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Christmas For Kids buys iPads for Hospital Emergency Room kids



Jennifer Hoose, presents a check to Terri Hall, Director of Fund Development, to be used to buy iPads for the ER. Also pictured, Lindsey Ellerman and Katie Karr members of CFK Committee of CFK. Note...Terri Hall is also a Kiwanis member.



To learn more about Lake Regional Hospital go to <http://www.lakeregional.com/>

Lake Regional Hospital serves 33,000 in the Emergency Room in 2014.

Thousands of those ER visits are for scared and injured children. Kiwanis & Christmas for Kids is proud to donate \$3900 this week to purchase iPads for the ER to calm and occupy kids prior to procedures to fix their boo boo ! The iPads have special apps that show the kids info about the procedure they will be experiencing and what to expect in the hospital.

Terri Hall, Director of Fund Development, accepted the check on behalf of the hospital and shared with Kiwanis that **Christmas for Kids has donated over \$50,000 total to the Hospital over the years.** Terri Hall is also a Kiwanis member and helps us raise the money. (thank you)

Kiwanis members learned some impressive updates about our hospital serving the community...For example... **at Lake Regional the average time is only 8 minutes average time to be seen by a healthcare provider in the ER....where the statewide average is 27 minutes....**

Other examples include the quick treatment of heart attack and stroke victims. Many stroke victims presenting at Lake Regional have had damage reversed by the use of tpa therapy in the ER long before they could have been transported to a larger regional hospital...very important for a retirement aged population.

Ozark Coast Kiwanis is one of the largest service organizations at the Lake. All funds raised go back to the Lake Community to support dozens of children focused programs that depend on Kiwanis to fund and run their programs.

Kiwanis fundraisers that you might recognize as sponsored by Kiwanis include :

Annual Peanut Day

Duck Drop & Duck Drop Golf Tournament

2nd Chance Bikes

Christmas for Kids

5K Run/Walk to the Beach over the Community Bridge

Plus we provide volunteer support to many community wide events.

Some of the groups that we support/sponsor include: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boy & Girl Scouts, CADV, Feed The Children, Hope House, Lake Regional Hospital, Parents as Teachers, Share The Harvest, Wonderland Camp, YMCA...Key Club, Key Leader, Builder's Club, College Scholarships.

Kiwanis Club of Ozark Coast was organized in 1988. We have proudly served Lake Community children for 26 years.

We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable foundation. Our club members are service-minded men and women from all segments of the community. We meet every Thursday, at **Ozark Yacht Club**, 12 noon to 1:00 pm for lunch, fellowship, discussion of club business, and a program presented by community business people on topics of interest such as community issues, public affairs, service, or entertainment. (Members do not have to attend every week...just when you can and be willing to help volunteer).

We'd love for you to join us for good times as we work together to better the lives of the children in our community. Please join us at our next meeting or contact our Club President for more information.