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A Walk to Remember

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Our hearts are with everyone affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. The devastation from these storms is heartbreaking. We hope that you and your loved ones are safe and that your needs are being met as we all work toward recovery. The Hospice Care Centers were able to remain open and served the patients during the hurricanes. We continue to fulfill our mission of brightening the lives of the patients, families, and communities served by Tidewell Hospice and Empath affiliates.

Looking forward, we are preparing for the expanded needs for counseling within the Community Grief and Blue Butterfly Family Grief Programs. We are hiring additional Grief Counselors to meet the need in our four-county region. Recently we hosted the first ever Grief Care Art Show at the Lakewood Ranch library funded by donors. The art show featured creations from participants of the Tidewell Grief Support Program. Participants use art to process their grief, to help them heal, and to move forward.

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The Tidewell Foundation is profoundly grateful to its supporters, whose generosity and compassion make all the difference. The Foundation needs your support now, more than ever. Together, we are creating brighter days for those facing life's most challenging moments.

With Gratitude,



Jonathan D. Fleece
President & CEO, Empath Health
and Affiliate Programs



Delesa Morris, M.S., CFRE
President
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P.S. The 16th Annual Signature Luncheon will be hosted on March 7 at The Ritz Carlton, Sarasota. Plan now to participate in Tidewell Foundation's Premier event.

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YEAR-END GIVING DEADLINES

Key dates for your charitable giving before midnight December 31, 2024.

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Real estate gifts

Any real estate gifts requiring a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment must be initiated with Tidewell Foundation by this date.

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Proprietary mutual funds

All proprietary mutual fund transfers must be initiated by this date.

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Complex gifts

To ensure your complex gift can be completed by December 31, your asset donation form and all required documents must be received by December 13. Due to the high volume of complex gifts at the end of the year, we encourage you to submit your documents as soon as possible. We can accept your gift as early as today with an effective date of December 31, 2024. Contact your Tidewell Foundation philanthropy advisor for forms or more details.

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Publicly traded securities

All stock and mutual fund transfers should be initiated with the transferring broker by this date. E-checks also need to be initiated by this date. A physical check or a wire transfer should be considered instead of an E-check after December 15. (Tidewell Foundation must receive the gift by Dec. 31 to count toward the 2024 tax year.)

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Cash Gifts

Physical checks must be postmarked by USPS or wire transfers received by Tidewell Foundation no later than December 31.

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IRAs

Givers who would like to make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from their IRA should submit a QCD request to their IRA custodian. The check or electronic transfer should be made payable to and sent to Tidewell Foundation allowing sufficient time for the IRA custodian to make the distribution by December 31. Allow additional time for physical checks from the custodian or those written by you from your IRA checkbook.

Download year-end giving forms at [TidewellFoundation.org](https://www.tidewellfoundation.org).
Questions? Contact our team at (941) 552-7546.





Remembrance Walk teams celebrate their loved ones and raise funds to support

Tidewell Foundation's 2nd Annual Remembrance Walk, presented by Acrisure, offers a symbolic path forward for those who have experienced the death of a loved one. Not only does it provide an opportunity to honor their memory and celebrate their lives, but the event also fosters a community of compassion and support.

Sue Barber joined hundreds of participants at the event in 2023, to walk in memory of her daughter and husband. Sue led the "Memory Keepers" team and plans to do so again this year. Sue shared, "I never would have made it through the illnesses, and post death grief of my daughter and husband without the Home Health Care and grief support provided by Tidewell."

Likewise, **Terry Dale** will participate again this year. She said, "I still struggle to find the right words to thank the nurses and doctors of Tidewell who took care of my husband and me during the last days

of his struggle with lung and brain cancer. We walk to honor my husband, Bill, and to raise funds for others who are struggling like we did."

The Remembrance Walk serves as a powerful reminder that no one has to walk alone on their grief journey.

