

WHY YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

Since A Vintage Affair's inception 25 years ago, it has again raised more than \$13 million to support Children's National Hospital. This year, the Founders Auxiliary Board will present this vitally important signature event. Continuing in the tradition of making every dollar count, funds raised will go to our Grants and Major gifts programs in support of the requests of Children's National's doctors, nurses and staff.

We are proud of the hospital's many clinical and research accomplishments over the years and the enormous contribution our generous donors have made to the cause. Sponsor donations from *A Vintage Affair* have gone directly to:

- propel innovative research and enable critical programs
- champion best practices in pediatric community health

Grant Awards are made at a variety of levels.

Major gifts of \$1 million+ help advance groundbreaking pediatric research and patient care. Recent awards supported:

- Sickle Cell Disease pain management
- A state-of-the-art Telemedicine Command Center providing 24-hour monitoring and care of the most critically ill patients (a particularly valuable resource during COVID-19)
- A pediatric dental clinic in an underserviced area of the District of Columbia

Grants ranging from \$5,000 - \$75,000 assisted in:

- Designing the first U.S. pediatric hospital evidence-based models and practices. These can deliver the best patient experience, and aid in success across all settings, often in cooperation with other support networks such as schools and communities
- A study to determine if, in very small premature infants, the use of amino acids can ameliorate the risk of brain damage, where white matter abnormalities occur due to a lack of oxygen and blood flow

Smaller grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000 transformed the patient experience by providing:

- Night lights that allow children to feel more comfortable and get a better night's sleep. With better sleep, research has shown, comes quicker healing, better outcomes and earlier discharge from the hospital
- Capes and masks to young patients undergoing surgeries to transform them into "superheroes"

When you decide to sponsor A Vintage Affair, it matters because every dollar makes a difference. Your support propels goals into achievements. In June 2023, US News and World Report reported that Children's National, maintained its ranking of #5 overall best children's hospital in the nation.

When you think about where your money will do the most good, remember: when you sponsor A Vintage Affair, you will make a difference that can last many lifetimes.