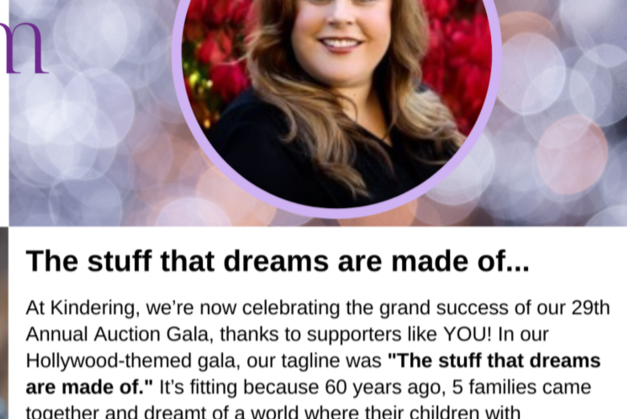
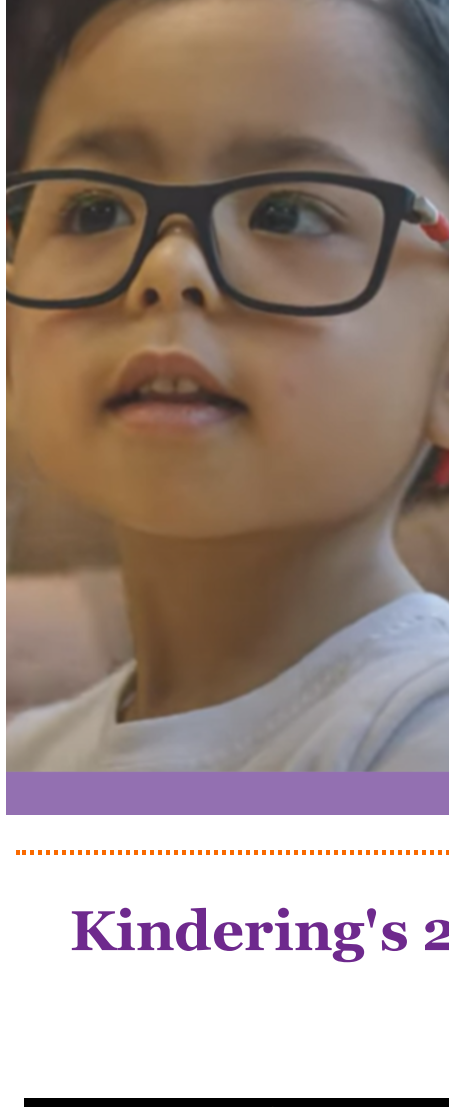


## Line From

Lisa



### The stuff that dreams are made of...

At Kindering, we're now celebrating the grand success of our 29th Annual Auction Gala, thanks to supporters like YOU! In our Hollywood-themed gala, our tagline was **"The stuff that dreams are made of."** It's fitting because 60 years ago, 5 families came together and dreamt of a world where their children with disabilities were better supported and more valued. They created a place in which that became a reality: Kindering.

Kindering has since grown to become the largest neurodevelopmental center in the Northwest. Our size allows us to match the right services and specialists to meet the diverse needs and cultures in our broader community. Our specialized services support children early in life, at the time of greatest brain development.

