

2024 GRANT APPLICATION

Name of Organization

Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels

Project Title

Meals of Hope

Dollar Amount Requested

10000

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Title

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Mission of Your Organization

Our mission is to bring dignity and comfort into the harsh world of childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases.

How long have you been established in Tempe (if not Tempe, please indicate in which metro area city you are located)?

Although the Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels headquarters is located in Phoenix, we have been providing services to children with cancer in Tempe for over 12 years, starting in 2012.

Do funds exclusively benefit programs or organizations that serve City of Tempe or Tempe residents? (If not please elaborate. 250-word maximum)

The funds requested in this proposal will be used to serve children's hospitals and cancer clinics in Phoenix and the East Valley that serve Tempe children/residents who are experiencing cancer or life-threatening illnesses, and their families' financial burdens.

Describe in detail the program that the funds are requested for and how the funds will be used within that program. (250-word max)

AHRA respectfully requests \$10,000 in support of our Meals of Hope Program, which addresses the financial and emotional costs of caring for a child with cancer or other life-threatening illnesses. Our staff often witness the enormous financial burden incurred with a cancer diagnosis, in which many families often go without food because they cannot afford it. With the Tempe Diablos support, the Meals of Hope Program will enhance food systems surrounding childhood cancer, which includes hospital cafeteria gift cards and food for families needing extra assistance feeding their children and themselves throughout this journey. Weekly meals are also provided to families at Phoenix Children's Hospital where AHRA children are being treated.

Amanda Hope goes where we are needed most. Approximately 50% of the families we serve are considered low-income and are in high-stress situations due to their child being in the hospital for most months on end. The simple act of ensuring access to a basic human need - food, sustains our mission by bringing comfort and dignity to families faced with the emotional, physical, and financial burdens of caring for a child with cancer/life-threatening illness.

Please describe the beneficiary(s) of the funds or the organization (i.e., grade school kids, college students, residents in general).

The beneficiaries of this program are Tempe children/residents and are receiving treatment for cancer and other life-threatening illnesses, and their families' at children's hospitals and cancer clinics in Phoenix and the East Valley. The families we serve are low-income and

underinsured. AHRA provides services to children ages 0-18 and their families of all races, ethnicities, and income levels. 22% of the financial support requests AHRA receives from families are for groceries/meals. Providing meals to our families eliminates their food insecurity as they navigate medical expenses, constantly being pulled away from home, and childhood cancer. Our families' experiences can best illustrate the impact of the Meals of Hope program. "AHRA has given us plenty of meals while we were in for a transplant and those days it took the stress away that much more. It has definitely been nice to get a meal that is not fast food and is fresher tasting and healthier than the hospital food. It was also nice to see everyone."

How many individuals will the funds benefit?

Funds will benefit approximately 100 families

Have you received funds in previous years from the Tempe Diablos Charities?

Yes

Previous Grant Title:

Meals of Hope

Briefly restate the plan outlined in original request. Were any modifications to the plan necessary? If so, please briefly describe modifications along with the effect(s) they had on the program.

In our original application Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels (AHRA) respectfully requested \$10,000 to support 100 families through our Meals of Hope Program in Tempe. Meals of Hope provides free, nutritious meals for families facing childhood cancer or terminal illnesses. This program provides meals and hospital gift cards for families who need extra assistance while their child receives treatment in the hospital or outpatient clinic. AHRA was awarded \$7,500 and, with the grant funding, provided assistance to 75 children, and their families, experiencing cancer and other life-threatening illnesses.

Briefly restate the measurable outcomes as outlined in the original request. What progress have you made towards achieving these outcomes during this period.

Throughout the grant term, AHRA projected:

- 95% of families served will report an increase in quality of life.
- 100 families would be served throughout the grant term.

With the adjusted grant award AHRA met the following outcomes by serving 75 children and families through the Meals of Hope Program and 91% of the families served reported an increase in the quality of life.

What methods or strategies are being used to gather data on the program to document measurable outcomes.

AHRA provides surveys to measure the outcomes of our clients, such as the increase in quality of life, including the number of meals and cafeteria gift cards we distribute.

What methods or strategies are being utilized to assure requested funds support specifically Tempe residents.

AHRA ensures grant funds are being utilized to support specifically Tempe residents by verifying addresses on a families intake application when they agree to receive services provided by AHRA.

As applicable, explain any plans for ongoing funding, expansion, modification or replication of the program.

Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels uses a strategic plan to ensure the sustainability of our Meals of Hope Program and all other programs. This includes diversifying funding by seeking funding through foundation, corporate, and state funders, through special events, and many third-party fundraisers annually. AHRA staff works diligently across all our programs to fulfill our mission by bringing comfort and dignity into the harsh world of childhood cancer and other life-threatening illnesses.

Were all funds utilized as outlined in the original request. Please submit program budgets as submitted in original proposal and actual for this period. Explain any variances over 10 percent.

Yes, all funds from the Tempe Diablos were utilized as outlined in the original request. AHRA had originally requested \$10,000, and we graciously received \$7,500 for our Meals of Hope Program. Grant funding provided 75 children and their families living in Phoenix and Tempe with meals and hospital cafeteria gift cards.

List any Tempe Diablos funds organization has received in the past. If the organization has received funding through the Tempe Diablos Charities, for consecutive years, please submit a comprehensive report of grant funding toward the stated program objectives and mission of the organization. In addition, you may be asked to provide a formal presentation to the Tempe Diablos Charities prior to the awarding of any additional funding.

In 2020, Tempe Diablos awarded AHRA \$2,817.55 for the Comfycozy program. Additionally, in 2021, AHRA was awarded \$2,000 for the Comfycozys for Chemo program. In December of 2021, Tempe Diablos graciously donated \$5,000 for our Meals of Hope Program. In 2023, AHRA was awarded \$5,000 for our Comfycozys for Chemo program. In 2024, AHRA was awarded \$7,500 for our Meals of Hope Program. All grant funds were imperative to provide meals to children undergoing treatment for cancer and other life-threatening illnesses, and

their families. Please find attached an additional report with pictures detailing our most recent program grant accomplishments.

What percentage do the requested funds constitute of your overall budget?

Less than 1% of our overall budget.

Would you accept partial funding?

Yes, AHRA would accept partial funding. However, fewer families would be served.

What is the first date of your board meeting after July 1st?

08/18/2025

May we deliver your grant award in person?

Yes

Have any member(s) of your organization attended a Tempe Diablos event?

Yes

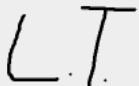
Please list events attended.

Lorraine Tallman (Founder and CEO) attended the check presentation at the Desert Botanical Gardens on 10/7/2024.

Attachments:

- [AHRA-5k-and-up-Corp-Foundation-Funders.pdf](#)
- [AHRA-2024-Organization-Budget.pdf](#)
- [AHRA-Board-List-2025.pdf](#)
- [AHRA-Tempe-Diablos-Report-2024.pdf](#)

Signature



Title

Founder and CEO