

**PROJECT
KIND
INITIATIVE
KIDS
SHOES**



September, 2017

Project Kiks
NEWSLETTER



Vallejo, California, USA

Our motto:
"Shoe the Children
Without Shoes
On Their Feet"

**SPECIAL
EDITION**



**PROJECT KIKS, Inc. - a Kind Initiative for Kids Shoes
Humanitarian Mission to Havana, Cuba
September 2 - 9, 2017**



MY TESTIMONY

I thank God for providing me with his traveling and saving grace and keeping me out of "hams way" during my evacuation from Hurricane Irma, which hit Havana, Cuba on Friday, September 8, 2017, around 8:00 p.m. The recommendation for me to evacuate came from the Consul at the American Embassy, established by President Obama. I got out "just in the nick of time." I was on the last flight operated by Delta Airlines, which departed at 2:35 pm on Friday. My heart and prayers go out to the families of the ten people who lost their lives during the Hurricane. I am also deeply disturbed by the number of American tourists left behind and unable to evacuate. Many were trying to return home (Florida) in order to secure their property, which today no longer exists. I took a vow to return. My mission is planned for December 21st - 28th, 2017 to help our American refugees stranded in Havana and our poor Cuban children. Just in time for Christmas.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED Hurricane Harvey and Irma
Havana, Cuba - December 2017 and Houston - February 2018 (dates TBA)
If you would like to volunteer for one of our upcoming Hurricane Disaster Relief Missions to Havana, Cuba or Houston, Texas, Please call our Founder, Paul II at 707.307.8687. Volunteers must be self sufficient and able to pay all travel expenses.

Donate today: www.solanocf.org (Go to quick links, click on Project KIKS Charitable Fund.) You may also Donate at projectkiks.org

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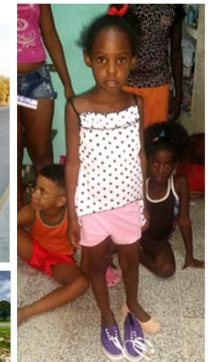
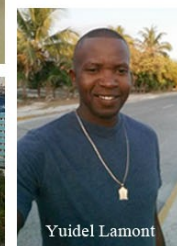
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MISSION COMPLETE

Despite the wrath of Hurricane Irma, we were able to complete our mission to "shoe the children without shoes on their feet" with Vans shoes and distribute badly need school supplies, Jelly Bellies candies, and Tootsie Roll Pops and cookies. Special thanks to Tessy Melendez who layed the foundation for our mission and provided logistical and translation support; also to 29 year old Afro-Cuban Yuidel Vidiaux-Lamont who served as my guide and translator. Yuidel also coordinated the shoe distribution among the children and families. I remain truly grateful, a job well done by Tessy and Yuidel. And special thanks to the Hotel Nacional de Cuba for their support.



**HURRICANES HARVEY & IRMA
BENEFIT CONCERT**

Sunday, December 3, 2017 3pm-8pm

Napa Center for Performing Arts at the Lincoln Theater,
Yountville, CA

For tickets and information, call Chris at 707.944.9905

*Dr. Love & the Love Foundation,
R&B and Soul*

*Reggae Artist Luv Fyah (Love Fire)
& 7th Street Band*

*Orquesta La Secarda,
Latin Jazz & Salsa*

*Gospel Artists:
Peggy Shropshier &
Amon Carter*

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In memory of Kathleen Kelly Denslow & Fay Cheatham

