



# The Wendy Pollard Charitable Foundation Progress Report

THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the Wendy Pollard Charitable Foundation! Since its inception, WPCF has raised over \$280,000 in donations which have supported many important charitable endeavors. WPCF is run entirely by volunteers. There are no salaried employees, no overhead, and minimal monthly operating expenses. The mission of WPCF is to come alongside individuals who are struggling and have fallen through the cracks; our guiding principle is to find and assist those who do not show up on any other radar, and to quickly bring relief. Listed below are those causes the Foundation has supported and partnered with over the past 12 months:

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**WENDY'S LIBRARY:** In the fall, a young mother with a baby in the NICU reached out to the Foundation about providing a small library of children's books so parents can read to their babies and have their voices heard during this critical time. The very first library was delivered to Presbyterian Dallas. The Foundation is now providing a library to every NICU in DFW!



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**CHEMO CARE BAG:** In December 2018, the Foundation rolled out its Chemo Care Bag program. This bag was created and assembled on the advice of cancer patients. It is a way of passing along hard-won information on things you can do to lessen, or completely avoid, many of the most common side-effects of chemotherapy. The bag includes a folder of helpful hints, so patients know how to best use all of the products. The bag is free of charge for anyone undergoing chemotherapy. We simply need the name and mailing address of the recipient.



*"Amazing!!.....This was so helpful to my beloved neighbor. I wanted to provide help that would ease her pain. You have no idea the reaction to receiving the Chemo Care Bag full of incredible items to ease her body during these rigorous treatments. This bag empowers!!"*



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In November, a member of the community reached out to the Foundation about the large number of elementary aged children in the North Texas area who do not have a bed to sleep in. These children sleep on the floor, normally in the same clothes they have been wearing all week. WPCF stepped in to partner with Sleep in Heavenly Peace to begin addressing this need by providing bunk beds, pillows and linens to these children.



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#### DONATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY:

- **Spa Esoteric Oncology Fund:** WPCF is providing spa, skin and wellness services to more than 40 cancer patients, helping them look and feel better during treatment.
- **McKinney Education Foundation:** The "Wendy Pollard College Scholarship".
- **Grace Children's Hospital in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti:** Providing basic medical care to mothers and their children in the Haitian countryside.
- **McKinney All-Abilities Playground:** Contributed to the construction fund for this new, safe place for children with special needs to play and get exercise.
- **National Charity League Sunflower Chapter:** "Hummingbird Award" and gift to chapter.
- **Boy Scouts of America:** Sponsored ten special scouts to attend summer camp.
- **Journey of Hope:** Grief support counseling fund for children who have lost a parent.
- **JDRF Walk:** Supporting Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.
- **B+ Foundation:** Fighting childhood cancer.
- **Mosaic Family Services:** Assisting women in crisis.
- **Miscellaneous:** Financial assistance has been provided to adults and children in crisis on a case by case basis over the past year.

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