

Vivienne's Joy Foundation's Starry Night Gala

I'm writing today to ask for your support of an organization that is near and dear to my heart. I'm serving on the 2020 gala planning committee for Vivienne's Joy Foundation (see below for more information). The gala will be held on May 2nd, 2020 at the Saint Paul Athletic Club.

Our goal for this year is to surpass our results from the 2018 gala and raise \$175,000. In order to achieve this lofty goal, we're asking local businesses to support our initiative and hope yours will sign on to the effort. Not only will our results be made stronger with your engagement, but it will earn you positive recognition in the community for your meaningful and impactful support.

Specifically, we are looking for auction items to include in both our silent and live auction events. Some of the items that were the most successful at our last event included:

- Week/Weekend Vacation Home Rental
- Round of Golf at area golf courses- Hazeltine, Interlachen, Spring Hill Golf Club, Windsong
- Sports Memorabilia
- Club Memberships- e.g. Pool & Yacht Club, University Club, the Coven
- Tickets to Sporting Events
- Gift cards of any value to be included in our punch board game
- Family Experiences and/or Summer Camps
- Food & Wine experiences
- Fine Wines / Fine Foods Basket
- Gym Membership/Personal Training
- Jewelry
- Fine Art
- Bottles of wine to be included in our wine pull game

If you would like to donate an item please complete the attached form and return it to silentauction@viviennesjoy.org. If you would like to make a financial donation to the foundation to help meet our goals, it can be made online (www.viviennesjoy.org/donate-now.html) or mailed to Vivienne's Joy Foundation, 1041 Grand Ave, #111, Saint Paul, MN 55105. Thank you for your consideration of this request and for the myriad ways you support our community.

For Vivie,



Julia Burgess
Vivie's Mom

About Vivienne's Joy Foundation:

The Vivienne's Joy Foundation was established to honor the memory of Vivienne Claire Burgess, a vibrant and joyful St. Paul girl who passed away suddenly and inexplicably in her sleep in November 2016, just two days after her 3rd birthday. The mission of the foundation is to raise awareness of Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood (SUDC), support bereaved families, and bring joy to others.

After successfully completing the rebuild of the playground in St Paul's Boyd Park in 2019 (www.viviennesjoy.org/vivies-playground.html), Vivienne's Joy Foundation is partnering with the SUDC Foundation (sudc.org) to make the SUDC Foundation's Family Retreat accessible to all. This critical and restorative annual event is for SUDC families from all over the country to come together with others who know their unique grief. The retreat features opportunities to empower bereaved families with innovative ways to cope with grief, as well as therapeutic play sessions for children who have lost a sibling. The retreat offers parents and families a weekend of respite and culminates with a celebration of all the young lives lost too soon.

Vivienne's Joy Foundation is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. For more information, please contact Julia Burgess, julia@viviennesjoy.org, 612-670-3409

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VJF 2020 Gala Silent Auction Donation Form

*We appreciate your support, thank you!
Please return this form to silentauction@viviennesjoy.org*

Donor Name/Organization:

Donor Mailing Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Description of Donated Item/s:

Approximate Retail value/Fair Market Value: \$0.00

What Organization or Individual name/s would the donor like to be recognized?

Date donated item to be delivered to VJF: