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SEALKIDS is Thankful!



Thank you [Mike Matheny](#) and The Catch 22 Foundation for supporting SEALKIDS. The Catch 22 Foundation raised \$101,000 to help support the children of Naval Special Warfare. The event, Guns, Clubs, and Guitars, took place at Old Hickory Golf Club. SEALKIDS is grateful to the 250+ attendees who made the event a success. Thank you for your commitment to SEALKIDS.

Pictured above: (Left) Dr. Gretchen McIntosh, SEALKIDS' Executive Director, and Suzanne Vogel, SEALKIDS' Founder and Program Director joined by Christian singer, Jonny Diaz, who preformed at the event. (Right) Steve Van Horn, SEALKIDS' Board of Advisory member, joined by Mike Matheny.



Thank you to the [Queen Elizabeth II Garden](#) for raising \$42,000 to support SEALKIDS. We are grateful for your commitment to serving the children of Naval Special Warfare.

Partners like you ensure our ability to positively impact the lives of ordinary children living in extraordinary circumstances.

Check out this month's blog from
SEALKIDS' Founder and Program
Director, Suzanne Vogel

<https://sealkids.org/if-i-had-to-do-it-all-over-again/>.

IF I HAD TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN...

As a young mom, I remember being told to take a "wait and see" approach as my child struggled through the first three years of elementary school. Yes, the school implemented extra support, but it never made the difference or put him in step with the other children. He started to show signs of depression as school became the place where he was most likely to not succeed.

If I had it to do over again, I would have requested he receive a psycho-educational evaluation at the end of first grade. The signs were all there, but I was told year after year to wait and see. I eventually had a private evaluation done. The testing diagnosed three

From a SEALKIDS Parent

"So thankful for your help! I felt so helpless and overwhelmed when our son's teacher told us she thought he might have a learning disability. One contact with SEALKIDS and we had clear steps to proceed with getting our son tested and getting him the therapy he needed."

-SEALKIDS Parent



Help change the life of a child by supporting SEALKIDS...



As we approach the end of 2019, SEALKIDS is honored to have been able to serve more families this year than ever before. Our organization continues to grow to meet the need of the Naval Special Warfare community and we dream of the day when we are able to provide services to every family that needs them.

However, our growing impact also means growing costs, and we need your continued support to make that dream a reality.

We are trying to raise \$100,000 by the end of the year so that we can continue to serve every family that requests our help. Your support is key to meeting this goal. Please join our mission clicking the donate button to giving online.

The average cost to serve one child is \$5000.

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