

Come Play With Us: **Upcoming Events**

We have a showcase of events going on! We are excited to announce the following events.

Kids Cooking Class - Ongoing

Friendsgiving Food Drive - Nov

Family Friendly Hikes

LOVE IN ACTION Edible Forest & Animal Sanctuary Volunteer Day Nov, Dec

Youth Empowerment Oct. Dec

Cookie & Crafts Holiday HangOut Dec

Recent Event Photos

Hey there! Were you caught on camera at our latest event? Dive into the snapshots below and hop over to our social media to catch up on all the fun we've been having!









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Spread The Love

Hello Friends! 🎉

As 2024 comes to a close, we find ourselves reflecting on a year filled with connection, love, laughter, and healing. Together, we've grown, seized new opportunities, and spread joy and kindness every step of the way. Thanks to your unwavering support, we've stood strong in uplifting underserved children and families, providing experiences that create cherished memories and pave the way for brighter futures.

This year, LHCH had the incredible honor of receiving a prestigious humanitarian award, from Youth for Human Rights International. celebrating our heartfelt commitment to enriching the lives of those in our community. What an honor! 🔅 We were also awarded a generous 3 year CFCI Funding opportunity to continue serving our community. It has truly been a beautiful and very rewarding year! We THANK YOU 💞

We invite you to continue this meaningful journey with us by visiting our donation and/or wishlist pages at Lovinghandschildrenshome.org . Together, we can bring joy to little hearts, creating lasting memories filled with love and hope. Thank you for being such an important part of this mission. Your support is life-changing and inspires endless possibilities.

DONATE TODAY!

A Message from the Director

Dear Loving Hands Family,

We are profoundly grateful for your steadfast support of our mission and the children and families we are privileged to serve. Your dedication empowers us to thrive and embody the values that define Loving Hands Children's Home. As you continue to engage with our community, we hope you see the depth of our commitment to excellence and our unwavering focus on providing exceptional care and programming. Each day, we work tirelessly to create joyful childhood memories and experiences that pave the way for brighter futures.

Your unwavering support means the world to us, and we are endlessly grateful for everything you do to make a difference. Your generosity—whether through sharing your resources, time, or heartfelt care-has been a cornerstone of our mission to uplift atrisk children in foster care. Because of you, we can provide hope, healing, and a brighter future for those who need it most.

We invite you to take your impact one step further by volunteering with us. Your handson involvement creates unforgettable moments for these children, fostering joy, trust, and confidence. Whether it's sharing a skill, lending a listening ear, or simply showing up, your presence makes a profound difference in their lives.

Together, we are building a community where every child feels valued, loved, and supported. Thank you for your incredible dedication to changing lives-you are the heart of our mission. 💞 🇯

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Animal Talk

Building trust with animals is essential for forming meaningful and harmonious connections. Trust creates a foundation where animals feel safe, secure, and confident, enabling them to respond positively to training, care, and companionship. % Building trust with animals is a profound process that not only strengthens the bond between humans and animals but also fosters personal growth. 🍆 🐥 Earning an animal's trust requires patience, empathy, and consistency—qualities that help humans become more mindful, compassionate, and self-aware. As animals begin to feel safe and secure, humans experience the reward of their genuine affection and connection, promoting emotional well-being and reducing stress. 🧎 🇯 This mutual relationship teaches us the value of vulnerability and kindness, helping us become more grounded and nurturing individuals. We welocome our new resuced Turkey family Penguin and Carmine, and we look forward to building beautiful symbiotic relationships. 🐓





Mindful Kids

We had a sparkling good time with our Mindfulness Activity: Creating calming glitter jars! * These magical jars help children calm their bodies and minds, offering a visual tool to manage stress, anxiety, or big emotions. 1 Watching the glitter swirl and settle promotes relaxation, improves focus, and teaches positive coping mechanisms. 💝 🧎 It's a fun and creative way to empower kids with mindfulness while adding a little sparkle to their day! F Our Activities have become a sanctuary of calm for both children and adults, providing a gentle escape from life's chaos. Through our Mindfulness Program, we've seen its transformative effects on children's lives.—it's a pathway to inner balance, empathy, and self-discovery. By cultivating feelings of security and compassion, we're nurturing a generation rooted in joy and self-worth. As children develop selfawareness, they grow into confident, resilient individuals, ready to navigate life with strength and grace.

