Shareable Moments by the Experts!

You can access (and share) all of the Kids Ask/Parent Chat links from last week’s webinars with Suncoast Campaign for Grade Level Reading and The Florida Center [here](#).

Whether you have kids, grandkids, foster kids or no kids, the webinars are a good source of how to discuss COVID-19 in ways that are understandable and not fear-inducing.

Locals Helping Locals

For many, this is a time of great financial uncertainty both personally and at an organizational level. We are so fortunate in the four-county area to have vehicles that make supporting our neighbors and neighborhood organizations easy! First, Community Foundation of Sarasota County, Sarasota Herald-Tribune, and The Patterson Foundation have rebooted the Season of Sharing campaign with an initial $500,000 contribution and a dollar-for-dollar match up to another $500,000. If you’re able, make a donation to help our neighbors working to avoid homelessness today!

Then, the 2020 Giving Challenge will take place April 28-29, with excellent matching incentives and prizes for local organizations in [The Giving Partner](#). Now, more than ever, our local nonprofits are working hard to support the community. Let’s show our appreciation by supporting them!

Stepping Forward, Without Stepping Out!

With the continuation of social distancing and the governor’s order to stay home, you might be hungry for ways to help while still staying safe. The A2A team has some suggestions!

- Make masks with free kits from [Joann Fabrics’ Make to Give program](#),
- [Volunteer from home](#) with suggestions from Good Morning America,
- Make cards or write letters for nursing home residents who are feeling more isolated than ever these days.

Continue the Conversation

A2A Moments is a weekly update of photos, moments of possibilities, feedback, and stories that book circles share with The Patterson Foundation.

Don’t forget to send in your tidbits to [hsaegerkarnei@thepattersonfoundation.org](mailto:hsaegerkarnei@thepattersonfoundation.org) to be featured in an upcoming A2A Moments!

Help The Patterson Foundation see where people in the four-county area are stepping forward! Add your zip code to this [Poll Everywhere](#) - we’ll share the results in upcoming newsletters.

Click on the link below for a social media compilation on A2A book circles!

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