



FOUNDATION
of Tampa Bay

2019 Annual Report

ENABLING CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING

You help children thrive.



Look what you made possible last year

BY THE NUMBERS...

4806

NEED REQUESTS FULFILLED

\$2,844,928

SPENT ON CHILDREN'S NEEDS SINCE 2009

4392



NEGLECTED, ABUSED, OR ABANDONED
CHILDREN IN PASCO & PINELLAS
COUNTIES TODAY

122

REMOVED FROM THEIR
HOMES EACH MONTH

VOLUNTEERS

947

ADVOCATE

FOR THESE CHILDREN EVERY DAY



809

RECEIVED TUTORING OR
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

1280

STABILIZED IN CRISIS
SITUATIONS THROUGH
PROVIDING FOR BASIC NEEDS



1924

RECEIVED GIFTS TO
BRING A SMILE TO A
BIRTHDAY, HOLIDAY
OR MILESTONE
EVENT



793

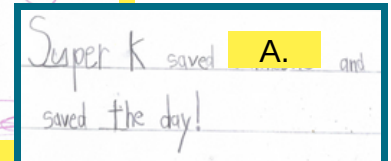
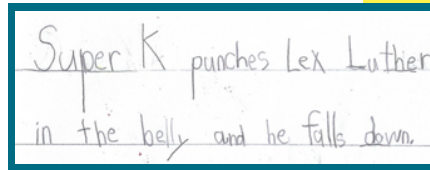
WERE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER
CAMP, SPORTS AND EXTRACURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES

PROVIDING STRONG ADVOCACY

Your support helps us to advocate for abused and neglected children.



K.N. is a Volunteer Child Advocate (VCA) and leaves no stone unturned when she has to advise on what is in the best interest of a child. K.N. was assigned a case that was moving to



teunification. Immediately upon reviewing the documents, she realized reports and assessments were missing. When she received these records, she learned that this was the fifth removal of a child from this mother and her rights had been terminated years ago on another child. This new information brought to light a pattern of behaviors, history, and a mental health diagnosis to which all parties were unaware. K.N. also discovered that the mother was living with a boyfriend and driving the children places without a license. Thanks to K.N.'s advocacy, the goal will be changed to adoption.

A. is in a placement with a foster brother who loves "his" baby so much he wrote a comic book showing how happy he is that A. gets to stay with him in his home.

Brighter Futures and Stronger Communities

Children who have experienced abuse or neglect fare better with a Volunteer Child Advocate by their side.



They are
more likely

to find a safe, permanent home



They are
more likely

to succeed in school



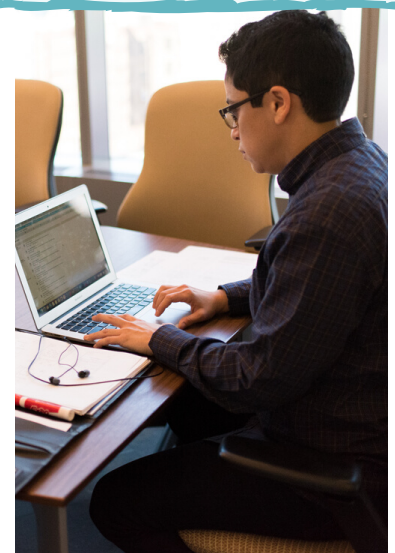
They are
more likely

to receive care to address trauma

Your Support Changes Children's Lives Every Day!

John, 17, is a bright young man who lives in a group home. His father is deceased, and his grandmother is ill and no longer able to care for him. John took the initiative to enroll in a special youth program in video game software development at St. Petersburg College, which required him to attend Monday-Thursdays after schools. He wanted to continue his education in software development. This interest motivated him to get his grades up in other classes as well. He requested a laptop to work on projects outside of class. The laptop helped John with both his extracurricular programming and high school classwork. It has also helped him working toward his career goal in technology.

