



June 2024



Dear Friends,

June is a time of celebration! We had lots of grads and dads to commemorate. My son Chuck and I had the pleasure of participating in the graduation of the class of 2024 at Mi Escuelita Therapeutic Preschool in South Bay, San Diego. Every graduate got their own Comfort Cub to take home with them, so they can start their first year of kindergarten off right.

It's always fun to pay tribute to the wonderful dads in our lives on Father's Day. But just like Mother's Day can be difficult for mothers who have lost a child, it can be a challenging time for grieving dads. We recognize this and hope the day was gentle for all our dads who have

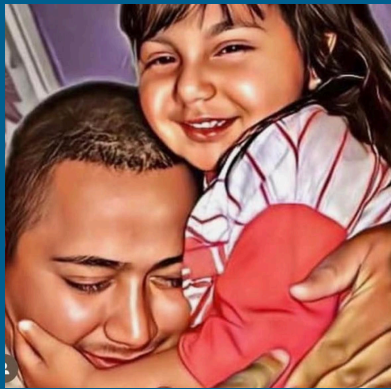
experienced this great loss.

This month we also brought Comfort Cubs to Your Safe Place in San Diego. The Cubs will be a great therapeutic tool to assist in the forensic interview process in child abuse cases. It's our honor to help people in very difficult situations. This is possible thanks to your support.

June marks the beginning of summer, so we hope you take the time to have fun and enjoy the sunshine with your family and friends! As always, thank you for your continued love and support.

Warmly,

Marcella



Honoring Fathers

We want to pause and honor fathers who have experienced the tremendous loss of their child. We honor all you have done to support your family through their grief, while you grieve silently. We see you, acknowledge your pain and we hope you had a gentle Father's Day filled with peace.



Mi Escuelita 2024 Graduation!

We were honored to attend the graduation ceremony for the children of **SBCS's Mi Escuelita Therapeutic Preschool** in San Diego. We always have so much fun with our friends at Mi Escuelita because the kids are just so darn cute and we love the staff! Congratulations to the 2024 graduates!

"Their future is so bright!"

Mi Escuelita is a therapeutic preschool specifically for children who have been involved in or witnessed domestic violence. There are therapists in each classroom to assist with the children's mental and emotional health. The Comfort Cub is one of the therapeutic tools they use to help the children self-soothe. We also have an accompanying "My Feelings" booklet that teaches children to identify their feelings and learn to control their emotions. We work with this wonderful preschool throughout the year and we love to join them for their very special graduation ceremony.



"The Cubs have been a valuable and multi-functional gift to our preschoolers."

- Stacey Musso, Director

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Your Safe Place Supporting Our Community

We recently donated Comfort Cubs to **Your Safe Place**, the very first family justice center in the United States, which happens to be located in San Diego. Your Safe Place provides comprehensive services to anyone who's experienced domestic violence, family violence, elder abuse, sexual assault, or sex trafficking. They recently expanded their Children's Forensic Interview Center and needed more Cubs to help comfort children during their interview process.

"The children from those forensic interviews have really loved receiving Comfort Cubs to take with them. We appreciate your commitment to

providing Cubs to the children that come through our doors."





"I'm a MCH Educator for Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in the County of San Bernardino. We are looking for support to aid in the healing journey for our families who have lost an angel. We have a very large high risk population and would love to get support from your organization. Anything would help us help our families." - P.P.



My son was diagnosed with stage 4 Ewing's Sarcoma just before Covid, when he was in 8th grade. He fought long and hard for over four years before he lost his fight and went peacefully in my arms. My other three children are devastated and I was hoping to receive a bear for my youngest son. - A.Z.



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