRST LADY DEWINE VISITS CELINA KIWANIS CLUB

THE Celina Kiwanis Club welcomed Ohio First Lady Fran Dewine to their Wednesday noon meeting on September 20th.

DeWine was promoting Dolly Parton's literacy program Imagination Library of Ohio. The program has 343, 490 Ohio children currently enrolled which is 48% of eligible kids.

DeWine became aware of the program prior to becoming Ohio's First Lady. Her daughter's family was living with her and Governor DeWine while their daughter's house was being built. DeWine happened to be home when her grandchildren's books arrived, and she saw how excited the children were.

"It was such joy," said DeWine. "And they have books, but to get that book in the mail was so much fun for them."

The experience inspired DeWine to learn more about the Imagination Library Program. Dolly Parton started the program in her hometown. DeWine said even though Parton's father could not read or write he was the smartest person Parton knew. Knowing the challenges and embarrassment her father faced, Parton decide to give out books in her hometown. Tennessee's governor then extended free books to children across the entire state.

When Governor Mike DeWine became elected, DeWine's goal was for every child in Ohio to be part of the free book program. DeWine continues to promote the Imagination Library of Ohio program in hopes enriching children's lives through reading.

"We know that a child's brain is 80% developed by the time they turn three years old," said DeWine. "So, we don't want to waste those early years. We don't want to wait until they start kindergarten to start reading to them."

The Imagination Library of Ohio program is free to all children from birth to age five. Each month an age-appropriate book will be addressed to the child and mailed. Anyone can register the child to receive the books and can be sent either to the child's or the register's home. The first book the child will receive is Dolly Parton's favorite book 'The Little Engine That



Could'. The last book the child will receive is 'Look Out Kindergarten Here I Come." To register for the program, go to OhiolmaginationLibrary.org.







Donors are recognized with their name on a leaf, as seen in the sample photo below. Levels are \$100, \$250, and \$500 with the color of the leaf in copper, silver, and gold, respectively.

Individuals, clubs, divisions, foundations can all make a gift to make a recognition of a current or former K-family member, entity, or supporter including In Memoriam recognition.

Gifts will help to support the entire District as general income and are prominently displayed at the District Office.





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614.848.5000 https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/district-office-events/



### **ODKF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



DID you know that YOU are a member of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation? The month of October signifies a fresh start for many Kiwanis clubs. It's the beginning of a new administrative year for most of our K-family. For me personally, I celebrate my wedding anniversary and birthday in October so it's extra special. My wife Jody and I have been actively involved with Kiwanis for over 35 years, with our oldest son Prestin, serving as Ohio District Key Club Governor 2016-2017, and our other children Pierce and Peytyn, participating in K-kids, Builders Club, and Key Club. We've seen firsthand, the positive impact Kiwanis has on Ohio communities and families.

As your newly elected president for the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, I want to remind you that YOU are a member of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. It's important that everyone understands the financial resources and special recognition awards that are available through ODKF to support your club projects. Since 1988, ODKF has awarded over \$1,250,000.00 in grants to Ohio Kiwanis clubs including Governor's Project grants. In 2021-2022, ODKF awarded over \$26K in grant monies to support projects that served over 142,000 children and families. We also approved and awarded \$12K in sponsorships and service grants to all SLP administrators for their programs during 2022-2023.

Our first grant cycle deadline of the new Kiwanis year is Oct. 31, 2022, but there are more opportunities for grants and scholarships throughout the year. Please visit www.odkf.org and click on "What We Do for Clubs" to gain a better understanding of foundation programs, projects, club and member recognition opportunities, grant funding and scholarship deadlines and criteria.

If you would like to schedule a club program regarding ODKF grants and scholarships, Club Advised Funds, Planned Giving Endowment Program, Legion of Honor, Safe & Healthy Kids Program or other ODKF programs that exist to support Ohio Kiwanis clubs and SLP's, please call or email me directly.

In Kiwanis Service.

James Minter

ODKF President 2022-2023 Kiwanis Club Of Westerville 614-374-3341 ODKFpresident2022@odkf.org









### THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING OHIO KIWANIS CLUBS FOR MAKING THEIR ANNUAL GIFT!

Akron Barberton Bath-Richfield Beavercreek Belden Village, Canton Berea **Berlin Heights Bexley/Berwick** Carey Celina Cincinnati Colerain Township Copley-Fairlawn Cuyahoga Falls Delaware **Delaware** County Downtown Athens Dublin East Fork Region Fremont Granville Greenhills-Forest Park Hicksville Hilliard Hilltop, Columbus I-NExT Lima Magic City, Barberton Malta-Mc Connelsville

Marion Marysville Morrow County New Albany Newark North Ridgeville Northern Columbus Northwest Columbus Norton Parma Area Perrysburg Port Clinton Powell Sandusky Seville Sidney South East Cleveland Springfield Stow Munroe Falls Strongsville Area Sunbury Big Walnut Wadsworth Willard Area Wilmington Wooster Worthington, Linworth Xenia Youngstown Zanesville (Downtown)



## CLUBS CELEBRATE MILESTONES

TWO hundred and fifty years of combined service was celebrated in the last week of September as three Ohio Kiwanis Clubs celebrated significant milestones. On Saturday, September 24th the Morrow County Kiwanis (formerly Mt. Gilead Kiwanis) celebrated with a gathering at McChesney's Ice Cream Parlor where those present enjoyed milkshakes and a southern style dinner while looking through historical documents and sharing stories of the impact of Kiwanis.

