Serving Children and Saving Lives Since 1953
Traumatic injuries are the leading cause of death and disability in children. More children are killed and disabled by injuries than by all diseases combined.

As a partnership between the New England District of Kiwanis and the Floating Hospital for Children at Tufts Medical Center, we have worked since 1981 to provide the highest possible level of expertise to treat the most seriously injured children at our Pediatric Emergency Department, an American College of Surgeons verified Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center.

KPTI was the first pediatric trauma center in the world to provide medical care for injured children, medical research on pediatric trauma, and injury prevention programs for children and families. Our Community Safety Programs reach more than 33,000 children and their families each year in New England alone.
The Kiwanis Foundation of New England (KFNE) was established in 1953 to be the fundraising arm of the New England District of Kiwanis. Since its inception, KFNE has raised and distributed millions of dollars. Along the way, KFNE created the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute, the first research hospital-based program dedicated to the treatment of traumatic injuries to infants and children. Thousands of lives have been saved by emergency treatment at KPTI, and thousands more because of KPTI’s research into pediatric trauma and its development of new interventions and treatment methodologies.

KFNE continues its work with KPTI at Tufts Medical Center in Boston, supporting research, treatment and injury prevention programs. We’re proud to work with Tufts on the Hap Gerrish Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Registry, which makes life-saving information on pediatric trauma cases available to medical professionals world-wide.
Club Grants

Kiwanis clubs are the source of myriad innovative projects and programs that do enormous good in our communities. KFNE supports club efforts through KFNE Club Grants.

KFNE Club Grants have financed construction of playgrounds at children’s hospitals and women’s shelters, programs to instruct child car seat installers, and safety programs designed to keep Halloween trick-or-treaters safe. Clubs may apply for grants of up to $1,000 to serve as seed money for new service programs. The application form is at www.kfne.org.

The Club Grant Program has been financed primarily by Silent Auctions at District conventions and conferences. For several years, District Governors have dedicated proceeds from these auctions to benefit the Foundation Club Grant Program, as well as The Eliminate Project.

Your auction gifts help us to encourage creativity in service projects at the local club level.

Scholarships

The original purpose of KFNE was to award deserving students in the district. KFNE proudly continues to support youth in Key Club and CKI through scholarships and other grants.
Fundraising

The Foundation’s work is primarily supported by the Kiwanis clubs and members of our District.

The **Red Jacket “Friends of the Foundation” Program** signifies a donation of $1,000 or more to the support of our signature program, the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute. Individuals may show their support with a Red Jacket, and clubs can also present Red Jackets to honor community leaders, friends of the club, or to members. **Red Jacket Crest Upgrades** are available to those who already have a Red Jacket. Each additional $1,000 gift brings the donor to the next crest level. The highest level is Level 10, “Honor Council.”

**Annual giving** is suggested for both clubs and individuals. Annual gifts are the source of unrestricted funds for club grants, scholarships to youth, disaster relief, other programs of the foundation, and our minimal administrative expenses. The suggested “Annual Club Gift” is $10 or more per member, or at least $150 per year for clubs with fewer than 15 members.

The “Sustaining Member” program is generally a personal gift of $50, or whatever the member can afford.

The **Morton Medal**, named for the late John Morton of Berlin, NH, the 1991-1992 president of Kiwanis International, is presented to those who make a planned or outright gift of $5,000 or more to KFNE. These donors become members of the **John D. Morton Society**.
Want to help? Send your check to the address below, or visit our web site to donate by credit card.

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