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You have been a caring, generous friend to the Parkhill Foundation, so we want to tell you our plans. The Board made the difficult decision to pause our signature event – Bocce Palooza – for the immediate future. The COVID pandemic, economic factors and the loss of event workforce informed this decision.

Event sponsorships were our major revenue source; many were health care businesses that have seen profits decrease following the dissolution of MI's No Fault Insurance benefit for catastrophically injured people. Also, event organizers were volunteers who can no longer devote the hours necessary to plan and implement the fundraiser.

Bocce was a wonderful experience and fun for all – grantees and supporters – but ticket sales, auction and raffle proceeds were a small percentage of earned revenue. With your past generosity, we have raised \$800,000 since inception and 400 grants were awarded. Without event revenue since 2021, we have relied on unsolicited individual donations. These donations have allowed us to continue to fulfill our mission, and we have given 30 grants since January 2022!

The need for our resources is as great as ever. There will continue to be injured people without the healthcare benefits or private resources to procure much needed and essential services to achieve optimal independence and quality of life.

So, how do we continue our mission to support these individuals and bring the hope of recovery through rehabilitation services? We are actively cultivating and soliciting individual, foundation and corporate donations through an annual fund campaign. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 by the end of the calendar year. We are happy and thankful that all Foundation Board members have pledged to contribute to this campaign.

You can show your support with an annual contribution at any time, a tribute or memorial gift honoring someone, or a year-end gift. You can also donate the amount of sponsorships or event tickets you purchased for past Bocce fundraisers.

We appreciate all that you have contributed to Bocce's success for 13 years. We know that this pivot to a more grass-roots fundraising approach is necessary now as the focus will be on all income being awarded to grantees.

To make a gift enabling us to fund pending applications, please contact Polly Swingle or me at The Recovery Project (734-743-2909), or Ashley Bentz, Office Coordinator. You may contribute by check to "The Parkhill Foundation" c/o The Recovery Project, 11878 Hubbard, Livonia, MI 48150 or at <https://parkhillfoundation.com/>

Thank you, again, for your past generosity, and we hope we can count on your continued support. May you and your loved ones have a wonderful holiday!

Sincerely,



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