

Contact the Palliative Care Social Worker on 5501 8333.

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## **PARENTAL LOSS**

### **The Compassionate Friends**

A non denominational organization offering support, friendship and understanding to bereaved parents whose child has passed away. Through direct contact, coffee mornings, literature and bi monthly newsletters, our purpose is to aid parents and grandparents in the positive resolution of their grief as they begin the long journey in the process of bereavement.

#### **Contacts:**


Coordinators *Brisbane* – Marion Downey 3808 4008  
*Sth Gold Coast - Tweed* – Helen & Rodney 0412 543 499  
*Nerang – Gold Coast* – Nicky Newcombe 5597 6545  
*Loss by Suicide* – Raylee Taylor 5573 3873  
The Compassionate Friends Brisbane Chapter - Helping bereaved families

### **Sands**

Providing mutual support, information, education and advocacy for parents and families who experience the death of their baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, neonatal death and other reproductive losses.

Phone 1800 228 655 or visit SANDS Australia

### **SIDS**

Providing support for parents and families whose young child has died through an unexpected event.

Contact Anne Dawson on 0407 020 195 or visit Sids and Kids

### **Bonnie Babes**

The Gold Coast Branch offers grief support for families grieving the loss of a baby to miscarriage, stillbirth, prematurity and neonatal death. A grief support group meets on the last Thursday of each month at John Flynn Hospital.

Contact Jan on 5526 1633 or visit Bonnie Babes Foundation

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## **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

**Paradise Kids**

The Paradise Kids program includes the mixture of art, music, movement and meditation to help children express thoughts and feelings and grow through grief and loss associated with divorce, separation or the death of a parent or family member. A supportive group for the parents is run at the same time.

Phone 5574 6853 or visit [Paradise Kids](#)

**Lifeline Kids in Crisis**

Group programs for children and young people aged between 4 and 17 years of age. The program is aimed at children who are dealing with some form of life crisis – eg, separation of parents or the death of a parent or family member.

Phone 5539 9922