Thank you for allowing our children to pursue their dreams and feel heard.



HELPING CHILDREN REACH PERMANENCY

You help children reach safe and stable forever homes.

Why We Serve...



Jack & Randi not only serve as a Volunteer Child Advocate Team, they also provide other support. Jack's business, Advanta IRA, is a Corporate Sponsor of our SuperHero 5K, they serve on the Resource Development Committee, are donors, and each year at their Holiday Party they encourage their friends and families to bring a gift of diapers/wipes as an "entrance fee." These parents of three are dedicated to making sure that the children for whom we advocate are able to get their needs met!

"Jack and I are Volunteer Child Advocates for kids in the foster care system. It can be frustrating and exhausting, but it is worth it. We believe strongly in the mission of Guardian ad Litem Foundation of Tampa Bay and appreciate all the support and encouragement we have received to make sure that when a child needs help, we are there. Recently a child that we advocated for was adopted and she is thriving. We are beyond thrilled." Here is a note they received from their VCA child:



"I wanted to thank you for everything that you have done for me. You have been my biggest advocate since I first became a part of the system. I remember there being times I felt like this was my life now. There's no getting out of it that I'm stuck. But you always always came and brought hope to me. You never downed me and told me that I wasn't worth anything. You brought me up and told me otherwise. If it wasn't for you, I don't think I would have made it. You're an amazing person! And I admire you so much. I love you!!!!

THANK YOU for being there for me when no one else was
♥"

Ways to Get Involved



- Join a Committee
- Done in a Day Activity
- Be a Speaker
- Corporate or Group Service Day
- Help with an Event
- Organize a Fundraiser

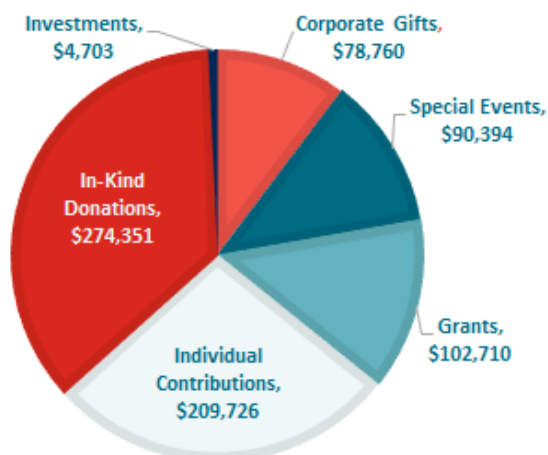
Learn more:

herotoachild.org/menus/how-you-can-help.html

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2019
REVENUE:
\$760,644

67% of donations
comes from individuals



91 cents of every dollar goes
directly to support for
children in foster care

OUR MISSION

We advocate for and support children, young adults, and families impacted by abuse and neglect in Pinellas and Pasco Counties.



When a child's future hangs in the balance, we are there.

We envision a community where every child and young adult is safe, secure, and thriving. We believe every child deserves to have a permanent family and be well prepared for their future beyond foster care.

We can't do what we do without the amazing advocacy provided by Volunteer Child Advocates. And they can't do what they do without kind and compassionate people like you whose generosity ensures that together, we can help children heal.

OUR PARTNERS & DONORS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

For a list of our incredible Corporate, Civic & Individual Donors, please see our website @ <https://herotoachild.org/menus/partnerssponsors.html>



RAYMOND JAMES

The Finance Operations & Strategy Department wanted an educational and impactful team building exercise during RJ Cares Month. Working with senior staff, we created a custom program that included a drive for birthday products, a fun activity putting together birthday-party-in-a-bags, and a Lunch & Learn with a panel of VCAs so employees could learn more about what we do.



NEW YORK LIFE

When New York Life's BOLD & Latino Employee Resource Groups heard that we were in need of hair products for children of African descent, they stepped right up to make sure we had a great supply for children & teens! They also made a generous financial donation to ensure children's needs were met all year long!



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