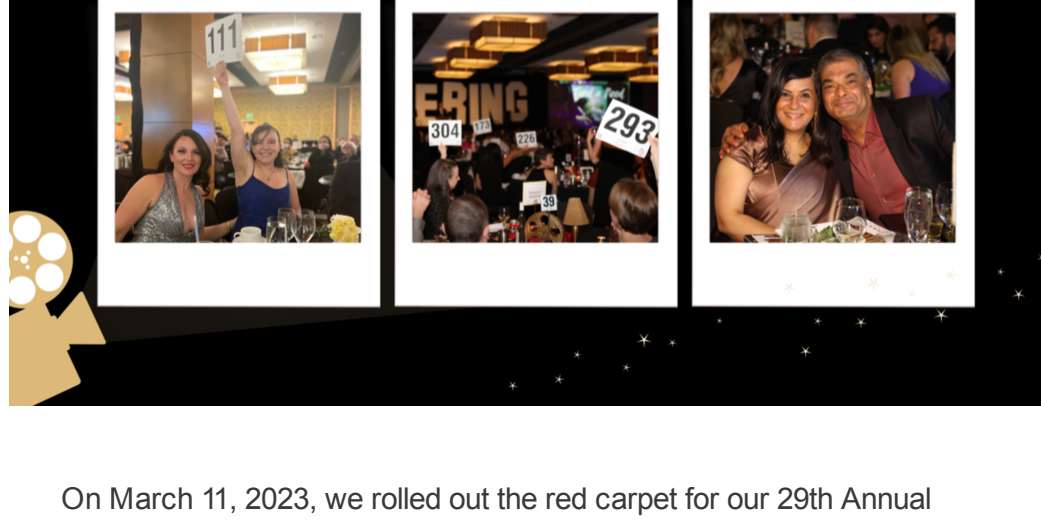
In addition to providing direct services, Kindering is thinking big-picture and advocating for systems change. For example, we have been working hard on a budget request for early supports in this Legislative Session.

Thank you to all our advocates, donors, and volunteers. Your support helps kids learn to tell jokes via sign language, play games in wheelchairs, and not only swallow but also enjoy new foods. And it helps parents and caregivers find hope, community, and joy as they learn how to support their children with special needs.

**This** is the stuff that dreams are made of.

*Lisa*  
Lisa Greewald, PhD  
CEO, Kindering

## Kindering's 29th Annual Auction Gala



On March 11, 2023, we rolled out the red carpet for our 29th Annual Auction Gala at The Hyatt Regency, Bellevue.

We are so grateful to this community for helping us make dreams come true for Kindering kids and families! Thanks to YOUR generosity, we raised over **\$700,000!**

The event was co-chaired by Kindering alumni parents Shefall and Bhrihu Sareen. "Regardless of the twists and turns in our daughter's journey... the one constant was Kindering," Bhrihu said in his speech at the auction.

## Courage the Lion Visits the Capitol!



We're working beyond Kindering's walls by advocating for statewide systems change to better support infants and toddlers with delays and disabilities. This is critical because even today, not everyone understands the importance of early supports. In fact, in 2021, providers like us received what was effectively a 10% cut in state funding, impacting Kindering to the tune of \$1.2 million every year and growing. So this year, we are doing everything we can to educate policymakers about the value of early support services.

Kindering is leading a legislative request with fellow early support providers to increase investments in special education for infants and toddlers that, if successful, will benefit children across the entire state!

But it's going to take an enormous group effort to get to where we need to be. If you want to get involved, get in touch with Kindering's Director of Communications and Public Affairs, [Kristina Brown](#).

## Program Highlight: Child Care and Preschool Consultation

Kindering's Child Care and Preschool Consultation program supports the community by providing free observation and consultation services for formal and informal child care and preschool providers who care for children ages birth to six.

**Watch the video below to learn more about the impact of this program:**



## Upcoming Events

**ALL IN FOR AUTISM**  
2023 FAMILY 5K/10K WALK/RUN

**Get Involved!**  
Community Walk/Run

[Bellevue Breakfast Rotary Club](#) is hosting its annual **All In for Autism Run/Walk (5K/10K)** on **Sunday, April 30, 2023**. We're grateful that Kindering is again a primary beneficiary this year! Money raised from this community event helps fund ALL Kindering programs.

**Interested in running or walking the 5K/10K? [Join Team Kindering!](#)**

**Volunteers** are also needed on race day! Please visit [allinforautism.org](#) to register as a volunteer.

If you have any other questions, please contact [Anne Acker](#).

