



2021 A YEAR IN REVIEW

DC KinCare Alliance in the News

Executive Director Marla Spindel and Deputy Director Stephanie McClellan were quoted about their work advocating for children and kinship families in **The Imprint**, **The DC Line** and **Word in Black**



Legal and Resource Help for DC Kinship Families

Provided legal representation, advice and education to over **100** relative caregivers raising more than **200** at-risk DC children

Published and distributed more than **1,000** DC Relative Caregiver Resource Guides

Hear What Our Clients Are Saying About Us in this Video:



Impact Litigation

Filed four additional federal lawsuits challenging DC's discriminatory practice of Hidden Foster Care

Filed litigation against the DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) for withholding records in violation of the DC Freedom of Information Act

Federal Lawsuits Press Release

MPD Complaint

Relative Caregiver Community Board

Increased membership on our Relative Caregiver Community Advisory Board by 15%, now consisting of **20** caregivers raising **25** vulnerable DC children

View our Film on DC Relative Caregivers' Lived Experiences:



Successful Advocacy Initiatives

- An Independent Ombudsperson for DC Children
- Full funding of the DC Grandparent Caregiver Program and elimination of burdensome application requirements
- Transparency in public reporting of DC child fatalities

Read Our Testimony

THERE IS STILL MUCH MORE FOR US TO DO IN 2022!
With your help, we can continue to support these heroic relatives
who step up to raise DC's at-risk children in times of crisis
when their parents are unable to care for them.

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