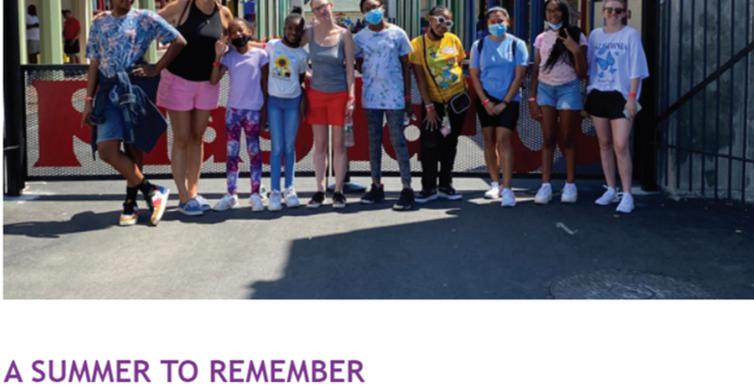


## CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF TRANSFORMING CHILDREN'S LIVES

Our **40th Anniversary NAC Kids Can Gala** is taking place on **Wednesday, October 19th** at Pier Sixty, NYC. This year we are excited to be honoring **Aryeh B. Bourkoff**, Chairman & CEO, LionTree. Our Dinner Charis for the evening are **Roger Lynch**, CEO, Condé Nast, **Robert D. Marcus**, Former Chairman & CEO, Time Warner Cable Inc., and **Wendi Murdoch**. There will also be a special recognition of NAC's founders and a fantastic guest performance by **Jewel**. You won't want to miss it!

It is sure to be an incredible night celebrating 40 years of transforming children's lives as we look back on all we have accomplished and look ahead to the next 40 years. Click [here](#) to purchase your tickets today.



## A SUMMER TO REMEMBER

For the past 40 years, NAC has **helped over 4,000 children in New York City** beat the heat while attending summer camp and this year was no exception! With support from the NAC community, we were able to send **over 100 children** to camp this summer for an incredible life-changing experience that they will never forget!

We also provided plenty of summer activities for all NAC Kids. As part of our Virtual Field Day, volunteers from **PIMCO** joined together with NAC Kids for an afternoon of fun and activities. Together they hula-hooped, played Jump the Hudson, and finished the day by decorating their own trophies and medals. It was an incredible time for both our kids and our volunteers. Thank you PIMCO for your continued support of our kids.

Our Youth Development programs were able to get out and enjoy some great outings and activities that not only provided them with unique experiences but also a **sense of community and belonging**. Over the course of the summer, our teens and pre-teens from **Youth Strong** and **Peer Project** had the opportunity to play miniature golf, enjoy bowling, movies, museum visits, and an amazing day visiting the Central Park Zoo. They finished the summer on a high note when members of our Junior Board joined together with them for two amazing days at Rye Playland. NAC Kids had a blast as they strolled on the beach, enjoyed amusement park treats, and even rode the iconic Dragon Coaster!

We've had a challenging two years since the COVID-19 pandemic took over the world and touched each of us in deeply personal ways. **But the spirit of NAC remains undeterred**. Thank you for helping make that possible!



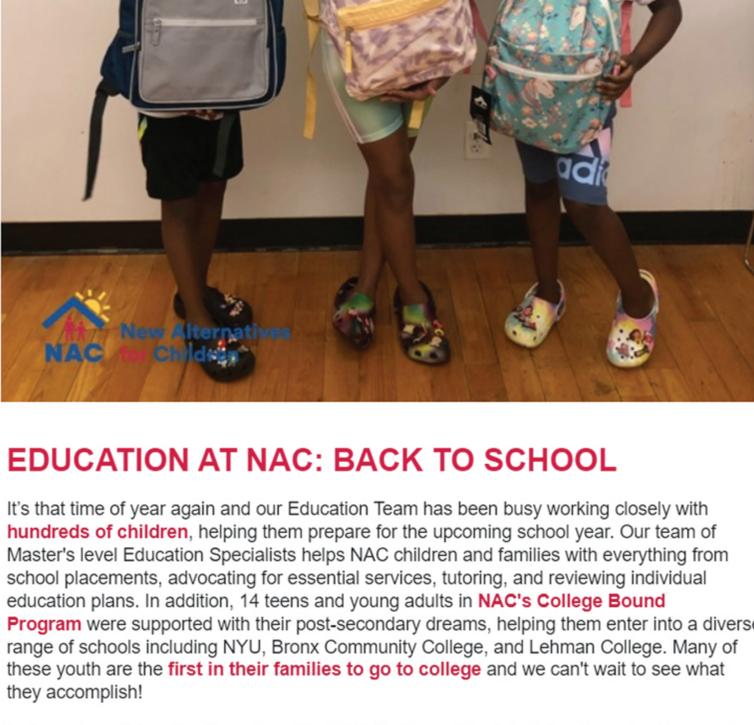
## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Our **community partners and volunteers** play an important role here at NAC and we wouldn't be able to provide life-changing support to our kids without them. Thank you to everyone who helps **NAC Kids not only survive but thrive!**

With adoptions back in full swing at NAC, volunteers from **Kohl's** came together at our offices to create special baskets and bundles of joy, filled with some of our kids' favorite toys and characters along with clothing for those children who have been recently adopted. Aaden (pictured above) was all smiles on the big day, taking home toys and clothing featuring his favorite superhero, Spider-Man! Congratulations on **finding your forever home** Aaden!

