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Acts 20:35

"I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, it is more blessed to give than to receive."

September 25, 2023

Dear friends:

On Thursday, September 7, 2023, Wheelchair Charities held our 50th Anniversary Fundraising Gala. That very special event was successful and well attended; it was a beautiful and memorable event. I thank God for each person who attended, purchased a table, or advertised in our journal, and for the many dedicated volunteers who gave selflessly of their time and energy.

We are continuing to raise funds through November 15 to reach our goal of purchasing 110 new, motorized wheelchairs for patients in every borough of New York City—25 for Queens, the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Manhattan and 10 for Staten Island.

We also aim to purchase two new, specially equipped buses, which cost \$225,000.00 each. The buses allow the paraplegics and quadriplegics to travel to places that are further away than their motorized wheelchairs can take them, and unlike the wheelchairs, allow them to travel in cold or inclement weather. To be able to fund not one, but two new buses would truly be a miracle.

While our fundraising gala was successful, we still need to raise additional funds to afford all the things the patients need. I hope that you will consider an additional donation to Wheelchair Charities, one that truly will make a difference in the lives of men and women who no longer have the use of their legs. Your gift will enable them to have an extra special Christmas holiday season.

Any donation, no matter how small, is welcome. Keep in mind that the funds raised by Wheelchair Charities directly benefit the patients. We have no fancy offices or large staff. We keep the overhead minimal, and are staffed with volunteers.

The patients and residents served by Wheelchair Charities are among New York City's poorest, sickest and neediest. I pray that you will be inspired to give just a little more to help those who have less.

God bless you!

Henry J. (Hank) Carter
Chairman and CEO