

NATIONAL KINSHIP SUPPORT

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CANGRANDS is an internet support group for kinship families raising "other people's children." According to Stats Canada, 300,000 grandparents are raising grandchildren with no bio parent in the home, and with next to nill for government support.

"Kinship Care" is defined as the placement of a child in the home of the child's relative, or in the home of another adult with whom the child or the child's parent already has a close emotional attachment. 58% of Kinship families consist of a single grandmother, raising one or two special needs grandchildren. Many of the kinship children show signs of FASD, ADHD and RAD, and have a variety of special needs from the neglect and abuses they endured before coming to their kinship families.

Our aim is to promote, support and assist families in maintaining or re-establishing family ties. Gathering together to celebrate the triumphs and rewards of raising our kinship children while discussing our challenges as well.

- · Share the feelings and experiences
- Exchange information and resources
- · Explore new ways to solve old problems
- · Find Ways to reduce stress and anxiety
- · Group support will be very helpful and informative
- · Resources found and avenues opened

To join our monthly meetings, call us at (639) 318-0435

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