

Keeping Kids Safe Merry Christmas!

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Christmas Party



We are excited to be hosting our Annual Christmas Party for all our foster families on Saturday, December 14th from 11am-2pm at the University of Findlay Alumni Hall. We would LOVE to see 100% attendance even if you do not have foster children in the home. There will be crafts, story time, and Santa will be there to celebrate and take pictures. With the generous help of our community, there will be gifts for everyone! We hope you all will be able to attend and help celebrate the Christmas season with us!

Snow Tubing

Please join us for a fun day out tubing at Snow Trails, just outside of Mansfield, on Monday, December 30th. We will be leaving from the office approximately around 9am. More details to come as the date gets closer. Keeping Kids Safe will be taking care of the tubing fees and



a meal after tubing. If you are interested, please sign up so we know how many tickets we will need to get.



Reminder: It would be greatly appreciated, if it is possible, to allow your caseworkers to come see your children on Christmas break during the day. If your children have a snow day, please inform your caseworker to see if a visit may be possible. Thank You!

Please be mindful during this holiday season that our staff would like to spend time with their family too.

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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.



County Trainings

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: 419-213-3505

Wednesday, December 4th (9am-4pm)

Defusing Crisis Situations Safely and Sanely— This workshop helps participants understand anger as an unmet need, identify the stages of a developing crisis, and build corresponding deescalation skills.

Saturday, December 7th (9am-12pm) Behavior Management I: Managing Surface **Behaviors with Acting-Out** Children— This program explores major pre-placement dynamics, including separation, and how these dynamics influence behavior.

Saturday, December 7th (1-4pm) Behavior Management I: Techniques for Avoiding and De-escalating Physical Crisis Situations— This class will examine how pre-placement experiences and current stressors may affect a foster child's behavior. gangs, and sex are portrayed

Saturday, December 7th (9am-4pm)

Teaching Responsibility Through the Use of Natural and Logical Consequences—This workshop will focus on the "whys" of children's misbehavior and helping caregivers learn how to assist children in placement with making better choices.

Wednesday, December 11th (9am-4pm)

Human Trafficking of Youth Involved in Child Welfare— This session begins with the initial screening and identification of youth, using several nationally recognized red flags.

Saturday, December 14th (9am-4pm) Verbal De-escalation in Child Welfare— The skills of active listening, non-violent communication and de-escalation will be reviewed.

Thursday, December 19th (5:30-8:30pm) A World of Opportunities: **High Risk Behaviors are** Hidden in Plain Sight — This workshop will explore the ways in which drugs, by society to our youth and the effect they have upon them.

Keepíng Kíds Safe Traíníng

There will be NO training for KKS this month. We hope you have a very Merry Christmas with everyone that you love the most! May God bless you abundantly in the coming year!

The following training is held at Erie County Health Dept., 420 Superior St. Sandusky. *Register on E-Track or call Chelsev Billman at: 419-627-4484

Thursday, December 12th (5-8pm) Fostering Physical and Emotional Health in the Caregiver— This workshop explores the value of foster parents taking care of themselves.

The following training is held at Wyandot County JFS, 120 E. Johnson St., Upper Sandusky. *Register on E-Track or call Becky Greene at: 419-294-4977 ext.257

Saturday, December 7th (9am-4pm) Girls, Trauma, and Delinquency— This workshop first takes an exploratory view into the world of delinquent girls and the eight factors correlated to female delinguency. The workshop reviews the root causes of female delinguency.





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



December Birthdays

R.	Dec. 20th—Jonathon B. & Konnor L. & Jessica L.	
	Dec. 21st—Zarihanna A.	
Dec. 22nd—Todd W. & Amanda B Dec. 24th—Suraya M.		
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	Dec. 26th—Arya L.	_
	Dec. 28th—Addison C. & Zoe B.	
	Dec. 29th—Hannah U. & Daxson P.	



December 1st—World AIDS Awareness Day December 5th—Bathtub Party Day December 7th—Pearl Harbor Day December 8th—International Children's Day December 13th—Ice Cream Day December 16th—National Chocolate Covered Anything Day December 17th—National Maple Syrup Day December 22nd—Winter Solstice December 25th—Christmas Day December 28th—Card Playing Day December 30th—Bacon Day

December 31st-New Year's Eve

Rule of the Month

OAC 5101: 2-7-06 (B)

A foster child shall not be denied the opportunity to eat with other members of the foster home.



Kroger Rewards

Link your Kroger Plus Card to our agency and Kroger will donate 5% of the total sales every quarter to our agency! Register online at: krogercommunityrewards.com

When registering your card, the code for Keeping Kids Safe is: **SJ189**



