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Press Release



Sigma Chapter Names 2023-2024 Charity of Choice: Connect Thru Cancer

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Connect Thru Cancer

CANCER TAKES. WE GIVE.

Connect Thru Cancer was established in the Philadelphia region to help families battle with the internal struggles of a cancer diagnosis. They are a non-profit organization that provides a variety of free cancer support services and resources to individuals and families living with a cancer diagnosis, giving respite to the cancer patient in treatment, and supporting their unique journey. Connect Thru Cancer comprehends the significance of providing assistance, not just to the cancer patient, but also for the overall well-being of the entire family. This was their objective since 2007,

when Cathy Gabrielsen established the organization. At the age of 32, Cathy, a young mother, found herself raising her two sons while simultaneously battling breast cancer and in need of support.

Now, more than ten years later, their commitment remains unwavering as they continue to enhance their programs and extend their outreach to aid even more individuals and families affected by cancer. Connect Thru Cancer strives to enhance the quality of life for both cancer patients and their families throughout the course of cancer treatment. Through their mission statement, they demonstrate their intentions for supporting those who experience Cancer along with their loved ones.

Donations Via Venmo:

If you are interested in donating to Connect Thru Cancer, please Venmo @Sigmachapter. The payment description should consist of your email and 'Charity of Choice.'

Donations During Wednesday Meetings:

Purchase Takis, Fruit Snacks, Pretzels, or Water during our Wednesday meetings!

Everything is **\$1**.

We accept cash or Venmo @Sigmachapter.

Donations Through Merchandise:

The Sigma Chapter will be selling crewnecks and tote bags this year:

Crewnecks are \$30 each

Tote bags are \$16 each

Payments can be made through our Venmo @Sigmachapter.

Please caption your payment with Firstname.Lastname_Fall23Merch

After you Venmo please fill out this form:

[Link](#)



The Sigma Chapter's Past Charities of Choice

The Sigma Chapter has always been committed to giving back to the community. Every Fall, the Sigma Chapter selects a Charity of Choice and supports that charity for an entire academic year. Each year, the Sigma Chapter has met or exceeded its fundraising goals for the following charities:

- 2022-2023: ACCT Philly – \$5,000**
- 2021-2022: Gift of Life Family House – \$10,000**
- 2019-2021: Ryan Trefz Memorial Scholarship Fund – \$25,000**
- 2018-2019: Gift of Life Family House – \$14,000**
- 2017-2018: Michael's Giving H.A.N.D. – \$25,000**
- 2016-2017: Artz Philadelphia – \$15,000**
- 2015-2016: Brave Hearts for Strong Minds – \$15,000**
- 2014-2015: Brave Hearts for Strong Minds – \$11,200**
- 2013 -2014: For Pete's Sake – \$10,000**
- 2012-2013: ESF Dream Camp – \$10,000**
- 2011-2012: Gift of Life Family House – \$25,000**
- 2010-2011: Aid For Friends – \$8,000**
- 2009-2010: Arnesha Mash-Walker Foundation – \$5,000**
- 2008-2009: Children's Alopecia Project – \$5,000**
- 2007-2008: Neighborhood Bike Works – \$2,500**

Please reach out to the Community Affairs Team at cateam.gis@gmail.com if you would like to get involved in our fundraising.



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