



Missing Children Investigation Agency

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Safety Tips of the Month

<p>Parents Make a “Child Security File”</p>	<p>Children Never speak to strangers without my parents permission.</p>
<p>The file should be in a safe deposit box, or kept with a trusted friend. It should contain:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 2 (two) certified copies of each child’s birth certificate 1) 3 (three) certified copies of any custody orders 2) Photographs of your children (update every 6 months) 3) Photographs of both parents 4) Photographs of all family members 5) Photographs of child’s friends, and family friends 6) Photographs of family vehicles 	<p>Parents: Role Play with your child often. Say “what would you do if...” and think of every scenario possible. Stress to your child that an adult never needs the help of a child for ANYTHING.</p>

Highlighted Events

We have a new Website Design! Visit us today at <http://www.kidfind.org>

- The new site is easier to use, and loads faster.
- There soon will be a special sign-in section for Volunteers, Investigators and Interns. This will help keep Volunteers updated on current events. Volunteers will be able to sign in to work on projects such as fundraising.
- Investigators and interns will be able to log in to get and share updated information on their assigned cases. We project this will make communications much more efficient.



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MCIA President Albert Schloegel Speaks to Homeless Mothers in Fullerton

On December 19th, MCIA President Albert “Doc” Schloegel spoke to the residents at Fullerton Interfaith’s New Vista Shelter. Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Service (FIES) serves homeless families. To reside at New Vista, the family must have at least one dependent child, and the parent(s) must work full-time and save 80% of their income.

At the time that Dr. Schloegel spoke at FIES, all of the residents were single mothers. Dr. Schloegel provided some basic information about MCIA, and gave a short presentation about child safety. The mothers were very interested in what Dr. Schloegel had to say, and asked many questions. One mother in particular was interested in visitation rights of a non-U.S. resident. Dr. Schloegel gave the mothers real-world scenarios and tools they needed to keep their children safe.

Dr. Schloegel told the mothers that they are their child’s “first, last, and only line of defense” against danger. This statement really seemed to resound with some of the parents.

A homeless mother has a unique set of risks. They and their children are often exposed to the public, and their children can easily become targets for abduction. If they have childcare, they often must “take what they can get” and feel they don't have resources for background checks and research. Dr. Schloegel empowered the mothers with information about their rights and responsibilities, along with resources in their community.

The mothers and FIES staff enjoyed Dr. Schloegel’s presentation so much that he has been invited to speak on an ongoing basis.

For more information about FIES, please visit their website at <http://www.fies.us>

If you would like Dr. Schloegel to speak at your event, please contact MCIA at MCIA@kidfind.org.



FIES New Vista Transitional Living Center

MCIA Wish List

- Food & Restaurant certificates
- Hotel Vouchers / Discounts
- eBay auction items
- Quickbooks -Non Profit edition
- GiftWorks Software (\$25 through TechSoup)
- GrantStation Membership (Discounted to \$399 through TechSoup)

- Office Space (San Gabriel Valley, California)
- Digital Camera
- Postage
- Adobe Creative Suite (Discounted to \$160.00 through TechSoup)

- Volunteers needed:
- Graphics Designer
 - Fundraising

If you have items to donate, please contact Development Director April Coe at AprilCoe@kidfind.org

Interested Volunteers should contact MCIA Vice President Anthony Coe via e-mail at Acoe@kidfind.org

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Give Through eBay Auctions

MCIA is registered with eBay

When you sell items on eBay, just select Missing Children Investigation Agency as a beneficiary.

MCIA will receive a percentage of your sales.



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