



Kara Houck running in the early morning hours



Diamond and Jaime Novinger sharing a run

## Run-on-the-Roof 2007 Highlights



The Kids Trust presents a grant check.

The four agencies that significantly benefited from **TKT** last year:

- Rejoice, Inc.
- YWCA
- Family Service Partners
- AdoptionLinks

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## Mission Statement

**The Kids Trust (TKT)** was created by Gary L. Houck, Jr. "To help young children of abuse grow up in a safe, happy and exciting environment." He had the mission statement and board of directors established prior to his death, and gave much thought to these selections and purpose.

In his memory, **The Kids Trust** foundation is established and aligned with The Foundation for Enhancing Communities. His family and TKT Board will establish the activities and benefactors of TKT. It is a perpetual foundation, and will always accept contributions, suggestions and seek to fulfill TKT mission.

**The Kids Trust** foundation will allow Gary's love and efforts to continue for years to come.

Thanks to our many loyal supporters, TKT has and will continue to grant *significant* resources, to *specifically* help prevent and treat child abuse. We ask you to consider supporting the TKT mission.

*Make a Difference in the Life of a Child!*

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The Kids Trust Board of Directors consists of:

Kara A. Houck, Director	Eric Miller	Rosemary Browne, Advisor
Lauren Aronson	Roger S. North	
Brad Beldon	Jaime S. Novinger	
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## Run-on-the-Roof Relay

This fundraiser, benefiting **The Kids Trust**, will start Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm and run until Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm. The run will take place on a treadmill located on the rooftop of Madden Physical Therapy Building in Harrisburg. Join in for the food and fun!

**Saturday, June 21**  
**10:00 am - 2:00 pm**  
there will be

- City Islanders
- Food
- Games
- Fun!



## This year's grants to be awarded Saturday at noon!

- Who:** Anyone wanting to make a difference in the life of a child!
- What:** Benefiting and increasing awareness for **The Kids Trust** mission!
- Where:** Madden Physical Therapy Building, 49 South Prince Street, Harrisburg, PA 17109
- When:** June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 pm through June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 pm

Any questions and/or suggestions, contact Austin Rhodes at 717-574-9008  
email: arhodes@houcks.com or austin@thekidstrust.org

## Your call may make the difference in the life of a child.

### How can I get help if I am a child or teen who is being abused?

Call the National Child Abuse Hotline:  
**1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)**

Some kids are afraid to report the abuse because they fear punishment, loss of love, or family dishonor for telling a secret. The hotline will make sure you are protected from further abuse. They will help you to report the abuse to an agency that will make sure you are safe. The hotline staff members will call Child Protective Services or the police and stay on the line in a three-way call to help you talk to the agency.

The hotline can also help you find ongoing support from caring adults. It is not your fault that you are being abused, and you need help from other adults to protect your safety.

### How do I report suspected child abuse?

Many people don't know where to report suspected child abuse. Some people are afraid of reporting child abuse because of possible repercussions to the children or to themselves. In many states, it is required by law for all citizens to report suspected abuse. To get immediate guidance and help when you suspect child abuse, call the National Child Abuse Hotline: **1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)**

- You do not have to give your name when you report child abuse, in most states.
- The child abuser cannot find out who reported them.

## How to Stop Child Abuse in a Public Place

*(provided by the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse)*

It can be uncomfortable to watch a child mistreated by an adult who's out of control. Fortunately, there are things you can do to help.

### Start

Start a conversation with the adult to direct attention away from the child. Say something such as:

- "Children can wear you out, can't they?  
Is there anything I can do to help?"
- "She seems to be trying your patience."
- "My child has gotten upset like that too."
- "He has beautiful (eyes)."  
— This can encourage a more positive mood for the parent.

### Divert

Talk to the child to divert the child's attention if misbehaving.

### Look

Look for the first opportunity to praise the parent and child.

### Offer

Offer assistance if the child is in danger. For example, if the child is left unattended in a grocery cart, stand by the child until the parent returns.

### Avoid

Avoid negative remarks or looks. These reactions are likely to increase the parent's anger and make matters worse.