

STRENGTH, COURAGE, DIGNITY

Emily's Kids Foundation was founded in memory of a special young woman, Emily Ann Field. Emily was 17 years old in January, 2008, when she was told she had Ewing's Sarcoma.

Ewing's Sarcoma is a genetically inherited cancer that strikes children between the ages of 8 and 20. It is more prevalent in males. It is very aggressive, and once it's found it is usually in stage 4 of the disease. It starts in the bones and spreads quickly to the other organs such as the liver, lungs, kidneys, and brain.

Emily's journey lasted eleven months. She went through various surgeries to remove her left kidney and also to stabilize her vertebrae so her spinal cord would not break. She also went through harsh chemotherapy, aggressive radiation, multiple blood transfusions, and labs.

Emily fought her battle with strength, courage and dignity. She hardly complained and tried more than anything to console those around her. She lost her battle with cancer on November 22, 2008.

Emily's Kids Foundation is a 501C3, nonprofit organization effective 5-19-09. Emily spoke many times of the financial struggles families on the pediatric cancer unit faced. Families pay to park, eat, drive back and forth to the hospitals and pay for prescriptions when leaving the hospitals. It was her brainstorm that when she got well, she and her Dad, Craig, would start a foundation to help families with these costs. Upon Emily's death, we set up a fund at Brenner Children's Hospital to have memorial contributions sent to "Emily's Kids Fund". It was agreed that the contributions to this fund be used only for needs like food, gas cards, parking passes and everyday expenses. Emily's Kids Foundation grew out of this idea to enable the other six hospitals in NC with pediatric cancer units to receive funds. The tax ID is 27-0221339.



HOW THE MONEY IS USED:

The Foundation has raised several hundred thousands of dollars and distributed funds since 2008. The contributions have been given to the seven pediatric hospitals/clinics that treat Heme/Onc patients in the form of gas cards, Wal-Mart cards, parking vouchers, Subway, McDonalds, and other gift cards for food. Each hospital keeps records regarding when and where the gifts were given.

Emily's Kids Foundation, Inc., does not conduct interviews or review applications for those in need. There are no applications or interviews.

The medical staff along with the social workers determine a family's need. The gifts are given only on an as needed basis. When help is needed, the gifts are available right then and there.

In 2015 an endowment was set up and the "Gold Ribbon Scholarship" program was established. Emily's Kids Foundation began working on the guidelines and decided that the program be open to students going to college, university or vocational/technical school or even students

still in High school, Middle school or Home schooled who may be in need of something to finish their classes. Unlike traditional scholarships we believe that dealing with cancer far outweighs what the grade point average may be, and we believe in the student.

Please visit our website www.emilyskidsfoundation.org to download then submit the required forms. If the student is in need of school supplies please contact your Social Worker and they can contact us.

Emily's Kids Foundation has worked hard and will continue to do so to provide help to North Carolina Families dealing with pediatric cancer. If you like the idea of the "Gold Ribbon Scholarship" and would like to help, let us "broker" a scholarship for you. We have contacts all across North Carolina and we can locate a student for you that you may want to help. You can also donate funds to the endowment. We can and will work with you.

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS:

The following hospitals receive funds from Emily's Kids Foundation: Brenner Children's Hospital (Winston-Salem, NC); Duke Children's Hospital (Durham, NC); Levine Children's Hospital (Charlotte, NC); UNC Children's Hospital (Chapel Hill, NC); James and Connie Maynard Children's Hospital (Greenville, NC); Hemby Children's Hospital (Charlotte, NC) and Missions Children's Hospital (Asheville, NC).

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

If you would like to make a donation there are several ways to do so. You can go to the website at www.emilyskidsfoundation.org and donate via credit card on PayPal.

You can also send checks directly to the foundation. Please make checks payable to Emily's Kids Foundation. The address is: **Emily's Kids Foundation, Inc.**

P.O. Box 59

Climax, NC 27233

If you would like your contribution to go to a certain hospital, or to the scholarship fund please make a note on the memo line.

Your contributions are tax deductible. You will receive a receipt for your donation either through the mail or on email. Please add your email address on the check if you would like an email receipt. Every stamp we save counts.

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