

## Dear Friends,

2024 was our first full year operating and a big year for The Eva Martin Project. With that, we must thank you for your support. We certainly could not do it without you and wouldn't have been able to accomplish all that we have in 2024. From the bottom of our hearts we THANK YOU!

# 2024 Highlights

#### **Collection Effort:**

With your support we collected 1,594 stuffed animals and 816 blankets with an estimated value of \$23,297.

# **Hospitals Served:**

This year we were able to make donations to 5 different hospitals from Kalamazoo, Watervliet, Saint Joseph, Niles, to South Bend, IN.

#### **Donations Made:**

Through physical/monetary donations we were able to donate 2,175 stuffed animals and 975 blankets with an estimated value of \$26,487.

## **Upcoming Events**

### Stuffie Drive:

We will again be holding our semi-annual stuffie drive during the month of May. Join in donating new stuffies or blankets at our local business partners. Locations posted on socials.

#### 2nd Annual Eva Toast:

Join us Saturday June 14th, 2025 for our largest fundraiser of the year and enjoy one of Eva's favorite breakfasts; french toast.





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We would like to thank all the donors and supporters of The Eva Martin Project for 2024! What a year it has been. As we reflect back on the year, we cherish the new traditions and fundraisers that will hopefully set us up for success in the future! Our collaboration with the community and local businesses has been nothing short of amazing! One of our first tie events happened with the support of an awesome Girl Scout troop out of Saint Joseph, MI and we met some really hard workers who loved a challenge. At the end of March, Saint Jospeh High School hosted a benefit dance for Eva and helped us raise money which we bought stuffies with! We had great success in April with our big stuffie drive for Bronson in Kalamazoo, which turned out to be one of their largest tangible gift donations ever! In June, we held our biggest fundraising event and one that will become an annual one, Eva Toast, where we offered breakfast as well as items for auction and our first Eva store items! Early August, we joined a local mom who wanted to give back to Memorial Hospital in South Bend, IN with a wonderful donation we hope to continue going forward. We hosted a table at the Trail or Treat event in Baroda for Halloween and also launched our first annual Eva birthday shirt available for a limited time but excited we now have an online store through our website. We had a successful donation to Corewell Saint Joseph who will be able to also spread the joy to both their Niles and Watervliet locations. We closed out the year with a line dancing event held in Sawyer and to say we're proud of the year we accomplished is an understatement. Thank you to all who helped, contributed and continue to support our mission of comforting littles in local area hospitals.