On Thursday the 29th, members and guests of the Medina Breakfast Club celebrated 50 years of service to their community.

Finally, the last night of the Kiwanis year saw over 60 friends gather aboard the Valley Gem Riverboat on the Ohio River to help the Marietta Kiwanis Club celebrate their century of service to southeast Ohio.





October Board Member Birthdays







## HERITAGE K-KIDS CLEAN UP!

THE K-Kids pledge states that "As a K-Kid, I promise to serve my neighborhood and my school. I will show respect toward my environment and try to make the world a better place."



The student members of the K-Kids Club at Heritage Elementary school took that pledge to heart on Thursday. Students were picking up trash in the neighborhood nearby the school hitting all their goals in one effort. K-Kids is in every Lima City school.



The Fall Mailer has been published and a postcard announcement has been sent to all Kiwanis Club Secretaries. The file is available at ohiokiwanis.org under the Resources > Misc Resources tab.

The Fall District Directory is now available. To request a digital copy, or to order a printed copy, please visit: ohiokiwanis.org under the Resources > District Directory tab.

#### Key Club Names Robert F. Lucas Outstanding Lieutenant Governors

The Ohio District is pleased to announce nearly half of the 2021-2022 Lt. Governors for the Ohio Key Club District received recognition for outstanding work. Congratulations to the following individuals:

Neha Pasupuleti, Division 4W Anna Deichert, Division 10S Zuha Syed, Division 10W Anthony Stabile, Division 16E Giovanni Stabile, Division 16W America Villegas-Camacho, Division 17 Erin Malysa, Division 20 Ciara Bichara, Division 24





Big Brothers Big Sisters.

# Welcome to Ohio's Newest Service Partner

With 17 BBBS Agencies around Ohio, each service opportunity will look a bit different for each club that chooses to partner up. Here are a few ideas though to get you started:

> VOLUNTEER AT A BBBS EVENT OR SERVE ON THEIR BOARD OR A COMMITTEE

VOLUNTEER ON A CLEAN UP DAY AT ONE OF THE BBBS CAMPS ACROSS OHIO, AND/OR SUPPORT SENDING CAMPERS

BECOME A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER

CREATE CARE KITS FOR FOSTER KIDS THAT ARE ALSO LITTLES

CREATE A SERVICE PROJECT THAT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BIGS AND LITTLES TO VOLUNTEER TOGETHER

INVITE YOUR LOCAL BBBS TO SPEAK AT A CLUB MEETING AND/OR BECOME A MEMBER

FIND YOUR LOCAL BBBS PARTNER AT: HTTPS://K20.SITE.KIWANIS.ORG/PARTNERSHIPS/



### THE HOUSE BUILT BY LOVE



THE Kiwanis Club of Zanesville created a bit of Disney magic for some local children. Partnering with the local Habitat for Humanity for a fundraiser, eleven various organizations or businesses donated \$3,000 to the charity. The organizations then built a playhouse with a specific "wished upon" theme. Design, colors and decorations were up to the builders.

The playhouses will be delivered as a special surprise for children of families who recently moved into a new home affiliated with Habitat for Humanity.

## BATTA, BATTA, SWING

SOME random photos from the FIRST ANNUAL Kiwanis Club of Southern Hills Region Wiffle Ball Tournament held in beautiful, historic, Georgetown, Ohio. We gave out free t-shirts, food and most importantly......FUN! The weather was perfect and I think the adult teams had just as much (if not more) fun as the kids! Our sponsors really came through for us. A fantastic event that will be repeated.

-Kelly Faas, Southern Hills Kiwanis Club



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### MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



### **GROW YOUR** MEMBERSHIP AND EARN REWARDS

THE Kiwanis Club of Oxford in the Ohio District just scored a US\$200 gift card to the Kiwanis Family Store because two members met with two prospects this month to tell them about Kiwanis.

Your club could be next! Clubs that report the names and contact for month's information this prospects will be entered into the next monthly drawing for a US\$200 gift card to the Kiwanis Family Store. The drawing is held on the 20th of each month. Complete the form and good luck!

