

REALTORS® for Kids Fund

The REALTORS® for Kids Fund was established in 2003 to foster community involvement of the local REALTOR® organization and provide a means for the organization to give back to their communities. The 2003 REALTORS® for Kids Auction was the kick off to a fund raising campaign that has to date collected over \$175,000 which is available for children in need throughout the North-



ern Black Hills communities of Lead/Deadwood, Sturgis, Belle Fourche, Newell and Spearfish.



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Serving children of
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Hills communities

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Our commitment to our communities in the Northern Black Hills starts with our commitment to the children. The opportunities afforded



them is our responsibility. Each and everyone of us has the opportunity to spread the message that the REALTORS® for Kids Fund is available for those children in need of financial

assistance.

How does it Work?

This is the easy part. As a member of the Northern Black Hills Association of REALTORS® you need only to relay the message to your community that the REALTORS® for Kids Fund is available and then refer any individual in need to a member of the committee. A funding request form is available from the Northern Black Hills Association office or can be downloaded from the RFK website at RealtorsForKids.org.

Fund Raising Efforts

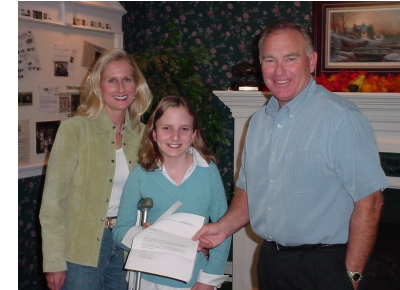
2008's REALTORS® for Kids Auction was an overwhelming success. With over 180 members and Affiliates in attendance, more than \$35,000 was raised. Items available for auction were donated by local merchants and Real Estate offices throughout the Northern Black Hills.



Additional contributions to the fund have continued to pour in ... individual contributions from members and Affiliates have been received and showcase events such as "Tee it up for the Kids" help keep the program top of mind.

Where is money going?

So far the REALTORS® for Kids Fund has found its way into many places. Major donations to organizations such as the Lutheran Social Services program "Changing Children's Lives" and Suncatcher's Therapeutic Riding Academy were the mainstays the first two years. Today however, REALTORS® for Kids, Inc. has a much broader reach with many individual contributions made to children and families requiring some level of assistance for many different reasons. Over \$115,000 has been disbursed for clothing, medical care, glasses, shoes, daycare and more. Hundreds of children and families have benefited from the generosity of REALTORS® who play such an important role in the administration of the REALTORS® for Kids, Inc. organization.



Gift Funding Priorities

The REALTORS® for Kids Funding Committee has identified the following hierarchy for handling the disbursement of funds.

1. Community-based organizations that provide on-site care for children that are abused, neglected or abandoned.
2. Kids with medical needs, especially those who require immediate and ongoing treatment.
3. School and Community involvement. There is a demand for money for kids that want to be involved in school and community activities, such as band, soccer, debate, etc.

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