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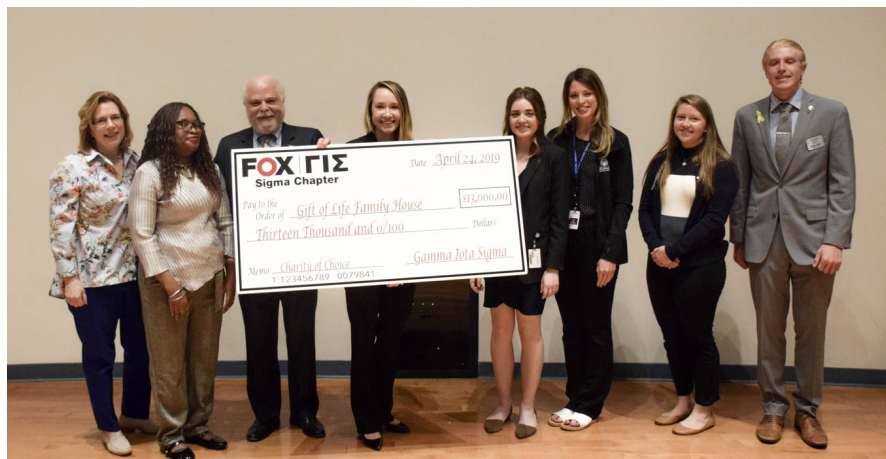
Sigma Chapter Raises \$14,000 for Gift of Life Family House

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Each year, the Sigma Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma selects a Charity of Choice. In the Fall of 2018, the Sigma Chapter chose Gift of Life Family House as its 2018-2019 Charity of Choice. Beginning in September 2018 and continuing until April 2019, the Chapter hosted bake sales, merchandise sales, a FOX-hole tournament, and a charity auction and collected donations in order to raise almost \$14,000... and counting!

At a very special final body meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2018, we presented our check to Howard Nathan, the President & CEO of Gift of Life Donor Program and the Founder of the Gift of Life Family House. Mary Smith, the mothers of one of the two individuals from our program, was also present. We honored the legacy of Eric Smith (Class of 2011) and Kevin Kless (Class of 2010), who both donated their organs after passing away suddenly. The Sigma Chapter created a video that raised awareness for organ donation. See the full video [here](#).

Gift of Life Family House provides affordable lodging, meals, and services for transplant patients and their families who have traveled to the Philadelphia region to receive medical care. The Sigma Chapter supports the Adopt-a-Family Program, which seeks to cover the \$40 cost per night charged to families, ensuring that no family is turned away due to an inability to pay. If you would like to learn more about Gift of Life Family House, please visit their [website](#).



The Sigma Chapter's previous charities and past donation totals include:

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