



ABOUT THE AUXILIARY

Overview of Hands & Hearts

Hands & Hearts for Children, an auxiliary of Children's Mercy, was founded in 1986 by a small group of young, civic-minded Kansas Citians whose sole mission was to support the hospital through public awareness, volunteerism and fundraising. In the auxiliary's 30-plus years, Hands & Hearts has raised more than \$16 million in support of helping Children's Mercy provide the highest quality of care available for children in Kansas City and the region.

In the early 2000s, hospital leadership turned to the Hands & Hearts Auxiliary for their help in developing a signature fundraising event to replace the Tom Watson Golf Classic which was ending its 25-year run. Hands & Hearts stepped up to the challenge and organized the Red Hot Night Gala which now consistently ranks among Kansas City's top charitable events and provides a key opportunity to make our community aware of the hospital's mission and need for support.

Mission of Hands & Hearts

The mission of Hands and Hearts is to financially support the hospital and cultivate volunteer leadership. We will help reinforce the Hospital's mission and goals by:

- Conducting fund raising activities,
- Providing leadership to support continued advancement of the hospital
- Promoting the hospital's positive image in the community
- Advocating health and wellness of children through dissemination of information
- Increasing participation in volunteer opportunities

Vision of Hands & Hearts

Hands and Hearts will identify, develop, and cultivate the premier network for philanthropic leadership to support continued growth and success at Children's Mercy.

Values of Hands & Hearts

The following values shape the ways in which Hands and Hearts furthers the mission of Children's Mercy.

- Wellbeing of children
- Financial viability of the hospital
- Giving spirit of others
- Leadership development opportunities
- Recognition as a valued resource

Mission of Children's Mercy

Children's Mercy, located in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the nation's top pediatric medical centers. The 367-bed, not-for-profit hospital provides care for children from birth through the age of 21, and is ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of "America's Best Children's Hospitals" in all 10 specialties. For the fourth time in a row, Children's Mercy has achieved Magnet nursing designation, awarded to fewer than seven percent of all hospitals nationally, for excellence in quality care. Its faculty of more than 750 pediatric subspecialists and researchers across more than 40 subspecialties are actively involved in clinical care, pediatric research, and educating the next generation of pediatric subspecialists. With more than a century of generous philanthropic and volunteer support, Children's Mercy has provided the highest level of medical care to every child who passes through its doors, regardless of a family's ability to pay.

COMMITMENT TO SERVE

The Hands & Hearts for Children Auxiliary is a working auxiliary. The hospital is grateful for, and relies upon, the support of its auxiliaries; thus, there are high expectations set for our accomplishments as an auxiliary. Each of us is asked to participate in four areas: Member Responsibilities, Sharing, Contributing, and by taking Action.

Responsibilities

- Be accessible and responsive.
- Attend all Auxiliary and Committee meetings and functions.
- Review agenda and supporting materials prior to Auxiliary and Committee meetings.
- Assist the Auxiliary in carrying out its fiduciary responsibilities (purchase or fill two tables at Red Hot Night).
- Complete Committee and Auxiliary tasks in a responsible and timely fashion.
- Be informed and able to articulate the needs and mission of Children's Mercy.
- Acquaint yourself with the services, policies, and programs of the Hospital (read materials provided and visit www.childrensmercy.org).
- Keep up-to-date on developments in healthcare and medical research news provided by the Hospital.
- Follow conflict of interest and confidentiality policies.

Share

- Inform others about Children's Mercy.
- Suggest possible nominees to the Auxiliary who can make significant contributions to the work of the Auxiliary and to the Hospital.
- Identify and evaluate prospects.
- Open doors, look to your contacts in the community and solicit their support.
- Assist the hospital in creating relationships with new and potential donors or assist in strengthening existing hospital/donor relationships.

Contribute

- Serve on a committee and offer to take on special assignments.
- Participate in a volunteer service activity at the hospital organized by the auxiliary (such as preparing and/or serving meals to families in the family room, participating in or contributing to a Partners in Play activity with inpatients and their siblings, etc...).
- Contribute through a personal and/or corporate financial gift.
- Develop ideas for unique auction items and if possible, assist in securing items.
- Commit to volunteering for a portion of Red Hot Night event set-up.

