



# Do More News

Helping Families Facing Medical Challenges Do More!

## READY FOR ACTION!

At The Do More Foundation, we are incredibly thankful for our generous donors and supporters. I wanted to take some time to let you know how your money is spent.

### - Our Main Goal -

***The main function of TDMF is to give financial assistance to families with chronically ill children. We also give financial assistance to families who have lost a child and need help paying for funeral expenses.***

When a family contacts us for assistance, they have to fill out an extensive application. Once that is received, verification of employment is done. The child's doctor and/or social worker is contacted and fills out a verification form regarding the specifics for the child's diagnosis and plan of treatment.

Financial aid is sometimes sent to a third party, when helping to pay a bill, rent or other need. Otherwise, the aid is sent directly to the family.

These families need financial help for a variety of reasons including -

- ☐ Help with utility bills or rent when missing work
- ☐ Help with medical bills and copays
- ☐ Help with the cost of funeral expenses
- ☐ Help with the cost of a grave marker
- ☐ Help with travel expenses when traveling out of the area for healthcare
- ☐ Help with meals for mom and dad while staying in the hospital
- ☐ Help with non-covered medical supplies or equipment

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## September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month!

A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.

- Christopher Reeve -

Do More with us to help the little heroes affected by childhood cancer.

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Founders - Scott & Lori Lassen

The Do More Foundation helps families with expenses related to the illness or death of their child.



## READY FOR ACTION! – OUR SECONDARY GOALS

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Our second goal is to give encouragement to families in the hospital. We do that by packing backpacks full of goodies like coloring books, small toys, nail polish, a football, basketball hoop, cards, snacks, and more. These backpacks are delivered to kids who are inpatient at children's hospitals. When we pass out these backpacks, we leave mom and dad with a gift card. Usually, it will be to a restaurant that is in the hospital like Starbucks, McDonald's or Subway. Other times, it is for a restaurant outside of the hospital or a gas card to help with transportation.

Sometimes, a social worker will call us and let us know about certain kids who have been hospitalized for some time and could use an extra dose of encouragement. In these cases, treats are packed up just for this child based on their age and preferences.

When possible, we arrange for guests to accompany us to the hospital when passing out these treats so the kids have a special event to look forward to. Chick-fil-A in Pompano Beach has been a great supporter and encourager to many children. They have joined us several times and passed out chicken sandwiches. The choir from Highlands Christian Academy has joined us a few times to perform for the kids. These treats are highlights to the kids, parents and hospital staff!

We currently do not have anyone on traditional payroll. My husband, Scott and I volunteer our services to TDMF. We have a wonderful virtual assistant, Kara that works 20 hours a month for us. Paying the company Kara is employed through is our one and only staffing expense. Our friends, board members and family have volunteered on numerous occasions to help stuff backpacks or run events.

We have purposed to keep expenses as low as possible so that more money is available to be sent to families in need. In this issue, you are going to see some ways we are working to raise the funds needed. There are many ways you can get involved! You may be able to write a check and make a donation, hand this newsletter to someone that needs to hear about us or tell a school about our fundraisers. Whatever fits your lifestyle, we can all do more!

- Lori -

### THE DO MORE CHALLENGE

You can sign up to donate each and every month to TDMF and not even have to think about it again. When you sign up for The Do More Challenge, your donation is deducted from your credit or debit card once a month on a pre-determined date.

These set donations help us know how to budget grants that are going out. You can sign up by visiting

<https://www.thedomorefoundation.org/donate/>



## DIMES FOR DONUTS

Do you know any families who have dealt with a child with a chronic illness or who has had a child spend time in the hospital?

Those are the families we exist to help.

Fundraising is a major part of why we are able to help others and we would love the opportunity to have the children at your school run a fundraiser on behalf of The Do More Foundation. We call this fundraiser "Dimes for Donuts" and it is a fun and engaging way for students to *Do More* for their community. We would facilitate the fundraiser and everything involved by giving each student a box for collecting coins and the classroom that submits the most money at the end of the fundraiser will earn a donut party on us! It's that easy!



WE HEAR TWO STATEMENTS MOST OFTEN WHEN TELLING PEOPLE ABOUT THE DO MORE FOUNDATION:

"I know a family that could use your assistance."

AND

"I have a friend that would love to hear more about supporting your organization."

It is not possible for us to reach every family that needs assistance nor reach every individual that wants to support our mission without the help of people like you. Our goal is to raise awareness about The Do More Foundation.

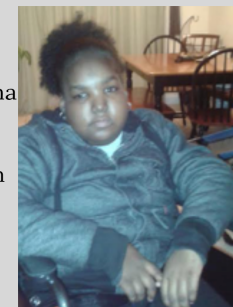
One way to do this is by participating in House Parties. You can invite some friends over, serve light refreshments and allow a representative of The Do More Foundation to come in and give a brief presentation explaining the services we offer.

## MEET OUR DO MORE KIDS

Rheana is our Do More Kid of the Month! Rheana is a 17-year-old sweet girl that has been battling a brain tumor since she was four-years-old. Because of the battle with this tumor, Rheana has suffered with many medical conditions and is now legally blind.

Rheana is the big sister to three adorable siblings! Rheana's mom and grandma are wonderful and are carrying a heavy load.

Will you keep this family in prayer. With the start of a new job and a new school year, there are many adjustments being made in their lives.





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