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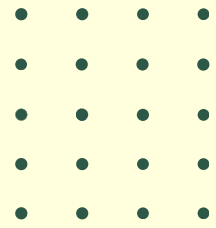
Kindness Matters

Impact Report

*a year of kindness in motion across classrooms,
communities, and continents*

LETTER FROM THE CEO

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Dear Friends,

When I reflect on this past year, one word rises above all others: **gratitude.**

This was a year of growth and possibility. Deeper work in schools, stronger support for educators and students, and a growing belief that kindness truly can be taught as a skill.

But what I'm most proud of isn't a number or a program. It's the people. The team who showed up with heart. The educators who opened their doors and trusted us with their students. The donors and supporters who chose, again and again, to invest in the world we all hope to live in.

This year reminded me that impact isn't about how much we do, it's about how deeply we do it. And every day, I see the proof: when people are given the tools to practice gratitude, compassion, and kindness, those skills ripple outward. From self, to others, to the world.

To everyone who has been part of that ripple: **thank you.** For your trust, your generosity, and your belief that kindness matters.

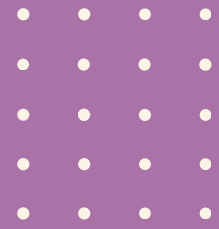
I'm proud of what we built together this year and even more excited for what comes next.

— Dido Balla



A MORE HOLISTIC APPROACH

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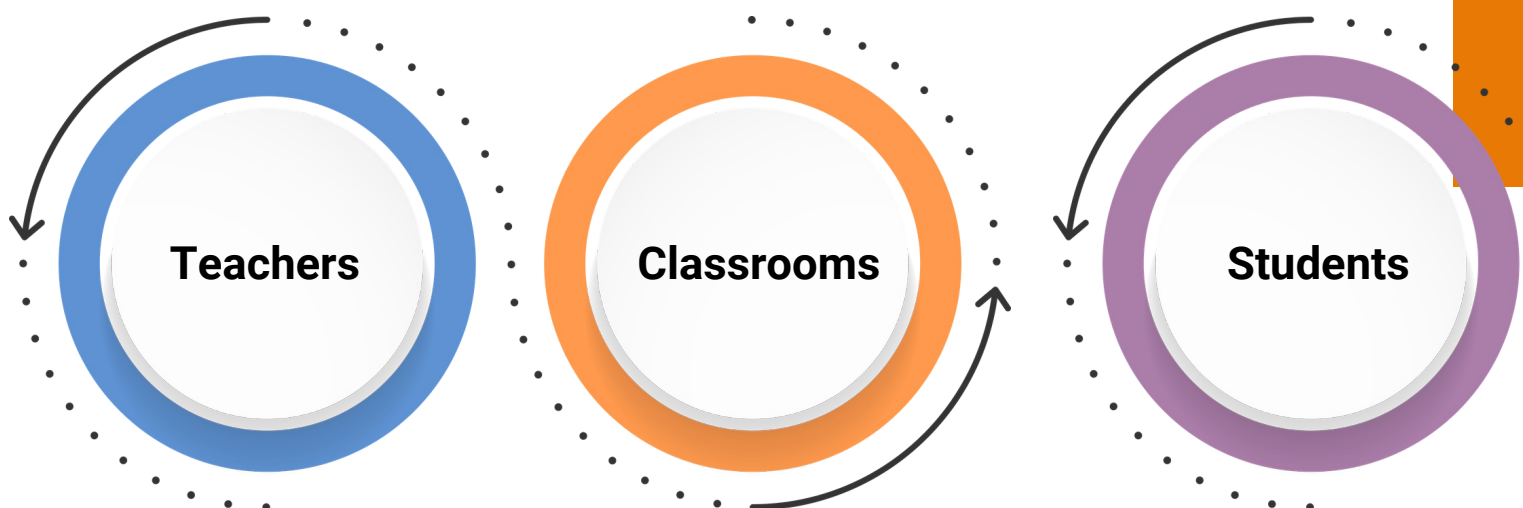


Reaching every child by supporting every teacher.

This year, we changed how we create impact.

By training every teacher at a school, every child in that building now benefits from **kindness**, all year long. Combined with our Kindness Clubs and school-wide initiatives, we're no longer reaching students one program at a time.

