

Filling a need in our community

Right now, 1200 Minnesota families have a child with a life-threatening condition. Each year, 800 children die. And if that weren't heartbreaking enough, many parents lose their jobs or even their homes while caring for a child who is in and out of the hospital for months.

While Hearts & Hands cannot change the prognosis of a seriously ill child, we can offer support and assistance to parents as they focus on their child's medical needs and their family's daily needs. Our network provides parents with personalized, culturally-sensitive resources. And all services are free to those who qualify.

Hearts & Hands is a 501c3 non-profit organization based in the Twin Cities and established in 2010. All donations are 100% tax-deductible.



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Crisis Management

Children facing life-threatening conditions are often in and out of the hospital for months on end. And some families travel hundreds of miles for treatment. Parents must juggle the need for housing, transportation, care for siblings and a multitude of other logistics while making sure their child is getting the best medical care possible. Each family's needs are unique, so Hearts & Hands provides individually-tailored resources to help ease the daily demands.

We offer support through the following:

- Emergency funds
- Transportation assistance
- Household resources
- Funeral assistance

Support Services

Families with a child facing a life-threatening illness suddenly find their lives are turned upside down. Daily activities change, and places and people are unfamiliar. While it is normal for families of ill children to have a wide range of emotions during this time, they should not have to face them alone. Hearts & Hands is staffed by professionals who offer personalized, culturally-sensitive and direct services for coping and support.

We provide support services such as:

- Parent-to-parent support
- Professional counseling
- Hospital visits
- Grief support

Advocacy Services

Caring for a child with emergency medical needs often interferes with a parent's other responsibilities. Parents may lose their jobs, have work hours reduced, go into debt, lose their homes or even face total financial ruin. Being a single parent, or a parent with cultural or language barriers, can compound the difficulty. Hearts & Hands connects families with experienced advocates who will identify resources to help families overcome these challenges.

We can connect families to:

- Financial counseling
- Government agencies
- Housing agencies
- Cultural resource centers



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