

Cards For A Cause and Cardz For Kidz Announce Exciting Merger to Expand Their Reach and Impact

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Chicago, IL — Cards For A Cause and Cardz For Kidz, two organizations deeply committed to spreading joy, comfort, and encouragement, are thrilled to announce their merger. This union combines both organizations' resources, volunteer networks, and shared passion for creating meaningful moments for those facing challenges. Together, the organizations will reach more children, brighten more lives, and extend their services to individuals in need.

The newly merged organization will continue under the name **Cardz For Kidz**. By merging, they will build upon their legacy of providing personalized, hand-crafted cards of encouragement to children battling illness. The goal is to alleviate the stress of difficult times, bringing a sense of hope and connection during some of life's most challenging moments.

"This merger is a monumental step forward in our mission to deliver comfort and ease the stress of difficult times," said Zachary Heacox, Executive Director of Cards For A Cause. **"By joining forces with Cardz For Kidz, we will not only continue bringing joy to children in hospitals but expand our outreach to other communities in need. This partnership will allow us to reach even more individuals, offering comfort and support in times of crisis."**

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Cards For A Cause has been dedicated to providing comfort during times of crisis, whether by celebrating holidays or offering support during moments of loss. The organization has continued to deliver heartfelt, personalized cards and messages of encouragement. A prime example of this commitment was when Cards For A Cause created personalized, uplifting cards for students at Michigan State University in response to a tragic event, offering much-needed support and encouragement. This is just one of the many ways the organization has made a significant impact in communities, spreading hope and alleviating challenges.

"We are honored to join forces with Cards For A Cause," said Ike Nwankwo, President of Cardz For Kidz. **"Together, we can offer even more hope and healing by providing uplifting cards and messages of encouragement to people of all ages, whether they are facing illness, grieving loss, or experiencing other challenges. This merger opens up new opportunities to serve more individuals who need our support."**

The newly merged **Cardz For Kidz** will continue to deliver personalized cards to children in hospitals, but will also extend its efforts to a wider audience, including children in foster care, nursing homes, and those affected by tragedies or hardships. This expansion aims to

bring comfort and encouragement to even more individuals, spreading kindness and support to those in need.

As part of the merger, Heacox will join the Cardz For Kidz Ambassador Board, further strengthening the organization's ability to reach and support those in need.

Expanded Reach and New Volunteer Opportunities:

The merger also paves the way for an expanded volunteer network, more outreach initiatives, and enhanced fundraising efforts. With the strength of their combined resources, **Cardz For Kidz** will grow its volunteer base and continue to rely on the support of individuals who take the time to make cards and spread joy.

If you would like to volunteer or learn more about how you can support **Cardz For Kidz** in making a difference, please visit <https://www.cardzforkidz.org/get-involved>.

About Cardz For Kidz:

Cardz For Kidz is a nonprofit organization dedicated to creating and delivering personalized cards, messages, and gifts of encouragement to children in hospitals worldwide. The organization's mission is to offer emotional support and uplift the spirits of individuals facing illness or challenging circumstances, fostering a sense of love and connection within their communities. What began as a program dedicated to sending cards to pediatric patients has since expanded to provide encouragement and comfort to individuals of all ages in need of support. Beyond hospitals, Cardz For Kidz also extends its efforts to a broader range of individuals, including children in foster care, residents of nursing homes, and those impacted by tragedies or hardships. In addition, the organization offers uplifting cards and messages to communities experiencing crises. With the support of dedicated volunteers and donors, Cardz For Kidz has brought comfort and joy to thousands of individuals in need, one card at a time.

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