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Jasmin and Melissa,

Thank you so much for speaking with me today. As promised, I am sending additional details about Camp Kangaroo (an annual bereavement camp sponsored by Seasons Hospice Foundation in collaboration with AccentCare Hospice) and our flyers for your review (and hopefully council approval!).

This camp will be in Stuart though we are striving to reach as many grieving families as possible throughout Martin, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie Counties.

Camp Kangaroo offers children and families a safe and supportive environment to express their grief through various therapeutic avenues including music, art, and pet therapy as well as age-appropriate support groups and activities. Through Camp Kangaroo, children can connect with other grieving children and learn that they are not alone. We would be very grateful to partner with the City of Port St. Lucie in hopes of reaching as many families in need as we can. We look forward to collaborating with you!

I am sharing a news clip from our recent Camp Kangaroo in Miami (and pictures!).

<https://www.local10.com/news/local/2026/01/25/miami-camp-helps-grieving-children-heal-through-art-and-play/>

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Find support at Camp Kangaroo

Camp Kangaroo by AccentCare and sponsored by the Seasons Hospice Foundation is a free bereavement camp providing a supportive and therapeutic environment for children and teens who have experienced the death of someone close.

Led by dedicated professionals

Camp Kangaroo is led by caring professionals and trained AccentCare Hospice volunteers. It offers children and teens a chance to connect, build friendships and feel less alone in their grief – while receiving grief education, emotional support and enjoying fun camp activities.

Who should attend?

Camp Kangaroo is for children and teens ages 5–17 who have lost someone close within the past three years.

Save the date

When

September 26 – 27 2026, from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Where

YMCA of the Treasure Coast
1700 SE Monterey Rd, Stuart, FL 34996

Register by

August 25, 2026

Discover more about **Camp Kangaroo** and how to register.



Seasons Hospice Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) organization supporting hospice patients and their loved ones. Our funds also provide programs to the bereaved in the communities we serve. Camp Kangaroo is fully funded by Seasons Hospice Foundation. Our programs, including Camp Kangaroo, are possible because of the generous support of individual, corporate, and foundation donors. If you would like to make a donation to Seasons Hospice Foundation, please visit seasonsfoundation.org/donate

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Learn more by connecting with your **local Camp Kangaroo coordinator**.

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Camp Kangaroo: Therapeutic approach

Camp Kangaroo draws from a variety of clinical frameworks for working with grieving children and adolescents. William Worden's *Tasks of Mourning* guide the overarching goals.

- Accept the reality of the loss
- Work through the pain of grief
- Adjust to an environment where the deceased is missing
- Find an enduring connection with the deceased while moving forward

The program also follows principles outlined by The Dougy Center and The National Center for Grieving Children and Families:

- Grief is unique to each individual
- The intensity and duration of grief vary for each person
- Everyone has the capacity to heal
- Support is an essential part of the grieving process

Camp Kangaroo feedback

- 96%** said understand grief better
- 100%** felt counselors were supportive
- 96%** would recommend Camp Kangaroo to other kids who have lost a loved one

Program goals

- Help children understand grief and express their feelings
- Provide age-appropriate education about death and dispel myths
- Foster peer support by connecting campers with others experiencing similar loss
- Encourage children to honor their loved one and begin moving forward

Discover more about Camp Kangaroo and how to register.



Before camp, a clinician meets with each youth and their parent/guardian to assess needs and create a personalized plan. Therapy groups follow a structured curriculum to guide campers through the tasks of mourning.

- Finding our commonalities
- Death as change
- Grief emotions
- Dealing with sorrow
- Dealing with anger
- Ask the doctor
- Memories and remembrance
- Moving forward through grief

Learn more by connecting with your **local Camp Kangaroo coordinator, Isabella Rojas.**

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2026 Camp Kangaroo



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Please send me the full details of your program and how this is in PSL.

Kindly,



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