

The Evanosky Foundation Helps Purchase New Washer and Dryer Units for 5200 Unit at Duke Children's Hospital

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The Evanosky Foundation recently contributed \$2,500 to the Duke Pediatric Blood and Marrow Program's Family Support Program to help purchase and install two new washers and dryers for the 5200 unit. The laundry equipment will be used by the parents and caregivers of patients receiving treatment on the unit who cannot leave the hospital floor.

Bob Evanosky, Executive Director of The Evanosky Foundation, discussed the importance of these washer and dryer units. "Having been on the unit with Jack for roughly 40 days, it was imperative that the parents had laundry facilities within arm's reach daily. To think that I may have been required to leave the hospital every couple of days to do my laundry, or worse yet, pay an expensive laundry service to do my laundry is unfathomable. During that



inpatient stay, Jack needed me every minute. I am thankful The Evanosky Foundation was able to contribute through its Family Support program to this endeavor and thereby help transplant families through a difficult but promising time regarding their children."

Lindsey Kearns, Director of the Family Support Program says, "They look and work great and are such a wonderful addition!" Dr. Joanne Kurtzberg, Director of the Duke Children's Pediatric Blood and Marrow Transplant department stated that "our patients spend an average of 55 days inpatient, so this purchase will be extremely helpful and much appreciated by our families as they care for their child during treatment." Go to www.evanoskyfoundation.org for more information on The Evanosky Foundation.