

More Is...

In addition to granting wishes, Minnesota's own Wishes & More® provides Scholarship of Hope® grants and Memorial funds with very limited staff and MANY volunteers.



We are a wish-granting organization that considers every wish, including popular Midwest wishes such as fishing, hunting, and recreational vehicles.

We are the only Minnesota organization that provides a \$1,000 Scholarship of Hope to each wish recipient, providing hope for their future.

We are the only Minnesota organization that gives memorial financial grants to families when a child does not survive to experience their wish.

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2013 Annual Report

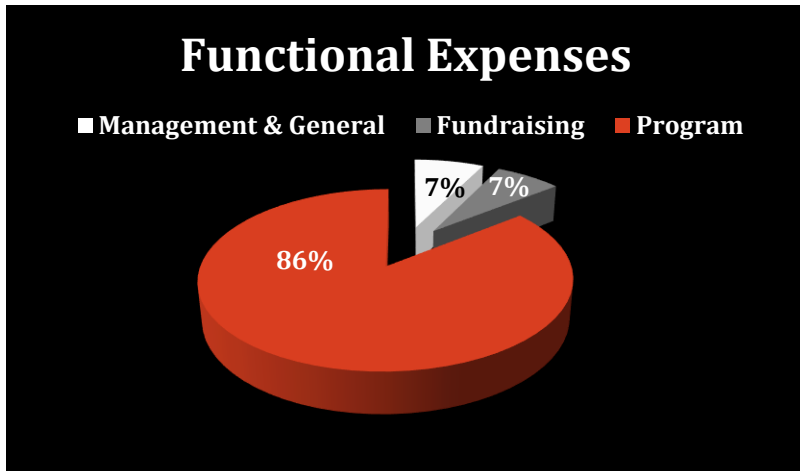
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2013 Finances



See Appendix A – 2013 Audited Financial Statements for more information.

2013 Financial Position

CURRENT ASSETS		SUPPORT	279,899
Cash	400,237	REVENUE	299,130
Certificates of Deposit	125,000	TOTAL SUPPORT/REVENUE	579,029
Pledges and Prepaid Expenses	26,661		
Property/Equipment	2,959	PROGRAM SERVICES	
		Wishes	396,810
TOTAL ASSETS	554,857	Memorials	38,000
CURRENT LIABILITIES	26,524	Scholarship of Hope grants	14,000
NET ASSETS	528,333		
TOTAL LIABILITIES/ASSETS	554,857	SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES	
		Management	38,475
		Fundraising	32,027
		TOTAL EXPENSES	519,312
		Change in Net Assets	56,847

Organization Overview

Mission



Wishes & More® enhances the life of a child fighting a terminal or life-threatening condition by providing extraordinary experiences... and more.

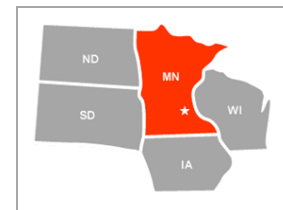
Purpose



Charley & Mom

The purpose of **Wishes & More** is to grant the wish of a child between birth and nineteen who has a terminal or life-threatening condition which will require ongoing treatment and to provide a **Scholarship of Hope**® to be used for higher education: or to give a memorial to the family in the event the child does not survive to have his/her wish fulfilled.

Population Served



The population served by **Wishes & More** is open to all children who apply prior to their 19th birthday and have a physician's qualifying statement attesting to the child's life-threatening condition requiring ongoing treatment. Wishes are granted to children who are living in Minnesota, or who live in the surrounding states; North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Wisconsin. **Wishes & More** will also extend services to those who are receiving ongoing treatment in a Minnesota medical facility.

Unique Programming

Besides granting wishes to these special children who are fighting terminal or life-threatening conditions, **Wishes & More** goes beyond the wish. **More is...**

Popular Midwest Wishes



Austin's Wish

Wishes & More does not discriminate against popular Midwest wish requests such as hunting, fishing, snowmobiles, water craft and sport equipment.

Scholarship of Hope®

Upon being granted their wish, each wish child will be presented with a scholarship certificate that will be redeemable as a \$1,000 financial grant to apply to any higher institution of learning beyond high school.



Ali's Scholarship

Memorial Grants



Mari's Memorial

Sadly, not all of the eligible children are able to experience a wish. In this unfortunate situation, **Wishes & More** will give a monetary gift to the family to use at their discretion.

President's Letter

Dear Friends,

Are you a fan of hometown teams? I know that I am – in fact, almost to a fault. (I always think the Twins will go all the way) It is one of the many reasons that makes me so proud to be associated with **Wishes & More®** – we're a "hometown team"! Not only do we exclusively serve Minnesota & bordering state families, we make the process as easy as possible. It all begins with a simple application and diagnosis confirmation from the child's physician.

The application for **Bud** said his favorite color is orange; his favorite "toy" is a blue pony blanket; and his favorite book is the "Little Engine that Could." Little Bud is only six months old and he left the hospital yesterday for the first time. However, it wasn't to go home. Accompanied by his devoted mother, he was transported to Texas as a candidate for a lung transplant. His worried Dad and his ten year old sister stayed home while Mom checked into the Ronald McDonald house in Houston. I spoke to her today and was amazed by her strength, her positive attitude and her humble request to fulfill a wish for Bud. A five month old has a wish??? She told me that Bud's "wish" is to be able to have his Daddy, his big sister and his Grandma come for a visit for some time during his long term hospitalization. We have no doubt that this is Bud's wish.



Luke, an 18 year old outdoorsman struggling with CF, got away from Minnesota's long winter and enjoyed a private sailboat excursion in the Keys with his parents and two brothers. Next year we hope to provide him with a Scholarship of Hope®.

A few weeks ago, the parents of **D'Elliah** came to the office to pick up the memorial check we provide when a child passes without a wish. They needed the funds in order to finalize her funeral arrangements. We prepared the check immediately, as we prepared it for 40 other families in 2013. To our knowledge, we're the only organization providing these grants and we're on track to do even more this year.



If anyone asks you who **Wishes & More®** is, tell them that we are a "hometown team" that takes care of our own. I also hope that you tell them that you are proud to be one of the supporters that make it happen.

Wishing you health and the love of family and friends,

Karla