



Spirit of a
Child Foundation
We Help Families Grow Stronger

Founded and incorporated on December 16, 2004, in Tallahassee, Florida, by Sharon M. Wynn, the Spirit of a Child Foundation (SOAC), is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, IRS Tax ID 20-2023465. The foundation's mission statement is "We Help Families Grow Stronger" with a goal to end generational cycles of dysfunction in families by building and strengthening relationship bonds between parents and their children. The foundation has no paid employees and an all-volunteer force assists with all events.

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Catch
The Spirit

Our Inspiration

What We Are About.

The Spirit of a Child Foundation is fast becoming a growing voice for our most vulnerable citizens – children. One primary mission guides our vision – **helping families grow stronger.**

We believe that children are the world's most precious gifts and that their childhood should be filled with joy, laughter, and a future full of possibility. The key to raising emotionally healthy children is to nurture their inner spirit with time, presence, gentle encouragement, and plenty of love.

Through our funding, environmental educational programs, and partnerships, we focus on issues that government programs do not currently or adequately address. We help established organizations provide the necessary tools and valuable knowledge for parents to love their children and help parents understand the importance of developing a strong family unit and provide the tools that give parents the ability to articulate and create a nurturing bond between themselves and their children. Those bonds will last a lifetime.

Our Involvement

How We Help.

Parent-Child Project

Each year the Spirit of a Child Foundation conducts the Parent-Child Project, a nature retreat for selected families to participate in environmental education and activities that require family members to work together and build healthy communication skills. The criterion for the families is that they are in a situation of financial hardship, such as a parent living with cancer, a family living in extreme poverty, or a military family adversely affected by combat who may suffer from a physical or emotional injury, including post-traumatic stress disorder or a loss of a parent.

Past Parent-Child Projects invited families from UrbanPromise in Camden, NJ, and the Colorado Office of Children, Youth, and Families to John Denver's Windstar Foundation's EARTHcamp in Old Snowmass, CO. It was an unforgettable experience. Television magazine 20/20 with Diane Sawyer even joined us in Colorado to film footage for its special "Waiting on the World to Change."

In 2014 "our families" were treated to a three day excursion to Saint George Island with the help of Journeys of Saint George Island, Saint George Island Inn and the kindness of all our supporters! Each day was packed with incredible fun and life changing opportunities to explore and experience things they have no real chance to do.

Our Funding

How Everyone Helps Us.

From Benefit Concerts to Donations

"Rockin' With Spirit" is our major fund raising event for the year. It gives us the opportunity to raise important funds while bringing nationally known and local musicians, and performers to the community for an evening of great entertainment and fun. With performers like the Marshall Tucker Band, Donovan Chapman, Chris Collins, Jeff Shields, The Nick Clemons Band, Boyd & Wood to television personalities such as Tia Torres from "Pit Bulls and Parolees", the concert is the focal point for our continuing efforts to make a strong impact on the lives of our "families".

The hard work and commitment of our volunteers as well as monetary donations, fuel the Spirit of a Child Foundation. Through that generosity, we continue helping families and their children grow strong, healthy parent-child relationships. The work we do is real and we are thrilled to share our love for nature with those who may never have an opportunity to experience it.

We Need Your Help.

The outlook for Spirit of a Child Foundation is continued growth, and we need your support to fund and expand our Parent-Child Projects. To find out more about us, donate, or volunteer, follow our blog, Facebook page, or contact us at sharon@spiritofachild.org.

