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# ANNUAL REPORT





## A WORD FROM

# April Royal Founder

During the four months of Kory's life and care at Egleston Children's Hospital in Atlanta Georgia, I was blessed to spend every day with my son. I also was able to witness the struggle of so many parents with meal cost, gas assistance and overnight stay.

After the passing of my son, I wanted to do something in his memory that allowed me to give support to the families of the Children's Hospitals.

I published a book written for him while he was hospitalized that was going to serve as the first story he would have read to him. Unfortunately, he didn't make it home, but I was blessed to read his story to him two days before he passed away. That story was used as a tool to help assist families with their daily needs while their child was hospitalized. But, I saw that the families needed more assistance and decided, with the support of my late father, John Royal who, we lost the covid, that it was time to form the Kory Foundation Inc. becoming a non-profit organization has allowed us to reach out to companies and individuals within our community for their support and more resources for the families we serve.

Today this organization stands in the memory of my son and late father John W. Royal, who we lost to covid. Every meal we provide, gas card, hotel stay assistance and inhospital event is because of these two amazing people who touched me and taught me in more ways than my words could ever say. We will continue the works we do from City to city and state to state.

I love you both and you will never be forgotten.

All my love,

**April** 



In honor of my son, Kory Lawrence Drake Jr.

July 20th 2007-November 27, 2007, I envision and formed the Kory Foundation Inc.

# **ABOUT US**

We are a combination of individuals who came together to provide guidance for families of hospitalized children in the the Atlanta and Augusta, Georgia areas. It is our goal to create a system that provides meals, fuel cards and overnight stay assistance to the families in the hospitals we presently serve and those we will serve in the near future. The ideas and structure of this organization came together after our founder's son passed away due to a premature birth. His life created in the mind of his mother a new purpose, the Kory Foundation Inc. the work time and dedication we put forth every day, we do in his and all of the children that we cherish because Family matters.



#### **OUR VISION**

Our vision is to create a system that provides daily meals, emotional, physical and social stability to all parents of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta patients and individuals in Atlanta Georgia, and surrounding counties.



## · · OUR · · MISSION

To enhance the quality of life of residents of DeKalb County and its immediate and surrounding counties of metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia, as well as visitors to the area whose child or children are hospitalized within a local children's hospital. Our services include ensuring discounts on healthy meals for parents and individuals in need of nourishment, soliciting, collecting, and packaging food for distribution as well as providing family support and opportunities for emergency children care.

#### **OUR VALUE**

The values of the Kory Foundation Inc are pieces of a puzzle that that fit perfectly together to create a masterpiece.

Courage-allowed us to form and to continue to grow and change.

Honor- we honor the lives of our children

Respect-respect ourselves each other and the families we serve

Compassion-show compassion at all times and gain the understanding of the families and their needs

Family- build an unbreakable bond with all whom we come in contact with.

Community-know our surrounding and what it needs to thrive.

Quality-allow the quality of our service to speak and all we do.



# **OUR TEAM**











**SECRETARY** Juanista Burnett



**TREASURE** Kathy Davis



**ASST. TREASURE** Charlotte Royal





**Events Team** 



Barbara Hurwitz



Kimberly Gottschalk



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## **2023 IN REVIEW**

#### **EVENTS**





In 2023, Kory Foundation reinstated its hospital visits, focusing on national holidays like Valentine's Day, Easter, and Christmas.

Additionally, we introduced the Augusta program led by Ms. Wanda Royal.



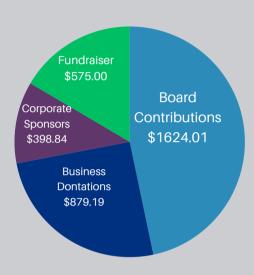




## **2023 IN REVIEW**

#### **PARTERNSHIPS**

#### Revenue



The Kory Foundation was blessed with many donations, sponsorships, and contributions from our generous board members. Moreover, our fundraising activities recommenced in August with a Paint and Sip event.

We extend our gratitude to our corporate and private donors for contributing to the success of this year.











**Private Sponsors** 

Ms. Barbara Hurwitz

Ms. Wanda Royal

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#### **FUNDRAISER HIGHLIGHTS**





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