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Community Health Charities partnership with United Way provides donors the opportunity to direct their donation to specific health charities through designating their gift by completing a Donor Designation Form.

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ALS Association-Keith Worthington Chapter

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Executive Director: Beckie Cooper

The Keith Worthington Chapter of the ALS Association is the only non-profit voluntary health care organization dedicated solely to the fight against Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) or Lou Gehrig's disease through research, patient services, information dissemination and public awareness. Provides a vital link for patients and families to education, information and services to help them live productive, meaningful lives with ALS.

Alzheimer's Association - Heart of America Chapter

3846 W 75th Street, Prairie Village, KS 66208

Phone: (913) 831-3888

E-mail: debra.brook@alz.org

Website: www.alz.org/kansascity

Executive Director: Debra Brook

The Alzheimer's Association provides programs and services for and support and assistance to individuals with Alzheimer's, families and caregivers, research dollars for the prevention, treatment and cure of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

American Liver Foundation, Mid America Division

16 Hampton Village Plaza Suite 215, St. Louis, MO 63109

Phone: (866) 455-4837

E-mail: rmattler@liverfoundation.org

Website: www.liverfoundation.org

Division Vice President: Richard Mattler

The American Liver Foundation is the nation's leading organization for liver health promotion and disease prevention providing research, education and advocacy for those affected by hepatitis and other liver related diseases.

American Lung Association of the Central States

2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4300, Kansas City, MO 64108-2080

Phone: (816) 842-5242

E-mail: djensen@breathehealthy.org

Website: www.breathehealthy.org

Development Director: Denise Jensen

The mission of the American Lung Association is to prevent lung disease and promote lung health through research, education and advocacy.

Arthritis Foundation, Inc. - Western MO/Greater Kansas City

1900 W. 75th Street, Prairie Village, KS 66208

Phone: (913) 262-2233

E-mail: srock@arthritis.org

Website: www.arthritis.org

Director: Steve Rock

The Arthritis Foundation is a local organization helping people take greater control of arthritis by leading efforts to prevent, control and cure arthritis and related diseases - the nation's number one cause of disability. Through patient and professional education, exercise programs, children's programs, public information, physician referral and arthritis research, the Arthritis Foundation is bringing help and hope to the nearly 70 million Americans with arthritis and related diseases.

Asthma & Allergy Foundation of America, Greater Kansas City Chapter

400 E. Red Bridge Rd., Suite 214, Kansas City, MO 64131

Phone: (816) 333-6608

E-mail: info@aafakc.org

Website: www.aafakc.org

Executive Director: Melissa Ford

AAFAKC, founded in 1982, provides educational programs for nurses, physicians, daycare workers, adults and children. It also provides breathing machines, peak flow meters, spacers and other equipment needed to control asthma. AAFAKC has adult discussion groups, college scholarships and a summer day camp. Education materials and a quarterly newsletter are available free of charge.

Be the Match Foundation (National Marrow Donor Program)

8700 State Line Rd, Leawood, KS 66206

Phone: (913) 901-3100

E-mail: gbass@nmdp.org

Website: www.marrow.org

Executive Director Gayle Bass

NMDP - Heart of America Donor Center recruits, manages and supports donors from throughout the United States who are willing to become marrow donors for patients whose lives depend upon marrow transplants. The corporate office in Leawood handles all administrative functions and houses donor data. As donors match patients, they are contacted by the Heart of America office most convenient to them in either Kansas City, New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis, Omaha, or Central IL.

Brain Injury Association of Kansas and Greater Kansas City, Inc.

6405 Metcalf Ave., Suite 302, Overland Park, KS 66202

Phone: (913) 754-8883

E-mail: bjohnson@biaks.org

Website: www.biaks.org

Executive Director: Betsy Johnson

The Brain Injury Association aims to improve the quality of life for persons with head injury, provides support to their families and provides programming to prevent head injury.

Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City

10200 W. 75th Street, Suite 281, Shawnee Mission, KS 66204

Phone: (913) 384-4848

E-mail: kcdsg@sbcglobal.net Website: www.kcdsg.org

Executive Director: Amy Allison

The Down Syndrome Guild provides support and resources for individuals with Down Syndrome and their families, while providing education to increase awareness and foster positive attitudes throughout the community.

Fibromyalgia Coalition International

5201 Johnson Dr., Suite 210, Mission, KS 66205-2920

Phone: (913) 384-4673

E-mail: yvonne@fibrocoalition.org Website: www.fibrocoalition.org

Executive Director: Yvonne Keeny

Fibromyalgia Coalition International provides information and resources, conducts support group meetings, holds an annual conference, supports research, publishes newsletters/magazines, hosts a website and offers empowerment and hope for people suffering with Fibromyalgia/CFS.

