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Dear Members of the Zitwer Foundation,

On behalf of the Child Life and Creative Arts Department at Kravis Children's Hospital thank you for your continued support and recognition of our programming and services to the children and families we serve. We are very pleased to update you on the wonderful items we were able to purchase with the funds from our June 2014 grant.

This past June we were able to provide a wide range of areas and departments with the funds received. The Pediatric Emergency room received funds for medical play dolls and play medical equipment for preparation and education. These dolls are used daily in the emergency department to assist children with coping and adjustment. The items are friendly and inviting to children since they are toy sized, providing normalization and education. The child life specialist utilizes the dolls to teach about procedures and illness in a non-threatening way. Our meditation specialist also received funds to purchase Hoberman Mini Spheres and a CD and DVD meditation library. These items have greatly increased the use and understanding of meditation and relaxation with our children and families. The children love the mini spheres when learning to take deep breathes and relax. This is so important when working with children since deep breathing allows them to control a situation when they sometimes have no control. The electronic dartboard is purchased and unfortunately due to renovations in our play space has not been able to be mounted. We will update the board immediately with photographs and vignettes from our teens once it is installed. We have mentioned the purchase of the item to some of our chronic and terminal teens and they are excited to use it! They stated that there would be more opportunities to interact with one another in the Zone for teens.

We are truly grateful for the above items; the services provided with the items brightened the hospital visit of our children and families. Please enjoy the photographs attached to see what an impact the funds have made.

Sincerely,


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