

Children's Fund News

By Kiwanis Children's Fund District Chair Jody Melcher

Happy July Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanians!



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As I write this I am getting ready to go to Denver for International Convention (ICON). I have training for the Possibility Project on Tuesday and Wednesday before ICON starts. All volunteers involved in the Possibility Project are invited to attend this training. By the time you read this, the Kiwanis world will know about the Possibility Project.

Rather than focusing on a single use for this fundraising campaign, as we did with IDD and MNT, the Children's Fund staff listened to Kiwanians who want to serve children in their own communities. The goal is to raise \$25,000,000 in five years to help clubs help their kids. Grants will be available for projects you do in your community to benefit children. So far, \$5,000,000 has been raised since Oct. 1, 2022. Long time donors have been contacted for donations over the past year. Now it's up to the rest of us to make this happen. Consider being an Impact Club.

Impact Clubs will donate an average of \$500 per member over five years beginning Oct. 1, 2022. A Hixson at \$1,000 and a Wil Blechman Fellowship at \$2,500 are available to clubs and individuals. All donations count towards the goal.

Every donation helps, no matter the amount. Remember it only takes \$2.25 to positively impact a child's life. Our "champions" that will serve as volunteers will receive monthly updates on how the project and club donations are going. The first report came in early June. The next one will come out after ICON.

Later this summer, your club will be contacted by your Champion to give you information about the Possibility Project. Lt. Governors, please consider inviting your Champion to a Division Council Meeting. A list of Champions and their divisions are:

Jim Davies—Hampton—Divisions 1, 2, 8

Pam Henderson—Alta—Divisions 3, 4, 5, 6

Lyle Weber—Iowa City—Divisions 9, 10, 14, 15

Margaret Ludington—Southeast Polk—Divisions 11, 12, 13, 16

Brian Wells—Bellevue—Divisions 17, 20

Emily Wageman—Fremont—Divisions 18, 19

George Cook—Lincoln Northeast—Divisions 21, 22N, 22S, 23

Divisions 23 & 24—open. Please contact me if you would like to help.

A great way to make club or individual donations is to save those "K" Dollars.

It's an easy way to raise funds.