Whether you participate as an individual, a team of friends and family, or even virtually, the Remembrance Walk offers a space for healing and connection. In addition to the walk, participants can explore resources at the Full Life Fair and celebrate award winners in the categories of Top Team, Top Fundraiser and Top Empath Colleague Team! All proceeds will benefit the vital hospice care, complementary services, and grief support services the Tidewell Foundation makes possible.

Start a team or register as an individual at TidewellWalk.org





Join Us at Nathan Benderson Park on
November 9, 2024



Memory Keepers

When I saw the opportunity to honor Amanda and Bruce in a Remembrance Walk last year, I created a team so others could walk with me and pay tribute to their special person. The *Memory Keepers* had 22 members! My goal this year is to double that, with out-of-town friends joining as Virtual Walkers.

~Sue Barber,
 Memory Keepers Team Captain.

Tidewell programs.



2024 Remembrance Walk Committee

Special thanks to our Walk committee members for 2024.

- Sarah Alexander
- Sue Barber
- Terry Dale
- Pam DeNobile
- JoAnn Jordan
- Kathy LeFevre
- Patricia Meeks
- Dan Powers
- Katie Powers
- Callie Weber
- Danielle Wondrak



Get Ready for Event Season

Tidewell Foundation hosts a variety of events in support of raising funds for Tidewell Hospice and Empath Health Affiliates.

Each November, Tidewell Foundation embarks on a renewed and refreshed calendar of life-brightening events and fundraising activities that are designed to fulfill the charitable giving endeavors of all corners of our community.

November 2024 Tidewell Foundation Remembrance Walk

Last year's inaugural Walk was such a great success, we are excited to make it an annual event! Being held on **November 9, 2024** at Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota, the Walk provides an uplifting atmosphere in which hundreds in our community celebrate the legacy of their loved one while also raising needed funds.

Thanksgiving Meal Drive

Now in its fourth year, the Tidewell Foundation's Thanksgiving Meal Drive raises funds to purchase meals for patients and their family

members, so they can enjoy a stress-free holiday. Local restaurants and partners like Morton's Market prepare heat-and-serve meals that volunteers and staff deliver. Last year, over 500 meals went to patients and their families.

Your contribution will make a meaningful impact on hospice patients. Donations are being accepted until **December 1** through the Tidewell Foundation website.

December 2024 Blue Butterfly Holiday Gift Drive

The death of a loved one can feel especially overwhelming at the holidays. You can brighten a grieving child's holiday season by sponsoring their holiday wishes! Contact **Megan Wenger** at MeganWenger@TidewellFoundation.org or (941) 552-7515 to sponsor a child or to learn about more ways you can help.

To ensure timely gift delivery, donations must be received by **December 2**.



February 2025

Tea With Tidewell

Being held at the Tidewell Foundation offices at 3550 S. Tamiami Trail in Sarasota, our 2025 Tidewell speaker series will bring you an engaging keynote speaker once-a-month beginning **February 24**. Sign up for our eNewsletter to receive the most up-to-date information about the event series.

March 2025

16th Annual Signature Luncheon

Save the date for the crown jewel of the event season! The 16th Annual Signature Luncheon will be held **Friday, March 7** at The Ritz-Carlton, Sarasota.

Each year, the Signature Luncheon hosts engaging keynote speakers that share their personal stories of pain, courage, triumph, and compassion to a packed ballroom. This season's keynote speaker is sure to inspire all in attendance. Information will be available at TidewellFoundation.org/SL16 to become a sponsor or reserver your seat.

For more information on any of these events, go to TidewellFoundation.org.

Announcing the Keynote Speaker for the 16th Annual Signature Luncheon

Tidewell Foundation is thrilled to announce the inspiring featured speaker for this year's Signature Luncheon:

Dr. BJ Miller! Dr. Miller is a renowned advocate for holistic well-being and author of *"A Beginners Guide to the End."* As a hospice and palliative care physician and triple amputee, Dr. Miller has been featured in the Netflix documentary *"End Game,"* on the TED Talk stage, and on *Super Soul Sunday* with Oprah. He will share his powerful message to reconsider, embrace, and prioritize what truly matters in life.

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