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Narrative Description of Activities of Addiction Organization

Overview

The aim of Just Love & Kindness is to promote the development of young people, veterans and the forgotten and underserved members in our society in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as individuals, and as responsible citizens, as members of the community.

Why there is a need for this organization

On February 29, 2008, Jarrod Klein, her son, was involved in a dirt bike accident, resulting with many broken bones, and a traumatic brain injury, it took nearly a year to restore him physically and mentally, yet he never was quite right, forever impairing his higher executive functions. As time went by, his girlfriend, and “friends” all disappeared, he couldn’t hold a job, he couldn’t even manage a check book, and the family was forced to acquire legal guardianship to protect him, as he hated the “new” Jarrod.

As time crept by, he fell into a crowd that no parent would want their child exposed to. Very soon thereafter he was battling an addiction issue, and the plethora of rehab centers he went through all failed because he could just walk out. The family reached out and begged/pleaded to any and everyone (D.A., Judges, Police, Sheriff, Counselors/Psychologists, Churches, etc.) to please help save the child from himself, it truly was all for naught due to the mental health laws, ***not ONE person could help***. It’s been said that it takes a village to raise a child, yet the village failed him, and ultimately he failed himself.

On November 26, 2017 a knock on the door would forever change the Kleins lives. Their beloved son was viciously murdered by his “friend”. No parent should ever have to bury their child. After justice was served they vowed to make a difference in their community.

Our aim and mission of Just Love & Kindness is to be a village person/group that will be there for those who seek assistance no matter their age, race, or creed, to advocate and provide them with a helping hand, to enable and empower them rise above their circumstances, to see a pathway forward, to set goals/benchmarks and actually achieve them, whether that be through services, development, leadership, civic engagement, or advocating for their future, whatever they may need even if it is just as simple as being soft shoulder to let their cares be heard and soothed, we can and will do it.

So often it just takes a kind word, a helping hand, a loving heart to break the cycle, so often in our society we tend to forget that a soul is a soul, period. There are so many people hurting, and just need a little help. Our life story is not unique as there are many more families that have and are contending with these same issues and circumstances. Just Love and Kindness will be there to fill those voids as needed.

Youth Development Program

Just Love & Kindness will engage with local at risk youths, Youth Drug Court participants, local schools, and local veterans groups to identify and engage at risk youths through leadership initiatives. Through Just Love & Kindness community involvement will provide support initiatives, and access to caring individuals through involvement of receptive youths, veterans and underserved people seeking help within our community.

Education Program

Educating people of all groups to become informed by creating dialogue, and action plans. We will work towards and use tools to enable the participants to work with one another efficiently and effectively.

Meets people where they are, educating them on setting goals with benchmarks and strategies. Builds young people's individual competencies. Provides age appropriate support. Emphasize positive self identity, and inspire independent thinking about a goal oriented lifestyle, short and long term goals, benchmarks, and pathways to achieve success. Also assists veterans and the underserved within the community with the same tools, and resources to achieve success.

Leadership Program

Just Love & Kindness will build in authentic leadership opportunities within outreach and organization. Helps young people and veterans deepen historical and cultural understanding of their experiences and community issues. Builds skills and capacities of young people and the veteran community enabling people to be decision makers and problem solvers. Promoting community projects aimed to meet the needs of those who seek assistance.

Engagement Program

Just Love & Kindness builds skills and capacity for action around issues the youth, veteran, and underserved community identify. Begins to help these groups build a collective identity to become agents of change within their peer groups. Empowers these groups in advocacy and negotiation.

Communicate proactively in the community. Raising awareness of our issues to educate people about our cause; we will gather evidence of the needs and available resources and use this information to a sustainable purpose, scope and timescale of the engagement and the actions to be taken. Encourage Discussion to Forge Relationships, we will ensure necessary information is communicated between the participants, and we will work effectively with others with an interest in the engagement.

Participate and Host in Local Events, Golf Tournaments, Community Events, School Events, Veterans Events and Youth Court Systems. Offering meaningful opportunities of support to participate.

Outreach Program

Builds a membership base of volunteers to engage, support, mentor, and uplift youth, veterans, and underserved individuals. Involves these groups of people with core members, community members and assists them in achieving their short and long term goals. Creates and engages coalitions and alliances.

Make engagement a priority and establish an infrastructure. Engaging our community to keep people inspired by and active in our work; identifying and involving the people and organizations with an interest in the focus of the engagement. Create a support network; recruit like minded individuals that seek to be part of the solution through identifying and overcoming any barriers to involvement. Be A Partner For Your Community; Leverage The Community For Knowledge, Turn community supporters into leaders and advocates.

Advocacy Program

Advocating on our issues and purpose to change hearts and minds; Listen to the community and respond to its feedback, ascertaining the use methods of engagement that are fit for purpose. Create Beneficial Opportunities; developing the skills, knowledge and confidence of all the participants enlightening and awakening their perspective . Foster and create an agent of change mindset.

Distribution to Other Organizations and Individuals

We do not fundraise for any specific organization and Just Love & Kindness is not organized solely to contribute or fundraise for any specific entity. However, at the discretion of the board of

directors we may at times, choose to contribute to other organizations who share a similar mission and only if the contributions further our exempt status.

One example of an organization which we may contribute to is the “Haven Homes” (EIN 90-1004117) which is a U.S.-based, nonprofit, 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization that focuses drug abuse, alcoholism, and addiction which shares a similar mission to just Love & Kindness exempt purpose.

Just Love & Kindness may exercise its right under law to contribute to non 501 (c)(3) organizations only on the condition that Just Love & Kindness retains control over the use of the funds and maintaining records showing that the funds are used for exclusively charitable purposes in accordance to our mission.