



Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard Co., FL., Inc. May 2026 Newsletter

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April Highlights:

- Mike Sully from Crosswinds shared an overview of their services at our Cocoa support group meeting.
- At our final T.A.R.G.E.T Training session, Ric Speigner from Step Up for Students and a representative from Better Together shared helpful resources for our families.
- At our Port St. John support group meeting, Michele Wiersma shared an overview of Lifetime Counseling's services.

Dear members,

As the school year winds down, our countywide support group meetings will pause. In place of our regular meetings, we will offer family training classes. Please visit our website for the current training list; we will update it as we confirm sessions with community partners.

In June, we will host an Adulting Camp at the UF/IFAS Extension in Cocoa for teens ages 15 to 18. RSVP is required, as space is limited and we must purchase a seat for each attendee. Reserve your teens' spot at www.grg-brevard.org/events.

We believe this is a key training opportunity as our children prepare for greater independence. If you have trouble registering, please call or email us, we are happy to help.

If there are training topics you would like us to cover or speakers you recommend, please let us know.

Thank you for your continued support,
Natasha and Jackie



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April highlights continued:

- At our Parenting Again Survival Training with Cliff Valentine, participants learned from one another and shared ideas for materials we can provide to schools and community partners. As a result, we created a Welcome Packet and shared it with schools and select community partners; it is also available to our clients.
- GRG hosted an outreach table at the American Muscle Car Museum car show and the Waves of Acceptance Family Fest at the Harley-Davidson store to raise community awareness. Thank you to our volunteers for giving their time. If you would like to volunteer at future events, please contact the office it is especially impactful for the community to hear directly from clients.
- Angelika Keene from UF/IFAS Extension led Youth Mental Health First Aid training at our office. The class helps adults recognize warning signs of a youth mental health crisis and identify appropriate next steps and resources, without diagnosing.

If you missed these events and want to attend upcoming speakers or classes, please register at www.grg-brevard.org/events.

May meetings and events:

- May 6th – Kim with Mark Wandall Foundation – GRG Office – 10:00 – 11:00 am
- May 12th – Parenting Again Survival Training with Cliff Valentine – GRG office – 10:00 – noon. This workshop will be a little different and you will not want to miss it. It is packed with useful information.

Please sign up for these events on our website www.grg-brevard.org/events