IS your club a member of your local Chamber of Commerce? If not, why not? Their sole purpose is to help you market your club! Don't just pay your dues and expect them to automatically know everything your club is doing. Send them your event fliers and ask them to distribute to their membership, attend their meetings and mixers, ask them for help with your publications, put your club info into their new member packets, work their fair booth, etc. You will get out of it what you put into it!

The Kiwanis Club of Southern Hills Region co-hosted a lunchtime Brown County Chamber of Commerce meeting today with another child-centered agency and it was VERY successful in regard to getting our message out to a new audience.

Seth Carkeek, our incoming President, spoke to the group about his "Kiwanis Experience" and he spoke with such passion about his grandpa and his being a member of the New Boston club. Seth had everyone's attention and we will get some new members from this event.

#supportyourchamberofcommerce #KidsNeedKiwanis #ohiokiwanis

-Kelly Faas, Southern Hills Kiwanis Club



https://kiwanis.formstack.com/forms/two\_for\_two\_drawing



















### A MONUMENTAL EVENT

KEY Clubbers from the Ohio District attended the 77th annual Key Club International Convention in Washington, D.C from July 6th to 10th. As members from around the world gathered at the nation's capital, the celebration of monumental service began. On Wednesday night, we kicked off the opening session with the announcement of Key Club International's new project with UNICEF: to raise money and awareness for early childhood development in Zambia, titled Brighter Beginnings: Zambia.

During the conference, we traded pins with members from other districts and heard from inspirational speakers like Dexter Darden, Lex Gillette, and Sal Khan. We attended workshops like How to Start a Non-Profit, Q & A with Key Club Governors, and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. We elected our new board of international leadErs and our delegates participated in caucusing and the House of Delegates. From the Ohio District, we had Neha Pasupuleti, immediate past Lt. Governor of Division 4 West, run as a candidate for International Trustee! While she didn't make trustee, Neha will be coming back to the Ohio District as our Secretary-Treasurer. At the end of the convention, we recognized our 8 RFL outstanding Lt. Governors from Ohio. Congratulations!

After the convention, we toured D.C. on an Illuminated Monument tour and visited several museums like the Smithsonian Natural History Museum and International Spy Museum. We also ate many cuisines at the restaurants in DC.

It would be an understatement to say that the 2022 Key Club International Convention was

anything less than ICONic. From the late-night gelato runs to visiting the Lincoln Memorial in the dark during a power outage, this week was by far the best week of our lives. In addition to current and past district officers, we also had members from the Dayton STEM, Hilliard-Davidson, Kirtland, Lancaster, Lexington, and Medina Key Clubs in attendance at the convention.

We could not be more grateful to the Ohio District of Kiwanis and our Kiwanis clubs for sponsoring us to attend this unforgettable event. We are especially grateful to District Administrator Mr. Eble and our Kiwanis Advisors who planned and joined us on the trip! Our Ohio Key Clubbers learned so much new information and formed friendships with Key Clubbers from all around the world including our 2021-22 international trustee, Anton, from the Bahamas, and our new friends from Columbia, Canada, and Jamaica!









## A MONUMENTAL EVENT (CONT.)

ICON was a rewarding experience that showed us that we are not alone in our service. When you unite a group of more than 250,000+ serviceoriented high schoolers, you feel a sense of belonging and empowerment to serve our local communities, because you realize that you're a part of something more than yourself.

Let the countdown for ICON 2023 begin! We cannot wait to reunite next summer in Anaheim, California for the 78th Key Club International Convention. In the meantime, we look forward to an exciting term with the mighty Ohio District and hope to share this opportunity with more Ohio Key Clubbers next year. Go Key Club!

Contributors: Neha Pasupuleti (District Secretary - Treasurer & ICON Committee Chair), Rhea Pasupuleti (Division 4E Lt. Governor), Alexa Ryan (ICON Committee Member), Nitya Patel (ICON Committee Member), Janki Patel (ICON Committee Member), Katie Tesorio (Davidson Key Club President)





#### YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES FUND GRANT ARE OPEN AND DUE OCTOBER 15

APPLY FOR A YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES FUND GRANT RANGING FROM US\$250 TO \$2,000. KEY CLUBS AND MEMBERS CAN APPLY FOR THIS GRANT FROM THE KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND UNTIL OCTOBER 15, 2021 AT KEYCLUB.ORG/YOF.











### UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

On November 5, 2022, the **East Fork Region Kiwanis Club** will be hosting the **Fields of Honor** event.

