## TGH Children's The Impact of Your Giving: Hospital Brooke's Butterfly Bash Foundation

### Because of you ...

Eight pediatric Lupus patients and their families have been helped through your generosity from January through August 2023.

#### Your fund has provided support for:

Gas cards to assist with transportation to and from appointments Rent assistance Electric bill assistance Walmart gift cards to purchase toiletries and clothing Publix gift cards to cover prescription costs

# We Are Informing Patients of your Funding by...

Working with clinic manager Gina Lombardo, who gives each patient and their family an informational sheet about Brooke's Butterfly Bash funding, how much money is available, and what funding can be utilized for. Gina works with each patient and their family confidentially, to maintain their privacy.







Thank you for your support!

#### TGH Tampa General Hospital

#### FOUNDATION

## Funding Opportunities To Help With Lupus Treatment Costs Are Available!

Funding is provided by Brooke's Butterfly Bash Foundation, a non-profit that was established by Denise Brown, after her daughter Brooke Brown passed away in 2017 at the age of 18 due to complications from Lupus.

Denise is a local Realtor, fundraiser, and volunteer, but a mother first. For the past 5 years, Brooke's Butterfly Bash Foundation has benefited children and families battling Lupus through the Tampa General Hospital foundation.

Denise's passion for this cause is her way of honoring her daughters legacy of helping others. Brooke's illness over the years defined her purpose of helping children by wanting to become a pediatric nurse. Denise's goal is to prevent another child from suffering, like Brooke.



Brooke's Butterfly Bash Website



#### What is the purpose of the funding?

The fund will provide financial support for children and families diagnosed with Lupus.

**How much funding is available per patient?** Up to \$2,500 is available per patient family.

#### What can the funding be used to support?

Some examples of what the funds have supported previously are:

- · Rent and utility assistance
- · Grocery stipends
- Gas cards to help with transportation to and from treatments and appointments
- Hotel stays

Our team is here to help work with you to best support your financial needs.

**Can my funding request remain anonymous?** Yes, funding requests can

remain anonymous. Our team can also help to connect you with Denise Brown, founder of Brooke's Butterfly Bash Foundation.



**Brooke Brown** 

To learn about funding opportunities available, contact Gina Lombardo glombardo@usf.edu 813-259-8722