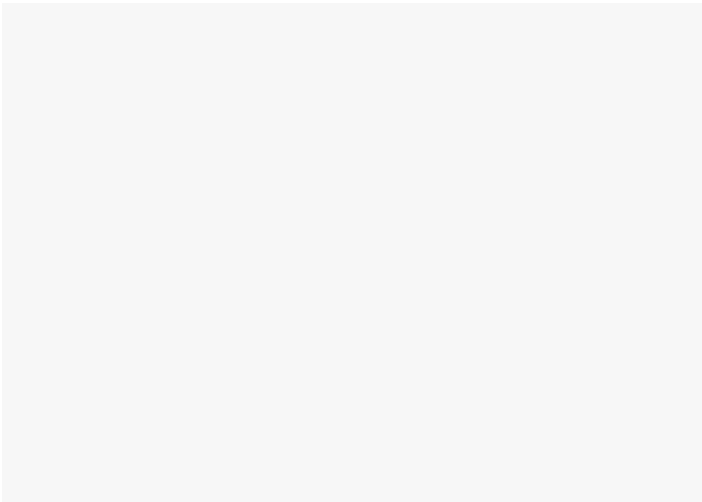




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- Russell R. Wasendorf, Sr. Chairman & CEO, PFGBEST



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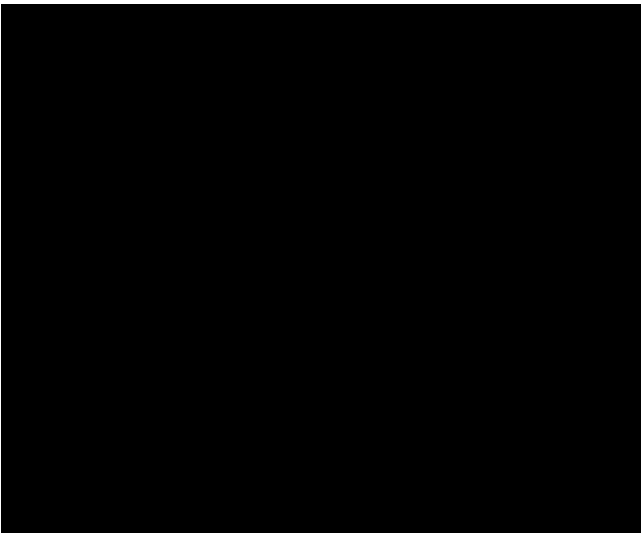
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University of Iowa Children's Hospital Thanks Peregrine Charities



Peregrine Charities Announces 2011 Grant Awards

Cedar Falls, IA, November 29: Peregrine Charities has awarded grants totaling \$187,060 to two eastern Iowa medical facilities. The grants will support medical research for rare pediatric diseases and provide assistance with children's hospitalization and medical treatment.

The University of Iowa Foundation in Iowa City was awarded two grants totaling nearly \$150,000 to advance pediatric research and patient care. The first grant of \$100,000 will augment the Peregrine Charities Discovery Fund for Children's Medicine at the UI, which was created by Peregrine Charities in 2007. The fund supports research into rare pediatric diseases by scientists at the Department of Pediatrics in the UI Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine. To date, Peregrine Charities support of this research fund has totaled \$500,000.

A second grant of \$42,210 will be used to purchase a Fluorescence-Activated Cell Sorting (FACS) Machine, which will advance cell-based therapies for children with many congenital and acquired diseases.

St. Luke's Foundation in Cedar Rapids was awarded \$44,850 for the purchase of a CinemaVision goggle system made specifically for a Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). MRI is a test that uses a magnetic field and pulses of radio wave energy to make pictures of organs and structures inside the body. Children will soon feel like they are going to the movies



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instead of having a medical procedure at St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids thanks to this donation.

Peregrine Charities is a grant-making family foundation that supports medical research for rare pediatric diseases and provides assistance with children's hospitalization and medical treatment. Since 2004, Peregrine Charities has given over \$1.5 million to Eastern Iowa hospitals. Peregrine Charities was established as a 501(c)3 organization in 2004 by the Wasendorf Family.

Peregrine Charities also sponsors and hosts the annual Peregrine Charities Triathlon at George Wyth State Park in Waterloo, IA. The next Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday, August 19, 2012. Registrations for the Triathlon will begin January 31, 2012.

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Helping children soar through medical adversity

Too many young lives are devastated by the effects of disease, illness, and injury. Peregrine Charities helps children be children by helping them grow up strong and healthy - lifting them up and helping them soar.

Research into rare pediatric diseases

There are countless diseases most people know nothing about. Diseases so rare they often go overlooked - and underfunded - so treatments and cures are far away. But there is nothing rare about a disease if your child or someone you love has it.

Rare or "orphan" diseases are those that affect fewer than 200,000 people in the United States. There are more than 6,000 such diseases affecting 25 million - or one in ten - Americans.

These diseases have not been forgotten by organizations and research teams around the world that are looking for cures. Nor have they been forgotten by Peregrine Charities.

Assistance with children's hospitalization and medical treatment

Hospitalization and medical treatment can be risky, stressful, and scary, especially for young people. It can sometimes be difficult for children and families to receive comprehensive care with the latest technology and comforts.

Every child should be able to receive healthcare that is as medically advanced and compassionate as the people who provide it. Peregrine Charities wants to help make that happen.

Peregrine Charities was established as a 501(c)3 organization in 2004 by the Wasendorf Family. "We are fortunate to be able to work for a closer connection with children and families served and to see the impact that is made from gifts to pediatric care providers, researchers and a host of compassionate and talented partners in our extended community." - Russ Wasendorf, Sr.



Peregrine Charities funded this CT scan and room at St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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You have the opportunity to join Peregrine Charities in its efforts to provide help and hope to its recipients.

There are many ways to contribute to our efforts:

1. Donate Online: [Make an Online Donation>>](#)

Donate online using your credit card.

2. Donate by Check or Money Order:

Make checks payable to *Peregrine Charities*. Please note on the memo line the words "web site".

3. Donate Stock or Charitable Remainder:

If you would like to make a donation of stock or set up a Charitable Remainder Trust or Bequest, please contact us at the number listed below.

4. Have another way to support our efforts?

Please call us with your suggestions.

Peregrine Charities: (319) 553-2118

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Carrie Rankin (Director of Development, Allen Foundation) and Amber Wasendorf (Director, Peregrine Charities) stand near the play area at Allen Hospital: United Medical Park in Waterloo, Iowa. This play area was donated by Peregrine Charities in 2009.

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Thank you for your interest in the Peregrine Charities grants program.

Peregrine Charities awards grants to support hospitals in their care of children in Eastern Iowa and surrounding areas. The foundation accepts grant applications by invitation only through a formal request for proposals.

If you have any questions please contact us at info@PeregrineCharities.org or call (319) 553-2118.

Thank you.



Play area at Allen Hospital: United Medical Park in Waterloo, Iowa. This play area for children waiting for pediatric surgeries was donated by Peregrine Charities in 2009.

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Recipients

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We are honored to be partners in pediatric care with Eastern Iowa medical facilities.

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Amount Awarded: \$44,850

Date Awarded: November 2011

University of Iowa Foundation Iowa City, Iowa

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Date Awarded: November 2011

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Amount Awarded: \$100,000

Date Awarded: November 2011



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Have you been touched by a rare disease?

Yes No

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