

*Yes, I would like an  
engraved metal balloon  
in recognition of my  
financial contribution to the  
Children's Free Ward Association*

- ☐ Gold Balloon - \$3,000 and More
- ☐ Red Balloon - \$1,000 - \$2,999
- ☐ Blue Balloon - \$500 - \$999

#### BALLOON INSCRIPTION

Please print the inscription for your balloon as you want it to appear on the Children's Free Ward Association's recognition balloon board. Inscription needs to be limited to four (4) lines of no more than 22 letters each, which includes spaces between words. For assistance in writing your inscription, contact Ascension St. Mary's Foundation at (989) 907-8300.

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## ASCENSION ST. MARY'S FOUNDATION

With the generous gifts donated to us by patients, families, physicians, associates, and community members, the Ascension St. Mary's Foundation enables Ascension St. Mary's to do what it does best ... deliver the healing edge. It begins with the innovation, devotion and compassion of our medical experts. It continues with the finest, most patient-centered facilities - equipped with modern medicine's most amazing equipment and machines.

The Ascension St. Mary's Foundation welcomes all gifts, no matter the size.

With your generosity, our Children's Free Ward Association will continue to grow. And the spirit of Ascension St. Mary's will continue to live on in acts and deeds of health care that will make a profound difference in all of our lives.

We invite you to give ... to help us deliver the healing edge and continue a legacy that began more than a century ago when St. Mary's was founded by four Daughters of Charity to serve a community in need of care. For information about giving opportunities, feel free to stop by and visit us just off the main lobby.



**Ascension St. Mary's  
Foundation**

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Please write to us at our address if, in the future, you wish to have your name added or removed from the list to receive fund-raising requests supporting Ascension St. Mary's.

# Children's Free Ward Association



**Ascension  
St. Mary's  
Foundation**

## WE CARE FOR KIDS

The Children's Free Ward Association of Ascension St. Mary's has been dedicated to providing for the special needs of pediatric patients for a century.

Established in 1911, the members concentrated their activities on the care of children because of the great need for this type of volunteer work. They rented a hospital room for \$12 per week for the establishment of a Children's Free Ward. In 1913, they bought two sewing machines and began a long tradition of sewing needed articles for youngsters in the hospital.

Today, the Children's Free Ward Association continues the tradition of caring for children by providing funds for medical equipment and programs for children. Examples of recent projects include:

- Life-saving equipment such as pediatric crash carts for Ascension St. Mary's Emergency Departments.
- GreenHouse Center of HOPE expansion project
- Camp Healing Hearts - support of the annual grief camp for children and teens who have lost a loved one.
- Asthma Camp - support of the annual Asthma Camp for children, featuring a full day of fun activities while learning about their respiratory condition.
- Pediatric attachments for glidescopes
- Nursing scholarships
- Medical trays for emergency care
- Comfort items such as rocking chairs and pediatric wheelchairs



*"Children's Free Ward Association was organized in 1911. Their mission was helping in the care for children who needed medical attention at Ascension St. Mary's. Through the generations, the women of the Children's Free Ward have quietly continued this commitment in partnership with St. Mary's to the care of children."*

- Sandy Donahue, Board Member

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Children's Free Ward Association has provided fundraising for pediatric medical equipment and critical program support materials since 1911. You can help make a significant difference. By making a tax deductible contribution to the mission and work of the Children's Free Ward Association, you are offering a bit of comfort to this region's young children and families. No matter the need, the Association continues to assist Ascension St. Mary's by providing the healing edge for its young patients.

You can make a financial gift to the Ascension St. Mary's Foundation, in care of the Children's Free Ward Association. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Contributions of \$500 or more will be permanently recognized on the Children's Free Ward Association's recognition wall with an engraved inscription on none of its colorful balloons.

## Yes, I would like to make a contribution to the Children's Free Ward Association

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method:

- ☐ Check    ☐ VISA    ☐ MasterCard  
☐ Discover    ☐ American Express

*\*Online credit card donations can be made at  
stmarysofmichiganfoundation.org*

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

- ☐ \$25 - Friend    ☐ \$100 - Advocate  
☐ \$50 - Patron    ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Gifts of \$500 or more, please see reverse side**

*Checks payable to the Children's Free Ward Association*

- ☐ In Memory Of    ☐ In Honor Of

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please Notify \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Return the form to:  
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