



Grief Support for Children, Teens, Families & Adults

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*Providing Care,
Compassion,
Connection, and
Community
since 1976.*

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To whom it may concern,

As a nonprofit organization serving the Bay Area since 1976, Kara provides comprehensive grief support, crisis intervention, and education to individuals and organizations facing the difficult realities of grief and loss. Guided by empathy, over 200 volunteers and staff offer care, compassion, connection, and community to thousands of grieving children and adults annually. In 2019, we provided grief support services to over 6,000 children, teens, adults, families, schools, and community partners all across the Bay Area.

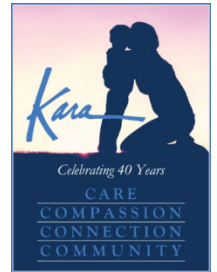
Partnerships with programs like Bay Area Older Adults' (BAO) Healthy Hikes help Kara continue to deliver hope and healing to those suffering grief and loss within our community.

BAO has proven experience in providing educational walking programs to seniors, including those who do not have easy access to the parks in Santa Clara County. BAO management possesses robust skills and over a decade of experience in administration and planning for older adult programs. We look forward to a successful and mutually beneficial partnership with BAO and will promote Healthy Hikes within the Kara older adult community. We will also provide a volunteer to walk with the group on BAO Healthy Hikes, and offer important grief training and education for BAO staff and volunteers.

Kara appreciates partnering with BAO, helping accomplish our mission of providing comprehensive grief support and education to those suffering loss.

Sincerely,

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