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KIDS IMPACT COMMUNITY MARKS 10TH ANNIVERSARY WITH FAMILY FUNDRAISER

More than 200 children and their families celebrate milestone

MILWAUKEE, WIS. November 11, 2024 --- Kids Impact Community (KIC) proudly celebrated its tenth anniversary on Friday November 8th through a successful family friendly fundraiser. With more than 200 attendees, the celebration was more than just a party, it was a powerful demonstration of KIC's ongoing commitment to empowering young minds through meaningful community engagement and service.

KIC was founded in 2014 with a goal of demonstrating to children of all ages that they are responsible for and capable of being dynamic and change-making citizens within their community through partnerships and service experiences.

"When I was first staying at home with my children, I thought, perfect, we'll be able to dedicate a good amount of time to service in our community," said Lynn Raines, co-founder and executive director at KIC. "The reality was however that most places wanted our kids to be 14 or older to volunteer."

"We thought – what a missed opportunity. There's so much children can learn through service work, from communication skills to giving back, to learning from people of diverse backgrounds rather than just those in their home. We didn't want to pay a babysitter to take care of our kids so we could go volunteer, we wanted them to come with us," Raines continued.

Inspired by the lack of options available, KIC was born with a vision to create a space where families could engage in service projects together, fostering a sense of community and instilling the values of kindness and respect in the next generation.

KIC now works with more than 37 partner organizations including Milwaukee Diaper Mission, Our Next Generation, Kinship Community Food Center, Milwaukee Women's Center, Just One More Ministry, and many more. In 2023, the organization connected more than 3,000 child and family volunteers to more than 100 service projects.

KIC remains steadfast in its dedication to create opportunities for children and their caregivers to engage in enriching experiences that promote personal and social development while benefiting the larger Milwaukee community. For more about KIC and how to get involved, please visit: https://kicmke.org.

Kids Impact Community, LLC is a Milwaukee-based 501(c)3 nonprofit that provides volunteer experiences in partnership with diverse and effective local nonprofits, specifically structured for children of all ages and their caregivers. KIC works to educate, empower and engage area youth by exposing them to age-appropriate community service activities, supporting these critical nonprofits today while growing the next generation of volunteers for the needs of tomorrow. Learn more about KIC by visiting www.kicmke.org, Instagram or Facebook.

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