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#### Mission Statement:

Keeping Kids Safe Inc. is devoted to provide a safe, loving foster and adoptive homes for children. We are dedicated to model and teach Christian values and morals while empowering children to thrive emotionally, socially, cognitively, and physically.

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# Keeping Kids Safe

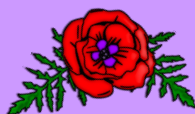
## Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner

Friday, May 17th, 2019

6:00pm: Winebrenner Auditorium

Please join us for a night of celebration for all you do! This will be a fun filled evening. There is a hypnotist coming and he will need volunteers.

Babysitting is available at Upper Room Church of God. There will be pizza, movies, and games for the kids.



### THE POPPY, A SYMBOL OF MEMORIAL DAY

The wearing of poppies in honor of America's war dead is traditionally done on Memorial Day. The origin of the red poppy as a modern-day symbol of this day was actually the idea of an American woman, Miss Moina Michael.

In war-torn battlefields, the red field poppy was one of the first plants to grow. Its seeds scattered in the wind and sat dormant in the ground, only germinating when the ground is disturbed—as it was by the very brutal fighting during World War 1.

Today, poppies are both the symbol of loss of life as well as a symbol of recovery and new life, especially in support of those servicemen who were damaged physically or emotionally.

Happy Mother's Day to those who have been a mother to so many!  
We appreciate you!

## Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars!

Camp Clay Aqua Water Park in VanWert  
Friday, June 21st

## Independent Living Graduations

Please join us in celebrating our graduates! There will be a graduation party on Friday, May 24th at Liberty Hall from 12-6pm. All foster parents are welcome to come to the party .

Kaylee will live in her own apartment in Findlay & work full time at Wingate body shop.

Roman will remain at the IL home while he transitions to the University of Findlay.



# Outside Training

The following trainings are held at **Lucas County CS Conference and Learning Center**, 711 Adams St., Toledo. \*To register for Lucas County Trainings, please call: 419-213-3578

Thurs, May 2, 2019 (5:30-8:30pm)  
**Having a Purpose Matters! Helping Children Find Purposeful Activity**  
This session will cover how to nurture a child who is coming from a neglectful past and how to bring purpose into their life.

Tue, May 7, 2019 (10am-1pm)  
**Foster Families & How They Grow**  
Participants will identify how fostering may impact their family, signs of burnout and stress, and describe strategies to combat stress related to fostering and avoid burnout.

Thurs, May 9, 2019 (5:30-8:30pm)  
**Oh No, Not Again! Educational Advocacy**  
This workshop will include information on how to acclimate a child coming from one culture into another culture within a different school district.

Fri, May 17, 2019 (9am-4pm)  
**Foster Families & How they Grow: Understanding the Effects of Foster**  
This workshop is specifically designed for licensed foster caregivers in the early years of their foster care development, will assist foster caregivers in understanding and dealing with the challenges unique to fostering.



Wed, May 22, 2019 (10am-1pm)  
**Parenting Children Who Come From a Culture of Poverty**  
This workshop will help caregivers understand how poverty impacts development of children and how this may impact home life in the foster home, including a child's behavior and experiences with food.

Thurs, May 23, 2019 (9am-4pm)  
**Addressing Self-Injurious Behavior in Youth & Adolescence: A Holistic & Trauma-Informed Approach**  
This workshop will provide information and tools that assist foster parents and kinship caregivers to respond more effectively to youth who engage in self-injurious behaviors.

Thurs, May 30, 2019 (10am-1pm)  
**Normalcy & the Reasonable & Prudent Parent Standard**  
Caregivers will learn what needs to be considered when applying the RPPS, and will practice applying the standard in a number of scenarios.

The following trainings will be held at **Defiance County JFS**—6879 Evansport Rd, Defiance, OH 43512 \*Register on ETrack

Sat, May 11, 2019 (9am-12pm)  
**Dealing with the Impact of Early Sexual Trauma**  
Parents in this class will not only learn about the potential impact of early trauma on current behavior, but will also learn skills that will help them interact and intervene in ways that are helpful.

Sat, May 11, 2019 (1-4pm)  
**Relax! It's Only a Crisis!**  
Foster Parents will learn the stages and patterns of a crisis. They will learn ways to manage their own behavior to improve outcomes.