Paws, Hearts, and Healing: Building Bonds That Transform Lives

Training therapy animals to work with children offers profound benefits, creating a unique, symbiotic relationship that fosters healing and growth. These animals provide comfort, reduce stress, and build trust, helping children navigate challenges with confidence and emotional stability. In return, the animals thrive through consistent care, connection, and a sense of purpose. This bond not only nurtures empathy and compassion in children but also enhances the animals' well-being, creating a beautiful cycle of mutual support and love. Forming a better



Advisory Board Members: A Call To Action

We extend our deepest gratitude to the incredible candidates and volunteers who have inquired about and those who've joined our team. Your commitment and enthusiasm inspire us as we warmly invite esteemed members of our community to unite in addressing the challenges ahead. Together, we embark on a shared journey filled with hope and the promise of discovering innovative solutions to make a difference. If you're passionate about building meaningful connections and engaging in activity that sparks positive change, we encourage you to consider joining our advisory board.

Fun With Partners















Creating Light & Love: Community Partnerships
That Shine

In this issue, we continue celebrating the incredible stories of community members, leadership groups, and organizations making a meaningful impact. Their generosity, dedication, and love fuel the heart of Loving Hands Children's Home, and we are overjoyed to share some truly special moments.

We extend a heartfelt Thanks to our wonderful Friends of IKAR for joining us for a heartwarming day in the Edible Forest! Your kindness and creativity shone brightly as we built community, crafted serene sparkling jars, and created lasting memories through the gift of professional photography from Mrs. Marjorie Cohen. The joy you brought to our children is truly priceless. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and look forward to more beautiful moments together!

We were blessed beyond measure by the beautiful souls of MITT: LP 207 "Sent from Heaven." This extraordinary group came together with their community to raise an astounding \$18,594 in support of Loving Hands Children's Home's Programming, Client Care, and Project Restoration efforts. Their energy, warmth, and compassion filled every corner of our space, leaving a lasting impression on our hearts. We are deeply honored to have connected with such bright lights and look forward to building an ongoing partnership rooted in hope and security for the children we serve.

This holiday season, new friends from Royal High School—Daniela, Mia, Cynthia, Amy, and Alpha—became true angels for our children. With hearts full of love, they "adopted" Loving Hands Children's Home, stepping in as Santa's special helpers. Thanks to their generosity and dedication, over 30 children and families experienced the magic of the holidays, creating cherished memories they will carry forever. We are beyond grateful for their kindness and support!

Our kiddos experienced something truly magical: their very first concert! Thanks to the incredible kindness of American Idol Artists Kayko, Blake Proehl, Haven Madison, Kaibrienne, and Abi Carter, our children enjoyed a star-studded event filled with music, joy, and unforgettable memories. It was an experience they otherwise would not have had, and seeing their faces light up with wonder and excitement was a gift beyond words. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making this dream come true.

These acts of kindness remind us of the power of community and the difference we can make when we come together with open hearts. To every individual, group, and organization that has supported us—you are the reason our children continue to thrive. We are endlessly thankful and look forward to creating even more beautiful memories together.

Thanks Partner!

On behalf of Loving Hands Children's Home, We want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support and collaborative efforts in fostering positive life outcomes for the youth in our community. Your commitment to building a brighter future has been instrumental in empowering children and families to overcome challenges and thrive.

Together, we've witnessed the transformative power of a strong, united community—one that nurtures, supports, and uplifts its most vulnerable members. By pooling our resources, expertise, and care, we continue to create opportunities that shape resilient, inspired, and empowered young individuals ready to lead fulfilling lives.

To organizations interested in joining this meaningful work, we warmly welcome you to partner with us.

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