

Hello! On behalf of the Rachel Lynn Henley Foundation, I am reaching out to ask for your support for our biggest fundraising event of the year. My daughter Rachel was diagnosed with synovial sarcoma in 2007 and fought bravely for 7 ½ years before her battle ended on June 2, 2015 when she was just 22 years old.



To honor Rachel and her vision, we established the **Rachel Lynn Henley Foundation**, a registered tax-exempt non-profit charity in the State of Washington (Tax ID# 47-4580217) in August of 2015.

Our major fundraising event to fund our foundation mission of supporting cancer-fighting kids in our community is an annual auction with over 300 attendees from all around the local area and beyond. **Our virtual auction this year will be held between April 19 and 21, 2024.** We would be so very grateful for your support. We will make sure that any donated items are presented in our online catalog with the name of your business clearly noted. A procurement form is attached for your use in the event you find that you can help.

Through the all-volunteer time of our dedicated team we have had the chance to support and bring smiles to many local cancer-fighting kids and their families and caregivers. Through our signature program, *Rachel's Hugs*, we have the opportunity to help fulfill these young people's dreams, ease their worries, and brighten their days as they face this difficult battle. Since 2017, we have granted more than 185 *Hugs*, at an approximate value of \$1000 each, giving things from puppies, to bedroom makeovers, shopping sprees, getaways, electronics and more. With each smile we see on these kid's faces, we feel so blessed and it simply fills our hearts.

We are also able to support the effort of the Mary Bridge Oncology staff at their various family events including their annual summer Water Blaster Party and their Christmas Party, both of which are great fun and highlights of the year for the kids and for us too! We keep the Teen Room at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital as well as the Hem/Onc Clinic stocked with books, board games, movies, and video games to give the kids a fun place to hang out when they have to be in the hospital or clinic for treatment or appointments. Finally, we were able to provide \$55,000 this past year toward critical pediatric cancer research and patient support in Seattle and Tacoma. We know that Rachel would be so incredibly proud of everything that we have been able to accomplish together in her honor.

We know that you get many donation requests and thank you in advance for your consideration and support. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children and young adults fighting cancer in our community. **Please contact Mary Henley at [253 651 8056](tel:2536518056)** with any questions about the foundation, the auction, or to arrange for us to pick up your donation.

We appreciate your consideration of our request and look forward to hearing from you!

Mary Henley  
President and Rachel's Mom  
Rachel Lynn Henley Foundation

Donations can also be mailed to:  
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