



Keisha Y. Brown
Angel Wings Fund

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We are excited to publish our first quarterly newsletter. We hope to connect and inform our community, donors and board members. Take a peak at some of the exciting things we have been up to the past few months here at the Keisha Y. Brown Angel Wings Fund. Thank you for helping us “Help Others Soar.”

Mardi Gras Magic 2018

Oct. 27 2018

Our biannual Pink Gala took place in October raising \$16,895 for families and individuals in our community who have been impacted by cancer. It was an evening filled with fun, friends, food and fundraising!

The Mardi Gras theme was a tribute to Keisha's Louisiana roots. Dinner for the evening consisted of red beans and rice, cajun shrimp, crab cakes, bread pudding and other Mardi Gras favorites. People were dressed in their Mardi Gras best, decked with beads and masks. The highlight of the evening was Three Men and a Tenor's amazing performance.



Nov. 27, 2018

The Angel Wings fund participated in our first #GivingTuesday this past November. We were able to raise \$1,900 for those in our community who have been impacted by cancer. We thank those who shared and participated for "Helping Others Soar." We are excited to grow this campaign and see what will come of it in the future

For those who may not know, Giving Tuesday is a national day to give back. It takes place the Tuesday after Thanksgiving to help remind individuals to give back to those in need.

1st Giving Tuesday

#GIVING TUESDAY

HELP US RAISE \$3,000 FOR FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY

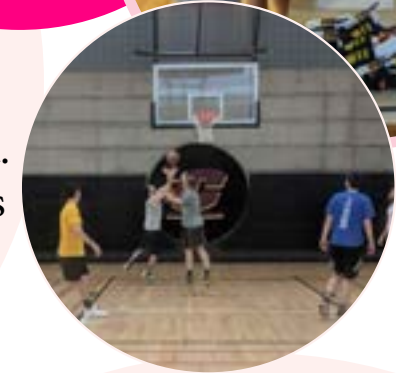
November 27 - A day to give back

Nov. 18, 2018

CMU's sports management capstone class hosted a 3-v-3 basketball tournament benefiting the Keisha Y. Brown Angel Wings Fund in November.

The class was able to raise \$5,340 for the fund. The proceeds will go towards the Angel Wing's academic scholarships. One of which is awarded annually to a CMU student. The fund is extremely grateful for the students' hard work and generosity.

Box Out Breast Cancer



This holiday season we were able to give back to eight families in need. The Denise Terwilliger and Family Fund was able to provide four Thanksgiving meals to families who have been impacted by cancer in our community. Along with these meals, the fund was also able to pack their pantries full of food.

Four additional families were chosen to receive \$300 in gift cards this Christmas. In the past, the Angel Wings purchased toys for families, however, all of our families this year did not have children.

Riley Terwilliger, daughter of the late Denise Terwilliger, comments saying, "we knew she [her mother] would want nothing different," and, "to be able to bring a little bit of joy to their holiday season is very impactful and meaningful to my family."

Holiday Hugs Program



Meet our new team members



Dr. Emma Powell
Ph.D. C.N.P.
Board Member

Hometown: Dewitt, MI

Occupation: Political Science & Public Administration Department professor at CMU.

Interests: She is the advisor for the Nonprofit Leadership Student Alliance (NLSA) of CMU, Pi Alpha Alpha, faculty advisor and the Certified Nonprofit Professional credential, campus director. Loves spending time with her family.

Angel Wings Why: "I have always enjoyed nonprofit work and thought that Angel wings was an amazing organization to be apart of."



Ashlee Croy
Digital Media Intern

Hometown: Kalamazoo, MI

Occupation: CMU student double majoring in integrative public relations and broadcasting

Interests: Reading, eating new foods, coffee, motorcycles and meeting new people

Angel Wings Why: "I love everything that the fund stands for. This internship allows me the opportunity to gain valuable experience while helping those in need."



Donielle Hetrick
Campaign Coordinator Intern

Hometown: Leonidas, MI.

Occupation: Fraternity and Sorority Life at CMU Graduate Assistant

Interests: Reading, volunteering, baking

Angel Wings Why: "I love and believe in the mission of the fund."

Letter from the Executive Director

From the moment Keisha opened up about her cancer diagnosis in 2007 the love and support our family received from the community was more than we could have ever imagined. Knowing she had so many in her corner – including people we never even met – Keisha was inspired to fight harder every day.

Keisha also realized that everyone battling cancer doesn't have that same outpouring of support and wanted to change that. That's why she created the Angel Wings Fund to make a difference for individuals and families dealing with cancer. Even as she struggled, she continued to encourage others. Keisha showed that no matter what cancer was doing on the inside of you, it doesn't have to change what you do on the outside. And most of all, she wanted to ensure that it doesn't change the dreams a family has for its children.

The Keisha Y. Brown Angel Wings Fund continues to carry Keisha's legacy of compassion and love for others. Since our inception in 2007, Angel Wings has established endowed scholarships at Alma College, Central Michigan University, Sacred Heart Academy and the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation. Additionally, we have created the Holiday Hugs program through the Denise Terwilliger & Family Fund to provide gifts and meals to families impacted by cancer.

The success of the Keisha Y. Brown Angel Wings Fund would not be possible without the commitment of our board of directors and the generous support of our donors and community members. As the executive director of Angel Wings, I extend my sincere gratitude to all who have partnered with us in our mission.

If you're new to Angel Wings, I invite you to learn more about our work and how you can help us to continue to make a difference in our community. Let's use our Angel Wings to help others soar!

Sincerely,
Damon Brown
Executive Director

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