



Philanthropy



Charitable Work | Scholarships | Fundraising
Medical Research | Community Development

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth." - Mohammed Ali

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OUR MISSION

Investigating impactful ways to make a difference in our community is something Block & Company has always been very passionate about. For many years, we have been honored to be involved with numerous local and national charities that have been the biggest difference makers in our community.

Block & Company's benefactors include a diversified group of organizations that address several key needs. From funding cancer and diabetes research to feeding families in need, we are proud of the involvement we've had in a variety of worthy causes.

OUR CAUSES

Below is a partial list of charities, campaigns, and programs that Block & Company proudly supports.

Emilie Rosebud Diabetes Research Foundation

The Emilie Rosebud Diabetes Research Foundation was founded in 1998 by David M. Block with the sole mission of finding a cure for diabetes. Funds are contributed through individuals, foundations, companies and fund-raising events and all contributions are used specifically to fund research by specific doctors and clinics which are working on ground-breaking research to cure diabetes. Visit emrosebuddiabetesfund.com for more info.

James H. Block Scholarship Fund

The James H. Block Scholarship Award was founded by Vicky and David M. Block. Each year, the scholarship provides tuition assistance to an inspiring student from an area college.

Alexander Goodwin's Journey

Block & Company has been closely following the story of young Alexander Goodwin since his arrival to Kansas City. His parents, Jeff and Maria, brought Alexander from the UK to Kansas City in 2016 to find better treatment after hearing a bad prognosis from their local doctors. Block & Company is honored to have established a relationship with the Goodwin family during journey. In early 2018, Block & Company set up a GoFundme Page after finding out about the cost of remission treatment. As of late 2019, the GoFundMe campaign has raised over \$42,000.

Operation Breakthrough

Operation Breakthrough provides a safe, loving and educational environment for children in poverty and empowers their families through advocacy, emergency aid and education. Block & Company has been proud partners with Operation Breakthrough since 2008 and our associates have donated and raised thousands of dollars for their worthy cause.



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." - Winston Churchill

“There is no exercise better for the heart than reaching down and lifting people up.” – John Holmes



CHARITY INVOLVEMENT



PARTIAL LIST

David M. Block and many of the associates at Block & Company carry this love of community involvement into their everyday lives by supporting other national and local charities. Below is a partial list of charities our company has been actively involved with in recent years.

- ASPCA
- Alexander Goodwin's Journey - GoFundMe
- American Cancer Society
- American Diabetes Association
- Caring For Carcinoid Foundation
- Children's Mercy Hospital
- Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- Emilie Rosebud Diabetes Research Foundation
- Go Red For Women
- HALO Foundation
- Habitat For Humanity
- Harvesters
- Jazzoo
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
- KC Symphony
- KU Endowment
- Kansas City Zoo
- Meals On Wheels
- Midwest Innocence Project
- NAIA
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Operation Breakthrough
- Ozanam
- Salvation Army - Project Warmth
- Susan G. Komen For The Cure
- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- The Pet Connection

“Those who are happiest are those who do the most for others.” – Booker T. Washington

PROJECT



WARMTH

FOR KANSAS CITY AREA FAMILIES

Project Warmth - 2019

During the 2019 holiday season, Block & Company donated a 14,000 square foot building to the Salvation Army's Project Warmth campaign. The building is located in the Village of Seville Shopping Center in Leawood, KS.

Project Warmth® is an initiative to collect new and gently used coats and blankets as well as cash donations to help people in need during extremely cold weather. The Midwest's extreme conditions during severe weather—hot or cold—prompted the effort to help people in need. Ultimately, Project Warmth® aims to ensure lives are not lost to frigid cold or sweltering heat.