We're transforming whole school communities.



OUR PROGRAMMING IMPACT

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Kindness, taught in every setting.

9000+

students reached

450+

educators trained

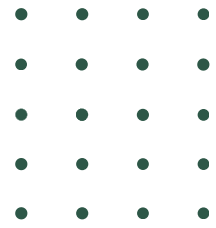
25+

Kindness Clubs

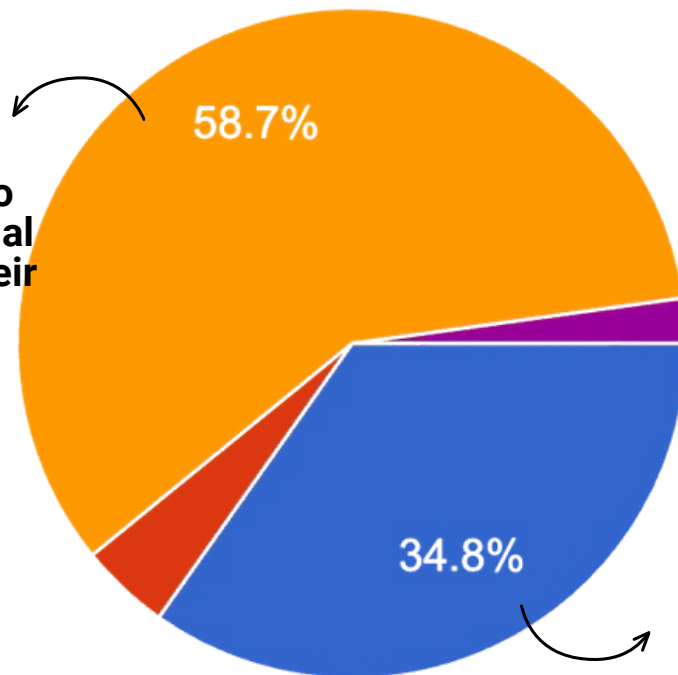


THE PROOF

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of educators left planning to model emotional regulation in their classrooms



of educators left planning to practice a kindness skill with their students

92%

said the training deepened their understanding of how kindness supports student mental health

had an increased understanding of social emotional learning (SEL) and its role in the classroom

85%



WHERE WE SHOWED UP

This year, we brought workshops and trainings to:

- Palm Beach School of Autism
- Donna Klein Jewish Academy
- Northwestern Leigh High School
- Planned Council
- Emerging Minds
- Jewish Family Services
- Miami Beach Senior High
- Dreyfoos School of the Arts
- South Palm Beach County Principals Meeting
- Boca Raton Museum of Art
- Rotary Club
- Rolling Green
- Coral Sunset Elementary
- Calusa Elementary
- Freedom Shores Elementary
- Poinciana Point Elementary –g
- Senior Citizen Mindfulness Workshop
- ALUMS



OUR GLOBAL IMPACT

Kindness knows no borders

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The Dominican Republic

- *programming in 2 villages*



Cameroon, Africa

- *3 schools served*
- *desks + chairs donated*
- *local entrepreneur supported*



Puerto Rico

- *community partnership + support*



KINDNESS DAY OF SERVICE

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Our first-ever Kindness Matters Day of Service brought volunteers of all ages together across Palm Beach County.

It began at the Boca Raton Museum of Art with coffee, connection, and a "Kindness Village" before volunteers fanned out to serve.



One day. One community. Countless acts of kindness.

KINDNESS GROWS THROUGH PARTNERSHIP



MEN GIVING BACK
SOUTH PALM BEACH COUNTY

BOCA RATON MUSEUM OF ART



LOOKING AHEAD

This is just the beginning.

This year, we watched kindness cross every border we placed before it. We saw a teacher carry it to hundreds of students. We saw a community show up, on one Saturday morning, ready to serve. We saw a young woman in Cameroon become the first of many her village will celebrate.

Every child who learns to name their feelings, every teacher who leads with compassion, every volunteer who gives a Saturday, every act of kindness offered freely, with no borders and no conditions, each one is a ripple. And ripples become waves.

We believe kindness can change the world. Not all at once, but the way it always has.. **one person, one classroom, one community at a time.**

Thank you for being part of the movement.

Because the book of kindness is still being written. And the best chapters are still *ahead*.