Gift of Life, Inc.

6405 Metcalf, Suite 109, Overland Park, KS 66202

Phone: (913) 851-1947

E-mail: keith@giftdonor.org Website: www.giftdonor.org

Executive Director: Keith Anderson

Gift of Life saves lives by building awareness of the critical need for organ donation. In Missouri and Kansas, 3000 people await life-saving transplants. Help others live.

International Essential Tremor Foundation

11111 W 95th St., Suite 260, Overland Park, KS 66214

Phone: (913) 341-3880

E-mail: crice@essentialtremor.org Website: www.essentialtremor.org

Executive Director: Cathy Rice

IETF provides information, services and support to individuals and families affected by essential tremor. The organization supports research to determine the causes, treatment and cure for essential tremor.

Joshua Center for Neurological Disorders

7611 State Line Rd., Suite 142, Kansas City, MO 64114

Phone: (816) 763-7605

E-mail: beckyjc@kc.rr.com Website: www.joshuacenter.com

Executive Director: Becky Ottinger

The Joshua Child and Family Development Center supports programs designed to improve the lives of individuals and families living with Tourette Syndrome, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder and Asperger Syndrome through research, education, social and clinical programs.

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation - Kansas City Chapter

920 Main, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105

Phone: (816) 472-7997

E-mail: lrinnebaum@jdrf.org Website: www.jdrf.org/kansascity

Executive Director: Lindsay Runnebaum

The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation funds research for the prevention and cure of diabetes and its complications. Promotes diabetes awareness and support through community, media and corporately based programs.

Kansas City Hospice, Inc.

9221 Ward Parkway #100, Kansas City, MO 64114

Phone: (816) 363-2600

E-mail: emcintosh@kchospice.org Website: www.kchospice.org

Executive Director: Elaine McIntosh

Kansas City Hospice provides hospice home care, hospice in nursing homes, Hospice House, various counseling services, Carousel pediatric services, and (pre-hospice) Palliative home health care. Staff includes nurses, social workers, chaplains, physicians, nurses' aids, art and music therapists, grief counselors and volunteers.

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Inc - Mid-America Chapter

6811 W 63rd Street, Suite 202, Shawnee Mission, KS 66202-4003

Phone: (913) 262-1515

E-mail: janna.lacock@lls.org Website: www.lls.org/mid

Executive Director: Janna LaCock

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society is a national voluntary health agency dedicated solely to seeking the cause and eventual cure of Leukemia and its allied diseases - lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma - and improve the quality of life of patients and families.

March of Dimes Foundation - Greater Kansas Chapter

4400 College Blvd., Suite 180, Overland Park, KS 66211

Phone: (913) 387-3608

E-mail: ddaldrup@marchofdimes.com Website: www.marchofdimes.com/kansas State Director: Diane Daldrup

The March of Dimes Foundation aims to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality through programs of research, community services, education and advocacy.

Midwest Christian Counseling Center

4800 Main St., Suite G-29, Kansas City, MO 64112

Phone: (816) 561-3726

E-mail: dehman@midwestchristian.org Website: www.midwestchristian.org

Executive Director: Dave Ehman, Ph.D.

The Midwest Christian Counseling Center develops and supports mental health programs of a preventive, diagnostic, treatment, educational and research nature. Midwest addresses emotional, behavioral and relationship problems.

Midwest Ear Institute Inc.

4200 Pennsylvania #100, Kansas City, MO 64111

Phone: (816) 932-1660

E-mail: iherrero@saint-lukes.org

Website: www.saintlukeshalthsystem.org

Development: Irwin Herrero

Midwest Ear Institute is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life by restoring hearing through education, clinical research and treatment of hearing and balance disorders. Programs offer extensive diagnostic testing for hearing and balance problems. Treatment of hearing loss includes hearing aids and cochlear implantation. MEI is affiliated with the Mid America Brain and Stroke Institute of Saint Luke's Health System. MEI also participates in many local health plans as well as Medicare and Medicaid.

Missouri Hospice and Palliative Care Association

1808 Southwest Blvd., Suite B, Jefferson City, MO 65109

Phone: (573) 634-5514

E-mail: jane@mohospice.org

Website: www.mohospice.org

CEO: Jane Moore

The mission of Missouri Hospice Organization is to improve education, communication, technical assistance and referrals. Advocate for the needs of patients and families at the end-of-life.

NAMI (Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Greater Kansas City)

406 W 34th Street, Suite 603, Kansas City, MO 64111

Phone: (816) 931-0030

E-mail: sokcami@aol.com

Website: www.kcnami.org

Executive Director: Guyla Stidmon

NAMI is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with severe mental illness, their families and friends through programs of support, education, advocacy and research.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society - Mid America Chapter

7611 State Line Rd., Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64114

Phone: (913) 432-3927

E-mail: kay@nmsskc.org

Website: www.msmidamerica.org

President: Kay Julian

The mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is to end the devastating effects of MS. The Mid-America Chapter provides information and referral services, support groups, education programs, medical equipment loans, wellness classes, financial assistance, long-term care support and other services to people with MS, their families, and health care providers. The National MS Society also supports research into finding treatments, the cause and a cure for multiple sclerosis.

Northland Therapeutic Riding Center

P.O. Box 1267, Kearney, MO 64060

Phone: (816) 472-1855

E-mail: ntrc@crn.org

Website: www.northlandtrc.org

Executive Director: Elizabeth Thompson

Northland Therapeutic Riding Center provides equine-oriented, rehabilitative therapy for children and adults with special needs, including autism, MS, hearing, speech and visual challenges, cerebral palsy and Down Syndrome.

NOVA Center, Inc.

8401 Hickman Mills Rd., Kansas City, MO 64132

Phone: (816) 761-8614

E-mail: cwatnova@aol.com

Website: www.novacenter.org

CEO: Cary Williams

NOVA specializes in working with persons from one year through adulthood with Autism and developmental disabilities (L.D., B.D., and E.M.H.). Services include school, day programs, vocational programs and residential programs.

Parkinson Foundation of the Heartland

8900 State Line, Suite #320, Leawood, KS 66206

Phone: (913) 341-8828

E-mail: meg@parkinsonheartland.org

Website: www.parkinsonheartland.org

Executive Director: Meg Duggan

Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological disorder causing tremor, stiffness, slowness of movement and loss of balance. The Parkinson Foundation of the Heartland works to fund the research for a cure, to improve the quality of life for patients, caregivers and families and to educate and provide resources to patients, medical professionals and the public.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kansas City

2502 Cherry St., Kansas City, MO 64108

Phone: (816) 842-8321

E-mail: awzeiler@rmhckc.org

Website: www.rmhckc.org

Director: Whitney Zeiler

Ronald McDonald House provides temporary lodging in a homelike, supportive environment for families with children undergoing critical medical care.

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America - Kansas City Chapter

1734 E 63rd Street, Suite 600 E, Kansas City, MO 64110

Phone: (816) 444-5600

E-mail: scdaakc@aol.com

Website: www.kcsicklecell.org

Executive Director: Jim Collier

The Sickle Cell Disease Association of America - Kansas City Chapter provides the community with information about this disease and its impact on patients and their families through education and public information. Sickle Cell Disease Association also provides client services to sickle cell patients and their families.

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America - Uriel Owens Chapter, Inc.

444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 321, Kansas City, KS 66101

Phone: (913) 735-2622

E-mail: owens@sicklecellkck.org

Website: www.sicklecellkck.org

Executive Director: Linda Golson

The Sickle Cell Disease Association of America provides various services to persons with sickle cell disease and their families. These services include transportation vouchers, emergency financial assistance, scholarship assistance, referral assistance and speakers.

Special Olympics Kansas, Inc.

5280 Foxridge Drive, Mission, KS 66202

Phone: (913) 236-9290

E-mail: hahnc@ksso.org

Website: www.ksso.org

CEO: Chris Hahn

Special Olympics Kansas is dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports competitions, health and nutrition programs and leadership development. Offering year-round initiatives to children and adults with intellectual disabilities, Special Olympics Kansas is a platform for acceptance and inclusion as well as one of the largest advocates for healthy lifestyles in the state - regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or cultural differences.

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Resources, Inc.

4051 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111

Phone: (816) 569-6956

E-mail: carneill@sidsresources.org

Website: www.sidsresources.org

Community Educator: Cheryl Arneill

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Resources provides free supportive services and education to those affected by the sudden and unexpected death of an infant – birth through 12 months. SIDS provides education and support to professionals and communities regarding healthy and safe infant care practices. SIDS provides support for research on preventing SIDS and other infant death.

Susan G. Komen for the Cure, Greater Kansas City Affiliate

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Website: www.kckomen.org

Executive Director: Lori Maris

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