



Charity Ball Awareness Video 2020

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[JIM MARTENS]

Bowling Green is the best place in the world to live.

[JOHN KELLY]

It's a wonderful city, it's a giving city, but we still have areas of need.

[LIZ BRADLEY]

There is no other charity that I can imagine than this one that is as important. Health is the great equalizer. If you don't have your health, you have nothing.

[JOHN KELLY]

We do have individuals who are either under-insured, uninsured, or do not physically have the resources to take care of themselves.

[DR. SUMAN SHEKAR]

It is so disheartening to see that, like you know, that some people are working two jobs, but still they are not able to pay for their health insurance.

[CARA PITCHFORD]

People can't afford insurance, people can't afford co-pays.

[KATHY SMITH]

Can you imagine not having medical or dental care? I cannot imagine being in those shoes, especially if you have children.

[LIZ BRADLEY]

Years ago, when my husband and I first found out that we were expecting our first child, we were not expecting the expenses that go along with the pregnancy, much less a pregnancy with complications. My oldest daughter was born weighing only one pound, fifteen ounces and if it had not been for the people who raised money and cared about making sure there was free healthcare in the community, my story would have had a very different ending.

[JIM MARTENS]

When we get a chance to serve others and give to others who are less fortunate or disadvantaged, how can we say, “no”?

[LIZ BRADLEY]

Just to be able to take the burden, financially, off of someone to be able to seek medical or dental care and not have to make a choice between a need and a want.

[DR. SHEKAR]

Medical Center has given us a great backbone in creating this community clinic within this town.

[JOHN KELLY]

I think it’s one of the best well-kept secrets in the community.

[JIM MARTENS]

Every nickel that you give, every dollar, goes directly to the cause. There is no overhead.

[JOHN KELLY]

That’s very important for people to know. In this case, one hundred percent is going to helping those individuals.

[LIZ BRADLEY]

The people who gave before I had my child will probably never know the impact that they had. When I donate every month, I think I probably will never know, never see who this helped. But it’s like a ripple effect. The effect goes on and on and on. It helps so many in our community.

[CARA PITCHFORD]

It’s very important that we do this, and you know we have found our community to be strong and even more supportive than ever because we have a generous community.

[JIM MARTENS]

If I can do something to help someone else along the way, that’s what my wife and I want to do.

[JOHN KELLY]

Given everything that’s gone on in our community over the last number of months, I would encourage people – if you’re in the position to give, to give even more.

[LIZ BRADLEY]

I would just love to see the clinic grow and just continue to be able to fill the need as Bowling Green grows.

[JOHN KELLY]

Be able to grow, offer more services, be able to offer those services to more and more people in our community who need them.

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