

Tree of Hope



cultivated by The Women's Guild
of The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis

The Healing Power of Hope

The news strikes suddenly...a car accident, a gunshot, a sports injury. No one is prepared for the shock and overwhelming feeling of loss that comes with paralysis.

Families tell us they feel paralyzed, too. "I never imagined such a thing could happen to us. Things are moving so fast... and at the same time so slowly. I don't know what to do or where to turn."

The Lois Pope LIFE Center – the state-of-the-art spinal cord injury research facility on the University of Miami campus – houses the world-renowned Miami Project to Cure Paralysis. Just inside its doors is the Women's Guild Family and Education Center, a place where families learn to cope with the challenges of paralysis.

The Tree of Hope is a bronze sculpture of memory and honor, created by the Women's Guild to help fund research that is already changing the lives of a quarter million paralyzed Americans and their families.

Beneath its boughs, families can find shelter from the tempest within. The refuge of a single, towering tree holds healing powers for the soul. And in the silence of the woods, there is a call to meditate. There is peace. *And there dwells hope.*

Your Gift is a Gift of Hope

With its roots anchored in the earth and its leaves stretching skyward, a tree is strength, courage and vibrant life. It is memory. It is the future's promise. *It is hope.*

For 250,000 Americans paralyzed by spinal cord injury – and 10,000 more every year – hope depends upon the research being conducted at The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis. *And The Miami Project depends upon you.*

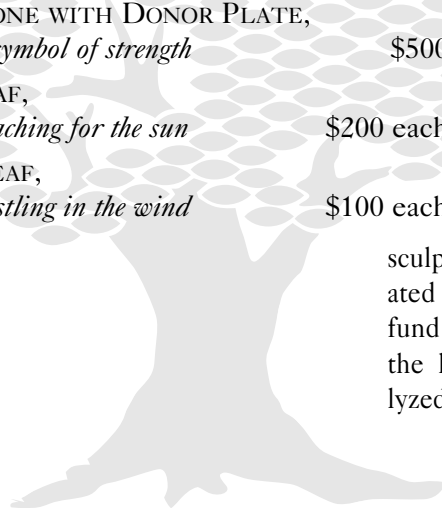
With a gift ranging from \$100 to \$35,000, you can be a part of the life-changing medical research that will one day bring thousands to their feet.

Gifts will be recognized with engravings on the tree, trunk, stones and leaves of the Tree of Hope. The engraving may be yours or your family's name, or the name of your firm, or you may make the gift in the name of a friend or loved one.

The Tree of Hope is at the entrance to the Women's Guild Family and Education Center, prominent in the main lobby of the Lois Pope LIFE Center, and visible to all the scientists, staff, volunteers and visitors to The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis.

Giving Level of Recognition

THE TREE, <i>the backbone of the tree</i>	\$35,000
THE TRUNK, <i>the tree's foundation</i>	\$25,000
ROCK-EDGE DONOR STONE, <i>silence in the woods</i>	\$1,000
BRASS STONE WITH DONOR PLATE, <i>a symbol of strength</i>	\$500
GOLD LEAF, <i>reaching for the sun</i>	\$200 each
SILVER LEAF, <i>rustling in the wind</i>	\$100 each



Pledge Form



Please fill out the pledge form and return to:

WOMEN'S GUILD TREE OF HOPE
The Miami Project to Cure Paralysis
Post Office 016960, R-48
Miami, Florida 33101-6960

Name _____ Firm/Company _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: Day _____ Evening _____ Fax _____

Yes, I want to support the *Tree of Hope* with a tax-deductible gift of \$ _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Enclosed is my check payable to *The Miami Project Women's Guild* in the amount of \$ _____

Please charge my Visa MasterCard AmEx Discover Card No. _____ Expires _____

Amount to be charged \$ _____ Name as it appears on the card _____ Signature _____

MY GIFT SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AS FOLLOWS

Name as it should appear on the *Tree of Hope*

THE TREE¹ \$35,000 _____

THE TRUNK¹ \$25,000 _____

ROCK-EDGE STONES² \$1,000 _____

BRASS PLATE STONES² \$500 _____

GOLD LEAF³ \$200 each _____

SILVER LEAF³ \$100 each _____

¹Pledge arrangements can be made for this giving opportunity. ²Maximum number of characters for each stone is 30. ³Maximum number of characters for each stone is 20.

If your gift is made in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one, please provide a name and address so that we can send a notification of your gift.

This gift is made: In memory of _____

In honor of _____

his/her special kindness birthday anniversary special occasion _____

Please notify the following person of this gift: _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____