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*The Florida Center supports the healthy development of young children, specializing in those with delays, disabilities, or mental health challenges.*

**Our mission:**  
*To help build and foster strong families and expand the potential of young children.*



Dear Community Partner,

Join us in building strong foundations for local children and families by supporting The Florida Center's 35<sup>th</sup> annual benefit, *Castle by the Sea*, on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 6:30pm. Just as castle guests find shelter and safety within its walls, so too do the children and families who receive crucial services at The Florida Center.

Castles are comprised of a solid stone structure that shields them from erosion and other detrimental elements. Our agency provides therapeutic services that strengthen children and families so they are able to build themselves a strong foundation and have the tools to withstand life's challenges.

Will you make a tax-deductible "in-kind" donation of an item or certificate to be showcased during the evening's silent auction? All funds raised strengthen our agency's therapeutic services and early education in southwest Florida, helping children and families reach emotional, academic, and developmental goals.

Enclosed you will find an in-kind donation form for your consideration. For more information, contact Merab Favorite at 941-371-8820 x 1025 or email [Merab.favorite@thefloridacenter.org](mailto:Merab.favorite@thefloridacenter.org). Together, we can continue to "Build Strong Families...One Child at a Time."

Sincerely yours,

Kristie Skoglund  
Chief Executive Officer

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### AUCTION ITEM DONATION FORM

The Florida Center for Early Childhood is requesting the donation of an item to be showcased in the silent auction at the agency's annual fundraiser. All proceeds from this event benefit The Florida Center, a 501-c3 nonprofit organization providing critical services for local children and families. (Tax ID: 59-1947024)

**Please complete the form below to ensure that we can properly acknowledge your donation.**  
Kindly return the form along with the donated items by November 1, 2022.

<b>Business Name:</b> _____		
<b>Contact Name:</b> _____		
<b>Mailing Address:</b> _____		
<b>City:</b> _____	<b>State:</b> _____	<b>Zip Code:</b> _____
<b>Phone Number:</b> _____	<b>Fax Number:</b> _____	
<b>E-mail address:</b> _____		
<b>Auction item(s) donated:</b> _____		
_____		
_____		
<b>Company or donor wishes to be listed in print material as:</b> _____		
<b>Value of item(s):</b> _____	<b>Expiration of item:</b> _____	

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