Opening ceremonies for each field Amelia, Batavia, Bethel and Williamsburg will fly over 100 full sized America Flags from November 5 through November 28. Dedicate your flag today. For additional information, please contact Jraub919@aol.com

Brecksville Kiwanis, 2022 Trick or Trot, 5K and 1 Mile Trick-or-Treat Fun Run Saturday, October 22 from 7AM to 10AM. Blossom Hill, 4400 Oakes Rd, Brecksville,

https://runsignup.com/.../Brecksville/BrecksvilleTrickorTrot



Fourth annual Lima Kiwanis Howl'oween Trick or Trot 5K Run/Walk & Virtual Pet Contest, October 30. Benefits SLP's and local pet welfare agencies. Registration and additional information can be found at https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Lima/HowloweenTrickorTrot5k1Mile FunRun

The Kiwanis Club of Northern Columbus is hosting a Pets Pal Costume Contest. Think your pet is the cutest of them all? Enter a photo of you buddy and see if others do as well. Contest details can be found at *https://www.gogophotocontest.com/northernkiwanis,* Winner will be crowned "Cutest Pet Pal" for 2022, winning pet photo will be on the front label of a special beer brewed by Combustion Brewery, and more! But hurry, voting ends October 10th!





## KEY CLUB FALL RALLY 2022 SPONSORSHIP KITS FOR A CAUSE SERVICE PROJECT

Dear Kiwanians,

The Key Club Fall Rally is quickly approaching. On November 6, 2022, we will host the first inperson Fall Rally in three years! We hope to attract Key Club members and advisors from around the state to join us at the Columbus Zoo for a day of fun, service, and leadership experience (plus the opportunity to see our favorite zoo animals).

Our service project will be a hands-on, kit-packing activity where each student attendee creates one care package for children in need. Our partner organization, Kits for a Cause, is a well-known program that will align us with a local charity related to children's health; gift baskets may contain school supplies, basic hygiene products, or toys such as a puzzle or action figure. To fit our theme of zombies, each kit will be a zombie apocalypse "survival kit", ready to help children who are most in need. In addition, each Key Club member will write two cards with short, inspirational messages. Some cards will be placed in the care kits, and the remaining cards will be placed in backpacks for Kiwanis Governor Dave Kuhn's Family First Project.

Now, we need your help! As an individual or Kiwanian, every dollar you spend will go a long way towards making our Fall Rally service project a reality. You, your club, or your division can sponsor two kits, five, kits, seven kits, or write a check for a miscellaneous amount. And as an extra incentive, we will thank all sponsors at Fall Rally and on social media, and your club has top priority in requesting a number of our letters to add to your Family First backpacks.

We greatly appreciate any donation, and we look forward to seeing how Key Club can change the lives of just a few children. Please send all donations by October 15th to the Key Club at the District Office via check.

#### Sponsorship Levels:

Bronze: your \$20 donation will purchase two kits. Wow, thank you for your donation! Silver: your \$50 donation will purchase five kits. Holy moly, you are a sponsorship master! Gold: your \$70 donations will purchase seven kits. Nobody helps Key Club more than you!

Yours in Service, Giovanni Stabile Governor of the Ohio District of Key Club International







# KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND GRANTS





As your club begins to plan service projects for 22-23, don't forget that those projects may be eligible for a grant from the Kiwanis Children's Fund!

The first step toward a grant is to submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI), which provides the Children's Fund with an overview of how your club plans to meet a need in your community. Using Foundant<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=kiwanis>, our online grant-making system, you will provide a project overview, timeline, budget and community needs overview. The LOI will be reviewed by the Children's Fund Community Impact team. If approved, your club will be invited to complete a full application.

The deadline to submit an LOI is November 1. Full applications approved during this cycle would receive funding decisions in March 2023. We encourage clubs to submit the LOI at least two weeks before the LOI deadline, this way you would receive feedback and have time resubmit the LOI if necessary. If submitted after October 16, we cannot guarantee feedback before November 1.

I have attached some more information about the program, including requirements and the types of projects we can and cannot fund. Here are some examples of projects funded during 2021-22:

- \* Bike Refurbishment and Distribution
- \* Book Distribution
- \* Career Exploration Programs
- \* Comfort Items (for youth in hospitals)
- \* Community Gardens
- \* Education and Feeding Programs
- \* Education Programs
- \* Health/Dental/Vision Screenings
- \* Healthy Eating and Nutrition Education

- \* Hunger Relief Programs
- \* Literacy Programs
- \* Meal Distributions
- \* Mental Health/Cyber Bullying Awareness
- \* School Equipment
- \* School Renovation (painting/repairing facilities)
- \* School Supplies and Uniforms
- \* Tutoring Programs
- \* Uniform and Clothing Distribution
- \* Weekend Backpacks

If you have questions or would like to discuss your idea before you apply, contact grants@kiwanis.org or call +1-317-217-6225, ext. 225









# KEY LEADER REGISTRATION IS OPEN

The fall 2022 Key Leader is now open for registration, and thanks to grant funds from the Kiwanis Children's Fund and the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, scholarships are available for students to attend. Key Leader is a transformative, service leadership weekend retreat for high school students. Attendees do not need to be Key Club members, it is open to ALL high school students in the state.

