

HOUSING SOLUTIONS FOR **making** a difference

HOPE

By **Scott Bingham**, Guild President

CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC SUPPORTING LOCAL CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN NEED



Housing Solutions for Hope (HS4H) guild is the first-of-its-kind non-profit entity within Seattle Children's that is focused on providing "financial bridges" in support of housing for patient families who are cared for at the Hospital. These bridges are in the form of paying rent or the mortgage for up to three months for families who are at risk of homelessness because of having a critically ill child. The mission of the HS4H guild is to provide hope and care for families beyond the four walls of the hospital. The guild's president, Scott Bingham, says "that every patient family deserves a safe, stable, and clean home for healing. Through our guilds we raise money with support from our community, corporate sponsors, and guild members. Together we can prevent homelessness for many families."

Each year thousands of families struggle to care for their sick child and maintain the health of the whole family. With this in mind, the Housing Solutions for Hope guild was officially founded and launched in 2019 to ensure that patient families at Seattle Children's in greatest need have housing solutions to improve the health outcomes of their children. Families helped have been able to move from a car or shelter into a house, or have been able to remain housed by paying monthly rent or mortgage. To date, the guild has helped over 72 families stay housed. These funds go directly to support the housing needs of families as all guild members are volunteers. HS4H is in the right place at just the right time to make a significant difference.

On Monday, August 2nd the guild partnered with the Sand Point Country Club to hold the inaugural Housing Solutions for Hope Charity Golf Classic. The non-profit event is one of only a few tournaments hosted at SPCC each year and was supported by thirty corporate sponsors and community businesses. With over 115 golfers playing, the "call to carts" was conducted with a hearty welcome and thank you by guild president Bingham. The tournament was an unrestricted scramble with foursomes teeing off at each hole simultaneously. There were several fun contests including: the long drive, closest to the pin, and the hole-in-one contest where a golfer could win a new Shelby Super Snake Mustang provided by Pierre Ford. At the "Big Shot Cannon" hole, sponsored by Kyocera Northwest, golfers took turns shooting their golf ball with a handheld cannon up to 400 yards down the fairway. Golfers and volunteers enjoyed lunch on-the-go donated by Chick-fil-A.

Throughout the tournament players also competed against one another in a putting contest, sponsored by Coppei Partners. The contest ran throughout the entire day, ending with an exciting put-off between the top four golfers. The tournament concluded with an awards ceremony and happy hour including a raffle drawing for a seven-day luxury trip to Mexico. Corporate sponsors also donated many great prizes including Dell electronics, tee-gifts from Bradson Consulting, Hull Homes, Cornerstone Home Lending, Indigo Urgent Care and Denali.

"Many of the golfers, volunteers, and corporate sponsors provided immediate positive feedback throughout the day", said Bingham. "Given this was our inaugural charity tournament, there were many elements we built this year and are already in motion for planning next year's exciting event!" Housing Solutions for Hope is making a real difference in our community and actively supporting families who are under incredible pressure of having a critically ill child while also housing insecure.


If you are interested in learning more about Housing Solutions for Hope, their mission, and upcoming events, please visit their website at housingsolutionsforhope.org. Connect with them on social media through their website and watch for more information for the next HS4H charity golf tournament to be held at Sand Point Country Club on August 1, 2022!




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