



October 15, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

While we normally hold our Annual Online Auction each November, In honor of National Adoption Month, our 7th Annual Online Auction has been postponed until January of 2025 due to the devastation in the Suncoast Region from the recent Hurricanes. Manatee County Foster & Adoptive Parent Association, a 501 C 3 organization (Tax ID: 65-0869643) will be holding an Online Auction to help provide Support and Programs to our county's foster and adoptive parents, as well as the children in their care. Manatee County FAPA serves foster and adoptive families in Florida's Twelfth Judicial Circuit, which is comprised of Manatee, Sarasota and DeSoto Counties.

Did you know that there are over 5,000 children in foster care in the State of Florida that are eligible for adoption? While the goal of foster care is reunification with family, that is not always possible. When children are unable to be reunified, there is a need for families in our State to step up to become Forever Families. We will take time during National Adoption Month to help highlight the need for Adoptive Families for children already legally freed for adoption, as well as to highlight some of the amazing adoptive families that our Association serves.

Our auction proceeds will benefit our current Programs and Services for local foster and adoptive families, which include our Welcome Bags for Foster Children, Adoption Congratulations Packages, Monthly Trainings, Back to School Bash and Holiday Celebration. In addition, this year, we are kicking off a special Kids Night Out program just for Adoptive Families! As costs rise for goods and services, our small non-profit has been impacted. We want to continue to offer this support and more but need to raise even more funds to be able to do so. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 in this year's event to help cover the increased costs of administering our programs over the next year.

If you, or your business, are able to contribute a monetary Sponsorship or an item that can be included in our Online Auction, please contact our Association at Info@ManateeCountyFAPA.com. If a volunteer has brought this letter to you, in-person, they are visiting on our behalf and the Sponsorship Check or Donated Item along with the Donation Form may be given to the volunteer or it may be mailed to MCFAPA, PO Box 20362, Bradenton, FL 34204.

Sincerely,

Michele A. Connizzo

President

Manatee County Foster & Adoptive Parent Association

Manatee County Foster & Adoptive Parent Association
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2024 Online Auction Sponsorship & In-Kind Donation Opportunities

Inspire Sponsorship- \$2500

Serve as the Presenting Sponsor of the 2024 Online Auction with Logo prominently displayed on all event information with Presenting Sponsor designation. Company logo on Auction Website, MCFAPA Website and on Social Media.

Empower Sponsorship- \$1250

Serve as the Official Sponsor of One Month of our Adoptive Family Kids Night Out Program. Company Logo displayed on Auction Website, MCFAPA Website & Social Media.

Achieve Sponsorship- \$1000

Serve as the official Sponsor of One Month of MCFAPA Storage. Company Name Displayed on MCFAPA Website and thank you on Social Media.

Motivate Sponsorship- \$500

Serve as the official sponsor of 5 Adoption Congratulations Packages. Company Name Displayed on MCFAPA Website. Company Name will be included in official Social Media thank you.

Encourage Sponsorship- \$250

Serve as Sponsor of 10 Foster Care Welcome Bags. Company Name Displayed on MCFAPA Website. Company Name will be included in official Social Media thank you.

In-Kind Item or Gift Certificate Donation

Business Donor name will be listed with item donation on Auction Website listing. We kindly ask for the item donated to have a minimum value of \$25.00. Items valued at \$250 and above will receive Sponsorship benefits noted above.

Proceeds from our 7th Annual MCFAPA Online Auction will help to grow the programs and services of Manatee County FAPA. We serve foster & adoptive families in Manatee, Sarasota & DeSoto Counties.

Sponsorship Level: _____

For In-Kind: Item Description: _____ Value: _____

Contact Person : _____

Email Address: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please make checks payable to Manatee County Foster and Adoptive Parent Association and mail to MCFAPA, PO Box 20362, Bradenton, FL 34204 by October 25, 2024 to get the full benefit of your sponsorship package. Questions? Please email info@ManateeCountyFAPA.com or visit www.manateecountyfapa.com