



January 21, 2016

Dear Friends,

Thanks to you it has been another outstanding year for Callie's Kids. In fact, this past year we experienced several "firsts" for our foundation.

In January, for the first time, we were honored as the top local non-profit at the Talladega Chamber of Commerce banquet. In March, we hosted our first "St. Patrick's Day Drawdown" fundraiser which was a lot of fun and a huge success. In May, we awarded two college scholarships in memory of Callie Wright and Tommy Moorehead to well-deserving high school graduates. And in June, we partnered with the Ritz Theater to host the first "Missoula Children's Theater Summer Camp."

These "firsts" were in addition to our traditional projects, including our Literary Arts project with several local schools, our Summer Art camps and the Missoula Children's Theater fall production. Through these programs, we have seen the lives of many children influenced through the various disciplines of art. Children have learned to express themselves through the Performing Arts such as drama, dance and music. They have used reading and writing to exercise their minds and develop additional knowledge and skills via the Literary Arts. Exposure to and participation in the Visual, Performing and Literary Arts has stretched the imaginations of youth throughout our community in ways that would never have been possible without your support. So, thanks to you, we have certainly experienced a wonderful year! But guess what?! We are STILL "Off to Do Big Things!" The upcoming year promises to be just as productive. Plans are in place

for our second annual “St. Patrick’s Day Drawdown” scheduled for Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to contact me or one of our board members to get your ticket soon and join us for a night of great food, fun and a musical surprise---and of course---your chance to win a variety of prizes, *including \$10,000!*

Collaborative efforts with several of our local schools have been quite successful. This year we are very proud to announce our new partnership with Munford Middle School. This special project centers on promoting education and awareness of the importance of Organ Donation. Actually, a student from the very first Callie’s Kids Summer Arts Camp hosted back in 2010 was recently the recipient of a *heart and double lung* transplant. This strong and beautiful young lady has an amazing story to share, and we are proud to be part of such a meaningful project.

In addition to these and a few other special projects, mark your calendars for the upcoming art camps:

June 13-17 *Summer Art Camp 1*

July 18-22 *Summer Art Camp 2*

June 20-24 *Missoula Summer Camp*

November 14-18 *Missoula Fall Production*

Watch our website for application dates as these popular events fill up quickly!

In closing, we want to thank you again for your support. YOU have enabled us to touch the lives of so many children through the various programs we sponsor. You are an essential part of our success and we deeply appreciate your generosity. We could not provide these opportunities without your continued financial support. 100% of your contributions go to help children. Please continue your financial support so that more children may benefit from our efforts.

Sincerely,

Kelly W. Hubbard, Ed. D.

President, Board of Directors

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