



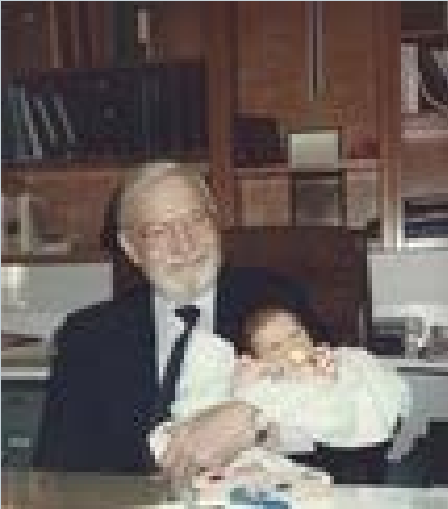
### **Mission**

To support those affected by blood cancers such as leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma while they are receiving care in Rochester, MN in order to promote healing and peace of mind.

### **Vision**

To ensure every patient battling blood cancers while receiving care in Rochester, MN will have all of their basic, financial, and psycho-social needs meet at no cost to them or their family.

# About Us



In memory of Ralph Wright-Peterson



Kristina Hesby, Founder

**2016-2018**

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Med City Foundation is a volunteer-led, non-profit organization located in Rochester, MN.

# According to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

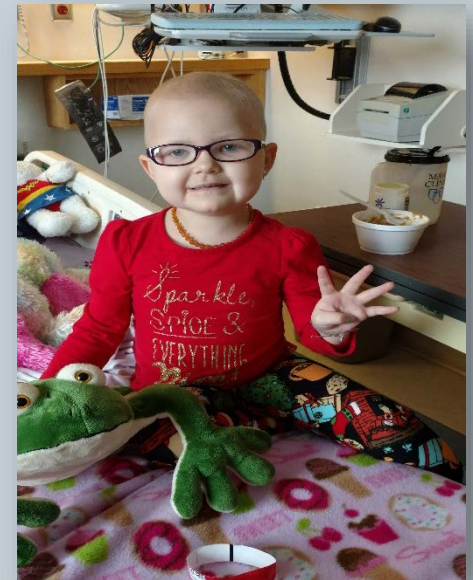


- **Approximately every 3 minutes one person in the United States (US) is diagnosed with a blood cancer.**
- **An estimated combined total of 172,910 people in the US are expected to be diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma in 2017.**
- **New cases of leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma are expected to account for 10.2 percent of the estimated 1,688,780 new cancer cases diagnosed in the US in 2017.**
- **An estimated 1,290,773 people in the US are either living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma.**

# In Rochester....



- Inpatient adult and pediatric patients account for approximately 140 beds between Methodist and St. Mary's hospitals
- Hundreds are seen daily through outpatient clinics including outpatient chemotherapy and infusion therapy
- Stem cell and bone marrow transplant patients in particular are increasing in number thanks to expansions in the transplant center and agreements with large corporate partners, like Walmart



# What are the needs of the patients?



- Typical treatment requires weekly lab work in addition to chemo treatments, scans, and other specialty appointments
- Bone marrow and stem cell transplants are a common treatment which requires intense follow up for 120 days post transplant
- During treatment, patients are severely immuno-compromised sometimes requiring seclusion from family and friends
- Medications and chemotherapy cause a range of side effects and complications

# The support we provide...



- **Travel and Lodging**

- Donated apartment in the Broadway Plaza provides free lodging for families
- Gas and restaurant gift cards in addition to parking passes are provided as they are donated to Med City Foundation

- **General Financial**

- \$500-\$750 financial grants given as we are able

- **Celebrations Program**

- Provides financial assistance or complete planning assistance for special events like birthdays, anniversaries and graduations
- Winter Celebrations program matches families with groups and individuals to sponsor wish list providing wrapped gifts for the holidays

# The support we provide...



- **Blood Product Guarantee**
  - If any patient or donor is unable to afford the cost of blood transfusions, they are able to use our blood product guarantee
- **Bone Marrow and Blood Donation Drives**
  - Recruit more donors, especially with diverse racial backgrounds



# What are others in Rochester doing?



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BRIGHTER  
TOMORROWS



Gift of Life  
TRANSPLANT HOUSE



Ronald McDonald House®  
Rochester, MN

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# The support we have provided

- August 2016 to September 2017 (is the fiscal year, so is reported that way) we provided 9 patients and their families with 385 nights of stay
- Over \$2500 in financial, travel, and lodging assistance
- Filled one storage unit with non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, bedding, and other household items for any patients that may need them while staying in town
- Our 2016 Winter Celebrations program provided gifts to 52 individuals, from 10 different families, in the Rochester area



# What we need



- **Business sponsorships to help with monthly income or in-kind services**



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- **Groups and individuals to be wish list sponsors for our Winter Celebrations program beginning in November**



# What we need



- Volunteers for events, office support, fundraising- you name it, we need you to do it!
- Donate blood on behalf of Med City Foundation
- Gift cards and coupons to gas stations, local restaurants and grocery stores



# Thank you!



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