Ready, set, ride! Our partners from **Greenbacker Capital** and **Together We Rise** joined forces to donate and build 10 bikes for NAC Kids! It was incredible to see our kids use their bikes for the first time. Aminata can't stop smiling as she poses with her new bike and neither can we. **Thank you for making this a summer NAC Kids will never forget!**

To learn more about becoming a community partner or volunteering at NAC please visit our website at [www.nackidscan.org](http://www.nackidscan.org).



## EDUCATION AT NAC: BACK TO SCHOOL

It's that time of year again and our Education Team has been busy working closely with **hundreds of children**, helping them prepare for the upcoming school year. Our team of Master's level Education Specialists helps NAC children and families with everything from school's level education, advocating for essential services, tutoring, and reviewing individual education plans. In addition, 14 teens and young adults in **NAC's College Bound Program** were supported with their post-secondary dreams, helping them enter into a diverse range of schools including NYU, Bronx Community College, and Lehman College. Many of these youth are the **first in their families to go to college**, and we can't wait to see what they accomplish!

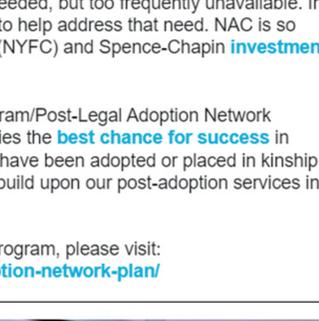
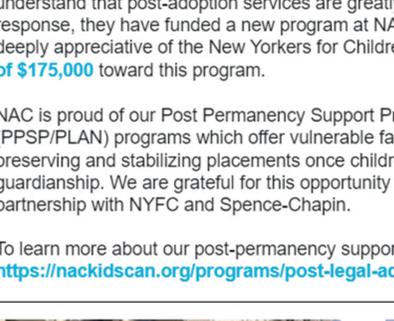
In August our Education Department held NAC's Annual Back to School events. Once again, **our community partners came through BIG, donating nearly 1,000 backpacks!** Each one was filled with supplies such as notebooks, pens, rulers, folders, and more. These vital donations helped to ensure that **every child was ready for a successful first day**, and every day of school.

Please know that your help and incredible generosity has made a difference for so many NAC kids and their families.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



## FUNDERS SPOTLIGHT



**New Yorkers for Children** and **Spence-Chapin Services to Families and Children** understand that post-adoption services are greatly needed, but too frequently unavailable. In response, they have funded a new program at NAC to help address that need. NAC is so deeply appreciative of the New Yorkers for Children (NYFC) and Spence-Chapin **investment of \$175,000** toward this program.

NAC is proud of our Post Permanency Support Program/Post-Legal Adoption Network (PPSP/PLAN) programs which offer vulnerable families the **best chance for success** in preserving and stabilizing placements once children have been adopted or placed in judicial guardianship. We are grateful for this opportunity to build upon our post-adoption services in partnership with NYFC and Spence-Chapin.

To learn more about our post-permanency support program, please visit: <https://nackidscan.org/programs/post-legal-adoption-network-plan/>

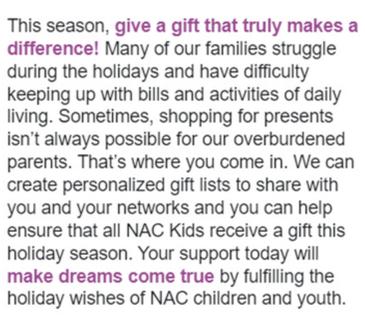


## WE HAVE A NEW HOME!

As part of our **historic 40th Anniversary Year**, we are so excited to announce that New Alternatives for Children has found a new home! We've signed our lease and will be moving in the new year!

As we prepare to embark on our next 40 years, this new space, located at **825 Seventh Avenue**, will be an integral part of that journey. With 3 brand new floors featuring **new and improved spaces for our clients and staff**. This move is sure to make an impact on the lives of the children and families we serve.

We look forward to welcoming everyone to our incredible new home!



## MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE

This season, **give a gift that truly makes a difference!** Many of our families struggle during the holidays and have difficulty keeping up with bills and activities of daily living. Sometimes, shopping for presents isn't always possible for our overburdened parents. That's where you come in. We can create personalized gift lists to share with you and your network and you can help ensure that all NAC Kids receive a gift this holiday season. Your support today will **make dreams come true** by fulfilling the holiday wishes of NAC children and youth.

For more information or to get started, please **contact us** today.

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