Charlie Girl Foundation

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Dear Vulcan Community Charities,

We are incredibly grateful for your partnership over this past year, your support has helped ensure another fruitful year of raising funds for the Charlie Girl Foundation. Our annual benefit was held on September 13th, this year and was well attended. We had many first time attendees who were able to hear about the impact we have in our community in supporting children dealing with congenital heart defects. With your donation and from others like you, we were able to raise over \$22,000 that evening! We have been overwhelmed by the generous support of all who were inspired to join us in raising awareness and money for pediatric heart research in an effort to support the children and families affected by congenital heart defects.

Your donation was part of this. We thank you, knowing this was the first year of hearing about our foundation and lending your support, know that it was truly impactful. The faith our community partners have had in this endeavor is so encouraging in what sometimes feels like an uncertain time. We are grateful to see the continued warmth and love from others. Your donation meant so much to the success of our event.

Due to your support and those like you, we have already been in contact with The University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital, and Children's Hospital and Clinics of Minnesota to find families in need for 2025. Both hospitals are working with us to get the funds raised into the hands of three deserving children and families with pediatric heart disease for next year. We have also been in connection with both hospitals as well as Heartworks MN who all research ways to change the lives of children with congenital heart defects in order to send over checks to continue the research they are doing.

We hope we will be able to continue a partnership with you in the years to come, but if this year is the only year you are able to donate, we are so moved by your willingness to come alongside our foundation and to support the children in MN who are dealing with these life limiting heart defects and all that entails for them. Next fall we will hold our next annual benefit in September and we look forward to continuing this work and supporting more families each year.

Sincerely, Kelly McManimon and the Charlie Girl Foundation charliegirlfoundation@gmail.com