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Wings of Hope Awarded Grant from eBay Foundation

Wings of Hope Cancer Support Center announced today that it has received a \$2,000 grant from the eBay Foundation's employee volunteer-led GIVE Team.

According to Carolyn Ettinger, program administrator at Wings of Hope, the grant will be used to fund a portion of the Center's "Hierarchy of Healing" project, which includes services that meet the physiological, security, social, cognitive, self-actualization and spiritual needs of cancer patients.

Ettinger said the 18-month project incorporates four of the Center's programs:

- The ***Hope Chest Renewal Room***, which provides comfort for cancer patients during and after their treatment. Items provided to patients include cancer information resources; wigs, turbans and hats; survivor bag of comfort items; and spa days.
- The ***HOPE Program***, which provides transportation vouchers and prescription assistance.
- ***Counseling sessions***, including coping and relaxation techniques.
- The ***Healing Touch*** service, which is a relaxing, nurturing energy therapy that utilizes gentle touch to assist in balancing the individual's physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well-being. Healing Touch works with each person's energy field to support their natural ability to heal.

"This grant will allow us to greatly enhance the level of care and support we can provide to cancer patients and their families in southwest Iowa," Ettinger said. "We are so pleased and fortunate that the eBay Foundation's employee volunteer-led GIVE Team find value in our programs."

The eBay Foundation's employee volunteer-led GIVE Team empowers employees to support their communities through volunteerism and employee-sponsored grants.

About Wings of Hope

Wings of Hope Cancer Support Center was independently established as a non-profit organization in September 1994. The goal of the organization is to provide emotional support and guidance for patients, family members, and health professionals as they move forward in their cancer experience. Wings of Hope Cancer Support Center offers support groups, private counseling, patient and family education, community resource referral, patient and family resource library, and community educational opportunities. **All of the services and programs provided by Wings of Hope are offered free of charge.** For more information about Wings of Hope and its programs, visit <http://www.wingsofhope.org/home.asp> or call (712) 325-8970.

About eBay Foundation

eBay Foundation was established by eBay, Inc. in 1998 and, reflecting eBay innovation, was the first corporate foundation to be endowed with pre-IPO stock. Since inception, the Foundation has contributed more than \$21 million to non-profit organizations worldwide. The Foundation engages eBay Inc. employees and supports their pursuit of charitable giving and volunteerism through its GIVE Team program. In addition, using a unique combination of foundation funding, employee volunteerism, and other resources, eBay Foundation has created The Opportunity Project to extend the company's commitment to global citizenship. By scaling social innovations that create economic opportunity, The Opportunity Project gives people in need the chance to participate in the global economy, provide for their families, and build stronger communities. For more information: www.theopportunityproject.org