

BlakeStrong Bowell Fund

From BlakeStrong Bowell Fund President

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Golf Open: June 16
BlakeStrong Fest: September 23
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Friends of BlakeStrong,

As 2022 has now come to a close, we at the BlakeStrong Bowell Fund would like to express our thanks for your continued support of our mission to improve the lives of those battling cancer, brain cancer research, much needed community support and scholarships. Honestly, we could not do it without the generosity of so many and for that we are grateful. Blake would be so proud of the good work that we have done!

In 2022, we were able to provide over \$30,000 in support! We gave to the Purdue Cancer Research Center, Franciscan Health Cancer Center, the National Brain Tumor Society and continued support of Special Days Camps for pediatric cancer patients. We granted 5 college scholarships and assisted 6 families in cancer crisis. Finally, we continued support of Blakes Children's Garden at Garfield Park funding the ongoing maintenance of this special oasis.

As we look to 2023, BlakeStrong plans to expand our efforts at Purdue with increased funding for tumor imaging research. We will continue our partnership with Franklin Township schools and continue to help families in need through their cancer survivor journey.

It is indeed a blessing to honor the legacy of Blake. Please feel free to contact me or any of us on the BlakeStrong Bowell Fund Board if you have questions or would like to volunteer in anyway. Thanks again for your support and let's have a great 2023!

~ Mark



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This past year, the BlakeStrong Bowell Fund funded over \$30,000 in grants and continues to spread support in the fight against cancer as well as for many causes near to Blake and his life. The continued challenges faced in 2022 did not dampen the blessings of funds raised through Walking For Dreams, BlakeStrong Golf Open, BlakeStrong Fest, Giving Tuesday, and numerous individual gifts.

2022 Grants Include

- > Friends of Garfield Park, Blake’s Children’s Garden support
- > Special Days cancer patient/family camp cabin sponsorship in Michigan
- > Agape Therapeutic Riding, in honor of Liz Khamis
- > Franciscan Cancer Center
- > Cancer Support Community Indy
- > Purdue Cancer Research Foundation
- > The National Brain Tumor Society
- > Sycamore Foundation Walking for Dreams
- > Make-A-Wish
- > Flashes Football Foundation
- > Franklin Township Youth Football
- > Ben’s Ranch
- > Life Centers
- > Support for those experiencing cancer crisis.
- > Scholarships for students continuing to pursue Track or Football in college.



~ Why BlakeStrong Bowell Fund Does What It Does ~

I am so blessed and proud to be Blake’s mom. Because of his incredible and courageous life, bringing joy to all who knew him...even and especially through his cancer journey...BlakeStrong was formed with Blake’s help and vision. As we are honored to raise funds to help others going through their own brain cancer journey and with the impact of Blake’s Children’s Garden in Garfield Park, we are able to spread Blake’s joy in his memory every day! - **LeDania (Bowell) Carmichael, Blake’s Mother and Treasurer of the BlakeStrong Bowell Fund.**

I have been so blessed to be raised by a family that is so giving and has the passion to help others in need. It is no surprise that when the opportunity arose, Blake wanted to start an organization to help those that were fighting the same battle he was fighting. We have been fortunate to carry on his legacy through the BlakeStrong Bowell Fund and assist those in their battle against cancer. My family and the organization understand the direct effect cancer can have on all aspects of your life, and we want to help ease some of the burden it has on some families in the community. ~ **Lakin (Bowell) Khamis, Blake’s Sister and Vice President of BlakeStrong Bowell Fund.**



As we look to 2023 our goal is to continue if not expand the good work at hand and we trust you will support us through our BlakeStrong Golf Open in June, BlakeStrong Fest in October and/or Giving Tuesday efforts in November.

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