



Dear Community Supporter,

Please accept this letter of request for our Handbags for Hospice event - The Home Edition. We would like to express our gratitude for your consideration during these difficult times and would like to share with you the way Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice has adapted our services to continue serving families in our community.

Our facility has remained completely Covid free from the start of the pandemic. We continue to stay on high alert and adapt our procedures to continue on this course. Our residential bed occupancy remains full and we continue to admit residents. Although the number of visitors allowed into the building are limited, we have adopted alternate ways for families to visit their loved ones by setting up Zoom and Facetime abilities and creating safe outdoor spaces for socially distant visits. We will continue to create new ways for friends and family members to visit their loved ones.

At the start of the pandemic, we immediately adapted our grief and bereavement programs to a virtual platform. One to one Bereavement Counselling continues over Zoom and telephone calls and are being held in safe socially distanced ways in outdoor spaces when allowed. We are excited to announce that we have recently won the '2020 Reader's Choice Awards' in Bereavement Services. Our team is also hard at work serving our clients and community through Volunteer Visiting and Day Hospice programs.

This year, we have been able to successfully run two of our four signature events. Hike for Hospice in June and Golf Day for Hospice in September. Paint The Town Red, our gala that takes place in May was unable to run as planned as we were in phase one of the pandemic during this time. This event raises \$130,000 annually and is very important as the hospice depends on those funds every year. Our hospice has to raise over 1.3 million dollars annually on top of the government funding provided. Handbags for Hospice event is the last of our four signature events in our 2020/2021 fiscal year, and so we are in need of community support.

**Handbags for Hospice - The Home Edition will be presented on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We are expecting to host over 400 guests online through streaming the live event. On behalf of the Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice may we ask for your support by:**

- a) Donating handbags, accessories, product donation, wine and sample products that will be used for the silent auction, prizes and gift boxes.**
- b) Offering a discount on bags from a current or past collection.**
- c) Purchase of sponsorship (see 'Sponsorship Package' for details).**
- d) Cash donation (full tax receipt provided and proceeds directly to our services).**

**We want to continue Caring Together as a community to support one another during these difficult times and are very grateful for any contribution.**

Please see Sponsorship Package for event details, ticket information and more.

We want to thank you for your support with our Handbags for Hospice event - The Home Edition and are very grateful for your time and consideration.

Warmest Regards,  
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