



**Hibiscus Children's Center**  
Saving Children Since 1985

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## MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN CHILDREN'S LIVES



Marissa lived at the Hibiscus Village two years ago and was placed in a loving adoptive family. After leaving Hibiscus, she still received services through the Hibiscus Community Mental Health (CMH) Program. The CMH therapist worked with Marissa and her new family helping to process challenges they were experiencing. The therapist began the meeting with a Community Meeting, which is a tool used at Hibiscus as part of the Sanctuary Model.

To the therapist's surprise, the family still remembered the tools they received two years ago when Marissa left Hibiscus. Marissa used open communication, a calming Care Plan, emotional intelligence and managing emotions - all tools within the Sanctuary Model. The family expressed that Marissa taught them to check in every morning with a community meeting. Learning these tools to help process trauma and the challenges Marissa and her new family faced were instrumental in helping Marissa move forward in life.

**Thank you for helping children like Marissa find a better future!**

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## PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT



### SANCTUARY MODEL

The Sanctuary Model is a Trauma-Informed Care model and is an innovative, evidence-based model that addresses the health and well-being of abused, neglected, and/or abandoned children and caregivers, including staff and volunteers.

**HIBISCUS RECEIVED SANCTUARY MODEL  
CERTIFICATION IN 2020**

Trauma informed care has been associated with improvement in children's well-being and placement stability over time. The objective of The Sanctuary Model is to change organizational culture to emphasize respecting and appropriately responding to the effects of trauma at all levels. The Sanctuary Model is a trauma informed care practice and awareness that becomes almost second nature and pervasive in all services areas. It requires a system to make a paradigm shift from asking, "What is wrong with this person?" to "What has happened to this person?" The Sanctuary Model has helped our agency reduce trauma symptoms in our clients, higher productivity of staff through motivation, engagement and satisfaction of services, and has lowered staff turnover. Hibiscus Children's Center has implemented The Sanctuary Model throughout its entire organization and all staff are trained.

[Learn More about Sanctuary Model](#)

## Your donation directly supports children.

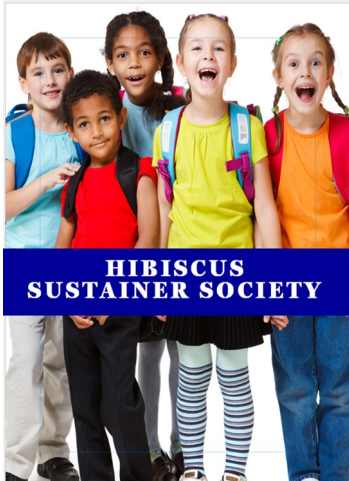
Each year we must raise over **\$3 million** to care for children. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We cannot let the current economic struggles we are all facing keep us from providing the care children and families need.

Please click below to directly support children & families who need us.



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For more information, please contact Michelle King, CDO  
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## Your Monthly Giving accomplishes so much for children!

Hibiscus plans monthly for expenses. As costs rise, it puts a strain on our already tight budget, but as tight as the budget gets, we will not waiver from giving children the smiles and joys of experiencing their first-ever birthday party, hairstyle, first dance, or Honor Roll celebration. Thank You for making this possible!

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## HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER

### Teddy Bear Campaign



The teddy bear is a symbol of a happy and safe childhood. Unfortunately, the hundreds of children that Hibiscus serves in our community have not had happy or safe childhoods.

Every child deserves to be safe and experience the joys of childhood. These necessary funds raised through the **Teddy Bear Campaign** will help countless children move forward in the healing process.

If you would like to display a Teddy Bear along with information about Hibiscus Children's Center at your business or donate to our campaign, please contact **Lori Swift, Director of Special Events**, at [lswift@hcc4kids.org](mailto:lswift@hcc4kids.org) or visit our website.

We are asking each business that participates to pledge \$250.

Ask your customers and staff to support your Hibiscus Teddy Bear with contributions. Post pictures of your bear dressed up and we will do the same! Businesses will get recognition on social media for giving back to the community.

**TEDDY BEAR CAMPAIGN**



## WAYS TO GET INVOLVED & HELP KIDS!

- Tour the Village in Vero Beach or Shelter in Jensen Beach.
- Support our special events and community events to benefit Hibiscus.
- Host a fundraiser through your business or at your home, online, social media, etc.
- Use your social networks to spread awareness & information.
- Donate your birthday, anniversary or other special occasions.
- Donate household items, clothing, furniture or other gently used items to our thrift store.
- Volunteer your time at the thrift store, Village, Shelter, or join our Guild.
- Donate. Leave Hibiscus in your will. Check if your business provides matching gifts.
- Shop online with charitable platforms and select Hibiscus whenever possible.

These are just a few examples of how you can help change children's lives. If you would like more information, please visit our [website](http://www.hcc4kids.org) or contact us at [development@hcc4kids.org](mailto:development@hcc4kids.org).

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## GIVEBACK to Hibiscus While You Shop!

Amazon Smiles has been discontinued, but Givebacks is a great way to make a difference with every purchase you make!

Givebacks automatically donates up to 1% of your eligible purchases to the causes that are closest to your heart. You can also donate some or all of the cashback that you earn. The Givebacks Program allows you to shop at all your favorite merchants online and select **Hibiscus Children's Center** to receive up to 1% of your purchases at no cost to you. Select from a network of 25,000 participating merchants online including Walmart, Sam's Club, CVS, Hobby Lobby, Macy's and many more! [Thank you for your support.](#)

**JOIN GIVEBACKS  
HERE!**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Blue Ribbon Luncheon & Fashion Show | Oak Harbor Club | April 5, 2023  
[Blue Ribbon Luncheon info](#)

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## JOIN OUR TEAM!

### HIBISCUS IS HIRING!

Hibiscus is looking for **Caring, Committed and Compassionate** individuals who want to be part of a great team helping children!

**Hiring Bonuses!** \*See details for applicable positions.

[Employment Details](#)

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