



Hibiscus Children's Center
Saving Children Since 1985

YOUR SUPPORT CHANGED MIA'S LIFE!



HIBISCUS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

HELPING CHILDREN & FAMILIES OVERCOME CHALLENGING TIMES

Mia was eight when she came to Hibiscus Shelter. She was a victim of severe trauma and had been in multiple foster placements. During her two years at the Shelter, Mia made considerable progress. She learned coping skills to decrease negative behavior and better regulate her emotions. Counseling helped her overcome the fear and anger she experienced.

Mia learned that she was safe at Hibiscus and she could trust us. Feeling secure and that she would be okay was vital to helping Mia move forward in life.

Eventually Mia was placed in a pre-adoptive home. She left the Shelter a different child than when she arrived. Thank you for helping children like Mia through some of the most difficult times of their lives. **YOU help children find a better future!**

YOUR DONATION CAN CHANGE A LIFE!

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Serving over 550 children & families annually



Learn More - Mental Health Services

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

The primary goal of Hibiscus' mental health program is to build strong children. Our therapists are trauma trained, masters level clinicians.

Children in the Shelter and Village receive counseling to help them recover from the trauma of abuse. Hibiscus also provides outpatient services to children and families on the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee.

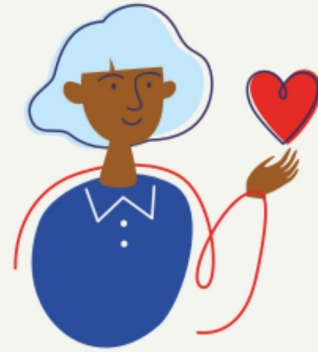
The agency specializes in the treatment of trauma-based disorders and healing victims of sexual abuse. Clinicians in the Sexual Abuse Treatment Program (SATP) receive specialized annual training.

Hibiscus and the community we serve are fortunate to have the only Department of Health sanctioned Sexual Abuse Treatment Program on the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee.

Hibiscus has partnered with Justin' Time Stables to provide Equine Therapy. This non-traditional therapy helps build self-esteem, confidence and trust. It can also help children learn social skills while reducing anxiety and depression. *And children love it!*

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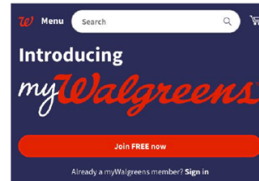


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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Linda Teetz and Bethany Petito
Candlelight Ball Co-chairs



MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS

The Chairs of this year's Candlelight Ball are a delightful blend of young and old!

Bethany Petito, young but knowledgeable and creative beyond her years, began volunteering with Hibiscus Children's Center over one year ago in Jensen Beach after hearing about their mission. There are children that have endured unimaginable suffering, and Hibiscus is here to rescue them. After moving north, she joined the Indian River Guild to volunteer working with the children. She has been privileged to witness the transformative environment and invaluable resources offered to the children of Hibiscus. Bethany says, "I'm incredibly grateful to play such a small role in their journey towards success and healing."

Linda Teetz, recently celebrating another 80 something birthday, began volunteering almost 20 years ago. Auctions are her "forte," so she fit right in with the fundraising efforts for Hibiscus Children's Center. As a former teacher, she recognizes the importance of Hibiscus in the nurturing and safe sheltering in the development of the children. Linda says, "I am truly blessed to be a part of an organization that has helped so many children have a life-changing experience toward a successful life."

Please join Bethany and Linda for an evening of entertainment and enjoyment to benefit the children at Hibiscus Children's Center.

For more information about our event, please click the link:

[Hibiscus Children's Center Candlelight Ball](#)

Saturday, December 2nd at Oak Harbor Club in Vero Beach

GIVING TUESDAY

11/28 Global Giving Movement

Join the giving movement and support
Hibiscus children!

Hibiscus Children's Center *Sustainer Society*

Your monthly gift allows us to better
budget and prepare for unexpected expenses
and ensure children are experiencing a
full life while living at the Village and Shelter.

Donate to the Hibiscus Sustainer Society on November 28th
or donate anytime to help support Hibiscus children!

BECOME A SUSTAINER



Empower the Future

YEAR-END MESSAGE FROM CEO MATT MARKLEY

As 2023 draws to a close, we reflect on the strides we have made to protect children at risk of abuse or neglect. Every child deserves to grow up in a safe and nurturing environment, free from fear and violence. This vision is at the heart of our mission at Hibiscus Children's Center.

Your enduring support has been a beacon of hope for countless children. Hibiscus offers children a safe haven, counseling, education and vocational services, in an environment where abuse and neglect are replaced with love, understanding and support. As the holidays approach, we invite you to join us in our shared commitment to creating a brighter future for every child.

Your year-end donation will directly impact our efforts to shelter children,
strengthen families and nurture futures.

Please click the button below to donate or contact Chief Development Officer Michelle King at
561.452.5791 / mking@hcc4kids.org.

**Thank you for standing with us as we advance our mission. May your holiday season
be filled with the joy of knowing you have made a lasting difference in the life of a
child.**

Year-End Giving



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)

EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Martin County Casino Night | Willoughby Golf Club
November 18, 2023

Indian River Candlelight Ball | Oak Harbor Club
December 2, 2023

Indian River County Wine & Dine | Grand Harbor Golf Club
February 3, 2024

Martin County Jo Covelli Luncheon | Sailfish Point Club
March 4, 2024

Blue Ribbon Luncheon & Fashion Show | Oak Harbor Club
April 3, 2024

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CALENDAR!**

**Contact for more
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