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**PERDIDO KEY ROTARY CLUB WINS THEIR FIRST GRANT TO HELP FILL JANE'S CLOSET**

Perdido Key Rotary is a small but mighty group of individuals with a passion for serving their community and finding new ways to make an impact. They took that passion and began to research and create their very first grant proposal in their history as an organization. While researching they came across Gulf Coast Kid's House (GCKH) and their volunteer organized closet affectionately known as "Jane's Closet.". GCKH is a child advocacy center assisting victims of child abuse in Escambia County and the closet serves as a home for new and gently used items donated from the community and available to child clients and their family members.

The Perdido Key Rotary Club members wrote a grant asking for funds to purchase items for the closet and also encouraged the Rotary Foundation to match those funds for a total of \$2500.00. The grant was approved and was presented to Megan Chapman, the Outreach Director for GCKH, at Rotary's weekly breakfast meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup> at Triggers. Special guests Rotary District 6940 Governor, Roger Champion and Assistant Governor, Innes Richards were in attendance.

Some Perdido Key Rotarians and Gulf Coast Kid's House staff and volunteers will shop to help fill Jane's Closet during the "tax free weekend" on Friday August 5<sup>th</sup> at Walmart on Blue Angel Parkway. If you'd like to donate please go to [www.gulfcoastkidshouse.org](http://www.gulfcoastkidshouse.org).



**Gulf Coast Kid's House, Inc.** an independent 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that receives 70% of its support from the community. In 2015, Gulf Coast Kid's House provided services to over 3,100 abused and neglected children. The trained professionals under one roof investigate, treat, and prosecute cases of child sexual and physical abuse, and severe neglect; education in child abuse prevention is also provided.