



Thunder Cares
1201 Gateway Dr.
Elgin, IL 60124

December 8, 2025

Dear Friend of Thunder Cares,

Thank you for your generous donation to Thunder Cares. This is our 8th year fundraising to support worthy causes that help those in need. Over the years, with your generous support, Thunder Cares has raised and distributed nearly \$2 Million.

100% of all monies go directly to the charities. We are pleased to announce that this year's fundraising efforts have reached nearly \$170,000.00. Dawn and I will match every dollar collected at 20%. Please visit our website thundercaresil.org to keep track of the distribution process, links to our outstanding charities, and future Thunder Cares happenings.

In previous years, we have held events to distribute the checks to our recipients. Due to space constraints and delayed timing of donations, recipients' checks will be or have been delivered directly to the following charities.

Charities Included:

- Project Hood, community-based organization, empowering residents of Woodlawn/Englewood community.
- Saturday Place, 3rd and 4th grade intercultural education enhancement program.
- Misericordia, caring for individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Great Lakes Adaptive Sports Association, physical and mental well-being of youth, adults, and injured military personnel with physical and/or visual disabilities.
- Gigi's Playhouse, providing programs and support for people with Down syndrome and their families.
- Sopel Foundation, charity for Dyslexia.
- IBCF – Illinois Backstretch Charitable Foundation.
- Reach Rescue, Inc., foster based animal rescue, encouraging adoptions.
- Galloping Out, thoroughbred aftercare alliance.

Additional support given to the following special projects;

- Funding the installation of a fresh water well for a community in Zambia, Africa that lacked access to clean water.
- Steven O'Byrne College Scholarship Fund (three scholarships).

We are blessed to have you as a benefactor. Thank you for investing in our organization. We look forward to working together in future years towards a limitless cause.

Sincerely,

Martin R. Nixon, President
Thunder Cares