Act

- Endorse proposals through phone calls, personal visits, correspondence, etc.
- Sign letters of request to donors you have a relationship with.
- Sign letters or notes of thanks when those you solicit respond positively.
- Make your gift before you solicit others to make theirs.
- Be an engaged host at Red Hot Night if able to attend.



Dear Hands & Hearts for Children Candidate:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Hands & Hearts for Children Auxiliary supporting Children's Mercy. Auxiliary members are asked to serve a three-year term with the option of renewing for a second term. Nominations are being accepted through April 29, with elections scheduled for May 13, and the 2018-2019 Hands & Hearts auxiliary year beginning in June or July with a summer social.

To complete the nomination process, the Nominee Information Form and Candidate Reference Form **must be received by April 29, 2019.**

- Nominee Information Form (to be completed by nominee)
- Candidate Reference Form (to be returned by person completing form)

Submit by email (preferably) or mail by April 29, 2019 to:

arlopez@cmh.edu OR
Ashley Lopez Anguiano
Children's Mercy, Department of Philanthropy
2401 Gillham Road
Kansas City, MO 64108

If you are filling out the forms electronically, we will also accept a typed signature, provided the form is submitted from the email address of the signor. Ashley from Children's Mercy will confirm when she receives your form and reference and our board will be in touch with you this May. If you have any questions at all, please feel welcome to ask a current board member or Ashley at 816-701-4598.

We appreciate your willingness to help Children's Mercy and your interest in the Hands & Hearts for Children Auxiliary.

Sincerely,

Randy Pope

President

Cc: Sarah Happ
President-Elect

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2018-19 Officers

President

Randy Pope

President-elect

Sarah Happ

Immediate Past President

Bryan Andres

2018-19 Auxiliary Members

Bruce Anderson
Bryan Andres
Jeff Anthony
Clare Blasi
John Brandmeyer
Leslie Breer
Sheri Crabtree
Meagan Dowell
Rod Eisenhauer
Sarah Ferguson
Jackie Foy
Diane Gallagher
Becky Gordon
Kai Guo
Joe Gregg
Suzy Hall
Sarah Happ
Julie Kelly
Felisha McDougald
John Michaels
Matt Miller
Cindy Muller
Kisha Nickell
Steve Peppes
Joe Podrebarac
Nancy Pope
Randy Pope
Walter Porter
Mike Schram
Catalina Thompson
Susan Waldron

Children's Mercy Liaison

Ashley Lopez Anguiano
*Manger of Philanthropic
Community Engagement
and Auxiliary Operations*



NOMINEE INFORMATION FORM

(To be completed by the candidate)

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Work Address: _____

Work City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Work Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Home City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Email: _____

Preferred *Mailing Address*: Work Home

Preferred *Email Address*: Work Home

Preferred *Phone*: Work Cell

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

Previous and current involvement in your workplace or other organizations:

Dates	Position	Committee/Chapter/Project	Description of Involvement

NOMINEE STATEMENT

Please provide a brief summary as to why you would like to become a member of the Children’s Mercy Hands & Hearts for Children Auxiliary.



CANDIDATE REFERENCE FORM

(To be completed by current or former auxiliary member OR Children's Mercy Employee)

Hands & Hearts Current Member or Children's Mercy Employee:

Please complete on behalf of your Nominee who would like to become a member of the Hands & Hearts for Children Auxiliary of Children's Mercy. We will accept this form electronically with your typed signature as long as it is returned from your own e-mail address.

Return to Ashley Lopez Anguiano at: arlopez@cmh.edu OR

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Name of CANDIDATE: _____

Name of person providing REFERENCE: _____

The above-named individual is a potential candidate for Children's Mercy Hands & Hearts Auxiliary. This individual requires a reference from a current/past Hands & Hearts Auxiliary member, physician, staff member, donor, etc.

1) In what capacity and for what length of time have you known the candidate?

2) What would be the candidate's major contribution(s) to Hands & Hearts?

3) Why do you recommend this nominee to join the Hands & Hearts Auxiliary?