



A Light in the Community

Dear Friends of The Davies Project,

In a world that feels chaotic and cold, I find profound strength and refuge in the work we do together at The Davies Project. Every day, I am privileged to meet our warm, dedicated volunteers—people who consistently extend a helping hand to neighbors facing difficult struggles. They offer much more than assistance; they provide companionship, a steady presence, and a powerful sense of hope during times of deep turmoil.

I remember a similar feeling of despair 26 years ago this month, when my son, Peter (then 3), was diagnosed with cancer. In those dark moments, some friendships I thought were steadfast faded, while others I barely knew stepped in like the truest of angels. The world felt turned upside down. Yet, step by step—one treatment at a time, one act of kindness after another—our friends, neighbors, family, doctors, and nurses guided us through to a beautiful ending I once thought impossible.

This holiday season, all five of our children will be home, including Peter's wife, Anyāh. It's the first time in two years everyone will be together in Michigan! I am deeply grateful for my family and extended family for the time we get to share. But I am equally grateful for my Davies Project family, for being part of what a truly loving community looks like.

Thanks to your volunteerism and financial support, we continue to shine a much-needed light along the path toward health and healing for hundreds of Lansing-area children. Their futures are brighter because of your commitment.

Let's keep doing this vital work, showing the world what it truly means to love fiercely—with compassion, courage, and acceptance.

Happy Holidays to all of you!

Warm regards,
Pam

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