[Click Here to Join Team Kindering!](#)

## Gear Up: Night Out for Kindering

Mark your calendars for **August, 10, 2023**, for our Annual Night Out for Kindering **FUN**raiser.

Grab a friend and get ready for a rip-roarin' good time at Ron & Margie's Vintage Car Garage once more!

Enjoy a glass of wine and hors d'oeuvres while exploring this private collection of classic cars from the 30s, 40s, 50s, and beyond. There will be plenty of ways to show your support for our kids -- including games and an online silent auction -- while having a grand ol' time!

[RSVP Here](#)

## Save the Date: Salute to Courage Luncheon

Save the date for our 18th Annual Salute to Courage Luncheon on **Friday, October 20, 2023**.

Here, you will have a chance to support Kindering's mission, which changes the lives of children and families with state-of-the-art therapies and educational services. And you don't have to take it from us.

One of our parents said, **"When we learned Kindering existed, a place that could help not just our child but also us, as parents, to learn how to approach her, how to help her, it was a huge relief. And they supported us at a time when we didn't know what to do."**

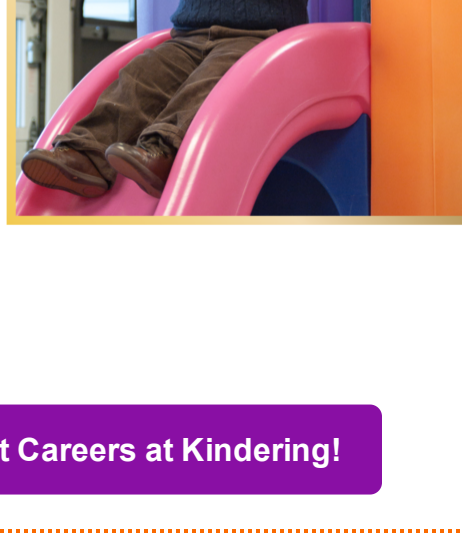
Join us to make a life-changing impact on many more children and families!

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## We're Hiring!

Do you love the work Kindering does? Do you have strong people skills, administrative skills, or technical skills?

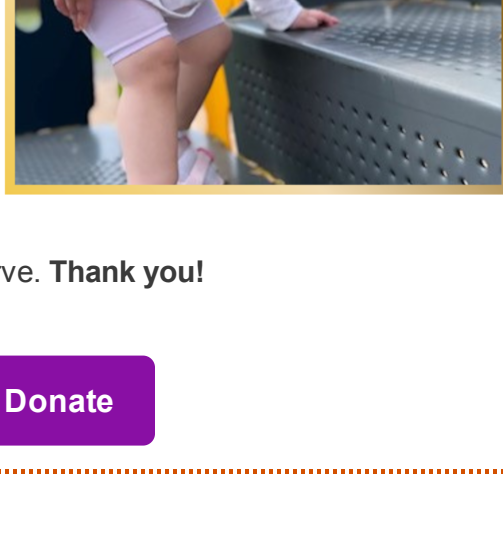
We have a wide variety of opportunities right now, including direct service work, administrative roles, and more!



[Learn More About Careers at Kindering!](#)

## Support Our Children & Families

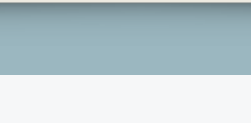
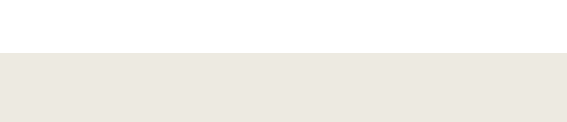
Honor a therapist. Celebrate a birthday. Make a gift in memory of a loved one. ANY time you support Kindering you help us meet the ever-changing needs of the children and families we serve. **Thank you!**



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## Follow us on Social Media!

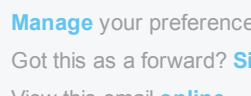
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