

2016 EVENTS LEX ICOM; Kentucky; 4 Kaleiders, 33 kiddos IDEAS; Cyprus; BOS Parent workshop, 6 Kaleiders, 13 kiddos the Harbor; Massachusetts Navigators; COS 11 Kaleiders, CMF; Chiang Mai, OMF; Chiang Mai, CNX Thailand; Thailand; 5 Kaleiders, 16 kiddos 4 Kaleiders, 9 kiddos **New Missions Systems** MCI International; 9 Kaleiders, 32 kiddos Kansas City, 6 Kaleiders, 10 kiddos YWAM Orlando; Orlando, Florida; 1 Kaleider, 11 kiddos

WHAT IS KALEIDOSCOPE?

a) A constantly changing pattern of shapes and colors

b) An organization collaborating with children who grow up overseas to spark a shift in perspective

c) A vision for every third culture kid to turn the pieces of their life into vibrant patterns



PAST

For the past four years, Kaleidoscope has operated as an independent, female-led nonprofit that focuses exclusively on development for TCKs from the ages of four to 18. We conduct meaningful programs at conferences worldwide.

ABOUT

PRESENT

Kaleidoscope is experiencing a huge growth spurt. 2016 saw exponential increase in bookings. We also added new staff members and an intern program.

FUTURE

As we move forward into 2017, we are prioritizing innovative recruiting and fundraising strategies, and developing our board of trustees. We are excited for the journey ahead!

MEET A KALEIDER

Name: Kiersty B

Age: 24

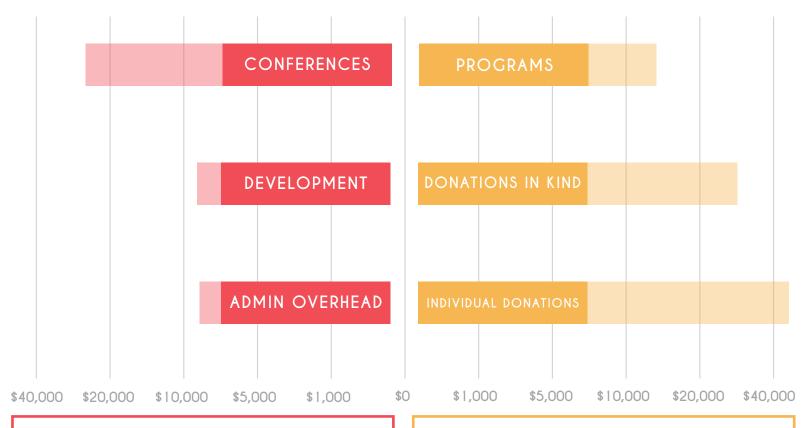
Grew Up In: Australia, Indonesia, the Philippines, and California

Currently Lives In: Caramillo, California

Where We Met: Kiersty joined us in the fall as one of our first-ever interns. She is going back to school this year to get her Master's of Education and certification in teaching. She has a heart for helping all children learn to the best of their abilities. After coming with us to Cyprus in 2016 and Thailand in 2017, Kiersty will continue to help us build our curriculum with teaching strategies for learning barriers.



OVERALL OVERALL EXPENSES FUNDING



OVERALL EXPENSES: \$43,708

OVERALL FUNDING: \$85,090



JESSI VANCE

or the last two years, we have applied to a non-profit accelerator. The first time was on a whim and involved a lot of Googling (How do you calculate revenue? Siri, What does YTD stand for?), and when we were denied it came as no surprise. This year we were so excited to share our growth and traction, not to mention the fact that we knew those terms! It was with devastating disappointment that we were rejected again. The feedback we received cited the difficulty to choose between "organizations that address...TCKs versus prisoners in Africa, or families without housing in South America, or Latino students fighting for college, etc." I'm still processing this news. On one hand, it was encouraging that it was not a lack of professionalism or preparation that caused them to say no. On the other hand, it was only the heart and soul of our mission and values that they didn't accept. So there's that.

I have to admit that I've thought similar things: there are so many hurting people in the world! Third Culture Kids have it pretty good, all things considered. Wouldn't my time be better spent caring for orphans? I frequently have to remind myself of two things:

- 1. This is my story. This is a precious people group that I have lived with, learned from, and loved deeply. God wrote that story and He has called me to be here.
- 2. From the outside, Kaleidoscope can look like a lot of bright colors, messy games, and goldfish crackers, but at our core, we are a support system for families on the front lines of some tough living situations. We don't just want to reach TCKs, we also want to reach those African prisoners, Colombian families, and people groups who have never heard the name of Jesus. our role in that outreach is one of support.

I am passionate about seeing Jesus' commandments carried out by healthy families. Thank you for believing in me and joining me on this adventure. I am convinced that together we can change the world. And if not, at least it will be covered in a lot more paint and glitter than when we started.