The following training will be held at **Erie County Health Dept**—420 Superior St., Sandusky, OH 44870  
\*Register on ETrack

Sat, May 25, 2019 (9am-4pm)  
**Girls, Trauma, & Delinquency**  
This workshop takes an exploratory view into the world of delinquent girls & the eight factors correlated to female delinquency. It also reviews root causes of female delinquency, such as trauma, victimization, social learning, & family/community strain.

The following training will be held at **Huron County JFS**—185 Shady Lane, Norwalk, OH 44857  
\*Register on ETrack

Sat, May 18, 2019 (9am-4pm)  
**Wounded Child, Healing Home**  
When a child enters a foster or adoptive home following a history of abuse, neglect, and trauma, the family will be transformed. Most often, this transformation is positive for all in the family; but occasionally the transformation is not positive, and the issues and challenges of maintaining the child in the home seem insurmountable.

The following training will be held at **Wyandot County JFS**—120 E. Johnson St., Upper Sandusky, OH 43351 \*Register on ETrack

Sat, May 4, 2019 (9am-4pm)  
**Substance Abuse, Chemical Dependency, and Kids**  
This workshop takes an exploratory view into the world of delinquent girls & the eight factors correlated to female delinquency. It also reviews root causes of female delinquency, such as trauma, victimization, social learning, & family/community strain.

## Agency Training

Keeping Kids Safe provides on-going training to foster parents on a monthly basis. This month, Keeping Kids Safe training will be on:

**Monday, May 13, 2019 from 6-8pm**

**Topic:** Drug Awareness by Officer Brian White & Kayla Demuth

**Where:** First Presbyterian Church  
2330 S. Main St., Findlay.

Please call 567-525-4520 to confirm your attendance **by the Friday** prior to training.

# May Highlights

May 1st—May Day

May 2nd—Brother & Sister Day

May 4th—Kentucky Derby Day

May 5th—Cinco de Mayo

May 6th—National Nurses Day

May 7th—National Teacher's Day

May 12th—Mother's Day

May 14th—Dance like a Chicken Day

May 18th—Visit your Relatives Day

May 20th—Pick Strawberries Day

May 23rd—Lucky Penny Day

May 25th—Tap Dance Day

May 27th—Memorial Day

May 28th—National Hamburger Day

May 30th—Water a Flower Day

May 31st—National Macaroon Day



Keeping Kids Safe  
would like to wish the  
following people a  
Happy May Birthday!

Maverick G.—May 5th

Ethan S.—May 6th

Josie P.—May 7th

Skylar R.—May 8th

Summer F.—May 8th

Olivia D.—May 11th

Scott W.—May 11th

Daniel R.—May 12th

Scott M.—May 13th

Brooklyn R.—May 14th

Cori N.—May 15th

Nicole O.—May 15th

Michael M.—May 18th

Freda B.—May 20th

Micah M.—May 20th

Evelyn L.—May 22nd

Scott M.—May 23rd

Delaney B.—May 26th

Charlotte B.—May 26th

Karlee L.—May 26th

Ashley M.—May 28th

Derek T.—May 30th

## Referral Bonus

If you refer a family and they complete the application and licensing process, once they are licensed you will receive \$250. The family you referred **HAS TO** write on their application who referred them in order for you to get the credit.

## Kroger Rewards

Link your Kroger Plus Card to our agency and Kroger's will donate 5% of the total sales every quarter to our agency!

Spread the word to your family and friends and have them link their Kroger Rewards card to Keeping Kids Safe! This is an easy way to raise money for the agency!

Register online at: [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)



Kroger has updated their system. From now on when registering your card, the code for Keeping Kids Safe is:

**SJ189**



Our offices will  
be closed on  
Memorial Day:  
May 27th

# Kid's Corner

G V M K G G K G O H V H G J G  
A W K O B N R R S M R A W J Y  
R Y O Z T E I U S R E W O L F  
D A J R E H N R S R O B I N A  
E D G N G S E T P Q D A H P Q  
N Y G P H H N R F S T T A V T  
I A B I R A O H S R L U T N Q  
N M N F L O M B A D O D C C Q  
G E F P T M U G P K A G H Y H  
B U T T E R F L I E S Y S K Q

BUTTERFLIES  
FLOWERS  
FROGS  
GARDENING  
GREEN  
GROW  
HATCH  
MAYDAY  
MOTHERSDAY  
PLANTS  
ROBIN  
SPRING  
SUNSHINE  
WARM

## April Showers Bring May Flowers

Noah, his family and all the animals left the ark and thanked God for saving them. God said, "I promise I will never again send such a flood. And each time it rains, I'll send a rainbow to remind you of my promise to you."

