



MEMORANDUM

October 2, 2017

To: Roseland Community
Fr: Jay Adams, MA JA
Re: Bear Fair

On behalf of the ATF Board of Directors and our nearly 1200 clients with HIV/AIDS, I want to express our sincere thanks for your generous donation of \$2458.00 from the 2017 Bear Fair. The generosity of the Roseland community will help us meet the needs of people living with HIV /AIDS in West Virginia and surrounding counties.

The hard work of the event's organizers, enthusiasm of the guests and the generosity of all of the seasonals, guests, vendors and others, who provided items for the raffles, never fails to overwhelm us at the ATF. Your continued support enables us to provide ancillary services such as food, transportation, eyeglasses and emergency assistance to our clients. These wrap around services aid us in ensuring that our clients stay in care and enjoy longer and healthier lives. We will add the Roseland donation to the Broadway Cares grant of \$7500.00 to reach the maximum number of clients.

We are proud to partner with Roseland to provide free confidential HIV testing to the Roseland community. By providing a safe environment for testing that helps guests and staff to update their HIV status, we are also able to provide referrals for HIV care and discuss PrEP with those guests who are seeking up to date information.

For the last 30 years, the ATF has been in the forefront of the response to HIV/AIDS in West Virginia and the surrounding counties of Ohio and Pennsylvania. As the contractor for the State of West Virginia, for Ryan White Part B funding, we are able to strategically spend the donations to fill in the holes in services not allowed by our federal funders. The 2017 Roseland donation and Broadway Cares grant will enable us to enhance the lives of those that we serve and will aid us in meeting the growing needs we encounter in serving our clients.

Please share our thanks with all who were involved in this year's Bear Fair event. Their energy, enthusiasm, donation of their talents and dollars and their concern for people living with HIV/AIDS is truly inspirational. We are proud to be the recipient of this donation and to partner with Roseland in HIV testing and condom distribution.