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KidsPeace Hosts Instructor Certification Training on Responding to Active Shooter Situations, April 18-19, 2019

OREFIELD, PA (December 12, 2018) - KidsPeace will host an instructor certification training program for local schools, businesses, nonprofits, law enforcement and first responder organizations on responding to an active shooter situation, on April 18 and 19, 2019.

The two-day ALICE Training Instructor Certification Course will be conducted by instructors from the national *ALICE Training Institute* – with ALICE standing for *Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate*. The course is designed to teach proactive survival strategies for violent intruder or active shooter incidents.

According to the ALICE Training Institute, ALICE training is the original options-based response program, designed to replace an inadequate secure-in-place mandated response plan. ALICE addresses the fallacies of a one-size-fits-all response plan by explaining the truths and realities of violent intruder events. Through training and empowerment, citizens can apply the ALICE strategies and improve survival chances in any environment where they may find themselves confronted by an active shooter or violent intruder.

ALICE training has been developed in line with recommendations from the Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Health and Human Services, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Education, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and other Federal and state agencies. Those completing the ALICE Training Instructor Certification course will have the opportunity to bring the strategies back to their places of work, and have access to exclusive ALICE resources afterwards.

The price of the training is \$595, and registration can be completed online.

PLEASE NOTE: While the training will be held at the Donley Therapeutic Education Center on KidsPeace's Orchard Hills Campus in Orefield, PA, it will NOT involve any of the organization's direct care programs or clients, and will NOT be open to the public.

For more than 135 years, KidsPeace has been building on its expertise to give hope, help and healing to children, families and communities throughout the United States. Through its comprehensive range of residential treatment programs; accredited educational services; unique psychiatric hospital and foster care and community-based programs, KidsPeace is dedicated to helping people connect, transform and overcome their challenges to ensure a stable future, transition to adulthood and gain independence. Since its doors opened in 1882, more than 200,000 children have participated in one of the multitude of programs KidsPeace offers.

For additional resources or more information on how to get involved, become a foster parent or make a donation, please visit www.kidspeace.org. Follow us at www.facebook.com/kidspeace.org or on Twitter @KidsPeace.