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WITH INTENTIONAL KINDNESS AND SUPPORT (WINKS) RECEIVES GRANT AWARD FROM SENTARA HEALTHCARE

(Suffolk, VA) Mar 21, 2022 – Sentara Healthcare recently awarded WINKS a \$24,350 grant to support the Empathy in Action program.

WINKS is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Its mission is to enhance the quality of life for brain tumor patients and caregivers, with the aim of lifting their burdens so that they can focus on the fight. WINKS provides emotional, financial, and logistical support services.

The Sentara Healthcare grant will be used to create and distribute Brain Tumor Power Packs to newly diagnosed brain tumor patients in the Hampton Roads area. The Power Packs will provide tangible comfort items and important information about brain tumors and available resources. Additionally, the Sentara Healthcare grant will enable WINKS to raise awareness in the community, increase the number of need-based Empathy in Action grants, and expand the number of patients and caregivers served.

“WINKS is grateful for the support of Sentara Healthcare and excited to partner with them to reach our shared goal of increasing services to brain tumor patients and caregivers. With the expanded reach of Empathy in Action, we will better equip patients and caregivers to meet the challenges of a brain tumor diagnosis and empower them to make informed decisions about care. As a brain tumor survivor, I know the importance of early decisions made on this journey and the significant impact they have on quality of life,” said Sam Hunter, President of WINKS.

For more information about WINKS, visit the organization's website at winksbt.org.

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