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Friends,

It's always amazing to me how quickly this time of year comes. We are barely out of the heat of the extended summer and the stores are already putting up Christmas displays. I ask that you take a breath with me and slow down for a moment. Let's remember that we still have Thanksgiving to celebrate. In light of the tragic events in Paris last week I think this time of Thanksgiving is even more important. Please remember to take time with your family and loved ones...always.

I am so thankful for all of the dedicated volunteers and generous donors who help Dignity Health Foundation East Valley advance healthcare for our communities. With their help, we have conducted two very successful events; Dancing for Stroke and Laughter is the Best Medicine for Cardiac Care, which raised a combined \$550,000 for those services!! This success was a carryover from our previous year in which we had 400 more donors give toward our efforts. Please view [You Make A Difference](#) on our website for more details from our 2015 year.

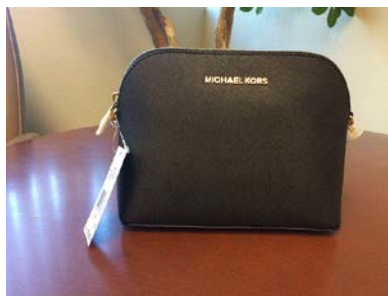
Be on the lookout for our upcoming Thanksgiving appeal in the coming weeks and consider a gift in support of our services. We genuinely appreciate your continued dedication and so do the thousands of patients and families we take care of every year.

All my best,



Aaron Peace, President  
Dignity Health Foundation - East Valley  
480.728.3931

## *"It's in the Bag" Soiree*



You're invited to join the *Women's Philanthropic Society* of the Dignity Health Foundation East Valley on **Thursday, November 19th** at the Art Intersection in Gilbert for your chance

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to take home one of 10 designer handbags with the possibility of additional jewelry or wristlets in three of the bags. Purchase a ticket and drop it "in the bag" for a chance at a handbag from one of these great designers: Botiker, Coach, Michael Kors, Mary Frances, and Kate Spade.

Take home an amazing purse AND make a direct impact on many in our community. All proceeds from event go directly to support two great projects: the Vision Screening program for children age five months and older; and Stroke Camp for Survivors and Caregivers.

Tickets prices are:  
\$ 20 - 1 ticket  
\$ 40 - 3 tickets  
\$100 - 10 ticket

Visit [www.powerofpurse.org](http://www.powerofpurse.org) and click *It's in the Bag* to view the stylish handbags available. *You do not have to be present to win!* The more the merrier, invite your friends that love designer handbags and supporting philanthropic projects. **RSVP by calling the Foundation at 480.728.3931.**



## ***Making It a Joint Effort Fun Run and Walk to Support Orthopedic Programs***

**What:** The event has a distance for everyone, including a 5K Run/Walk, Joint 1 Mile Run/Walk, and 100 Yard Dash, so bring friends and family!

**When:** Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 8 a.m.

**Where:** Kiwanis Park in Tempe

After the race, we will celebrate your success with Waffle Luv and Coffee Run food trucks. Through monies raised at this event, we are able to expand the reach of our services by providing sports medicine training within our local high schools, equipment for joint replacement patients and fund the orthopedic loan closet for patients who cannot afford to purchase medical equipment upon discharge from the hospital. The joint effort of people in our community will ensure programs and services can be delivered to those in need.

Visit our partner Starline Racing and [sign up today!](#)



**Adaptive Equipment *Loan Closet* for Patients in Need - coming soon to CRMC!**

One person can really make a difference. We told you about Diane Milne making a difference for Cancer Patients. Now meet Vanessa McCarthy, a doctoral student at A.T. Still University and physical therapist at Chandler Regional Medical Center. Vanessa is working on a project that will ensure patients with financial hardships have the necessary equipment to mobilize at home upon discharge via a hospital loan closet. The closet is set to launch the beginning of December.

Patients utilizing this closet will receive hands on training and educational handouts from a certified therapist to ensure safe and appropriate use of the equipment at home. The program is just a few piece of equipment away from opening their doors. Please consider making an in-kind donation of one of the following items or [donating to the fund](#) via the foundation's website.

**Medical Equipment or Cash Donations Needed:**

- Wheelchairs
- Bed canes
- Bathtub grab bars
- Tub transfer benches
- Shower chairs

**Items still needed to set-up Loan Closet:**

- Shelving unit
- Utility cart
- Hanging unit for walkers/crutches
- Keypad door lock

**Thank you to everyone for supporting the recent fundraising events:**

The Dancing for Stroke black tie event would not have been the same without volunteers Patrick Hernandez and Terri Lamb, their team of great volunteers, plus Arizona Ballroom Champions and Phoenix Marketing. Euly Smith and Dr. Collins were awarded top fundraisers and great performances were had from Dr. Farukh Qureshi, Terry Peterson, Jenn Crews, Dr. Brian Beck, Dr. Mary Schulteis, and Janet Shepard. Everyone put their heart and soul (and soles) into dancing for patients and their families.

This event was a success because we were able to show that even after having a stroke a survivor can have hope and with the right support the survivor and their family can find joy," said Rex Albright with Dignity Health Foundation.



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[Dancingforstrokeaz.com](http://Dancingforstrokeaz.com) because our stroke patients and their care givers want to go to stroke camp!



Las Vegas entertainer Robb Weinstock and friends from the Circus School at CSA Arts and Entertainment were huge hits! Thanks to all of the volunteer performers, Marty Breeden, Warren Wheat, Justin Pierce, Lee Huff, Kelly Stewart and Richard Prange for fundraising to keep hearts beating longer.

"I have lived in Chandler for over 60 years; recently Dr. Bies saved my sister's life. I donate to the hospital because I want to show my appreciation for the wonderful care. I am grateful we have the best cardiac physicians three blocks from home." Grateful family member, Joan.

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The two fall fundraising events were both held at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort and Spa, a great partner of Dignity Health. Thanks to all the sponsors and to Gilbert Sun, San Tan News and ON Advertising for their in-kind advertising and promotions.

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