

WHEELCHAIR FOUNDATION / KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Wheelchair Distribution Program

With each \$75 donation, the Wheelchair Foundation can deliver a wheelchair to someone that desperately needs one but cannot afford one.

\$75 \$150 Other \$ _____ COUNCIL# _____

Donor's name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Wording on Certificate of Thanks (see sample on www.wheelchairfoundation.org):
(See reverse side for additional designations)

"The Wheelchair Foundation wishes to thank:

COUNCIL (above) Donor (above) Other (See below)

For the gift made no designation requested **in Honor of:** **in Memory of:** **in the Name of:**

I would like my donation included with the container of wheelchairs delivered to:

ANY COUNTRY IN NEED _____

Check enclosed

Credit Card: VISA MasterCard American Express Discover

Name as it appears on card _____

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

Please make checks payable to:

Iowa K of C Wheelchair Fund

Mail contribution(s) to:

**Jerry A. Wells, Community Chm.
856 Division St.
Webster City, IA 50595-2110**

Credit card forms can be mailed to the address above or emailed to clewis@wheelchairfoundation.org.

Questions? Call toll free (877) 378-3839 or e-mail clewis@wheelchairfoundation.org

For more information, to watch videos of wheelchair distributions around the world, or to donate on line, please visit: www.wheelchairfoundation.org

For multiple donations: (attach additional list if necessary)

Please send all Certificates of Thanks to:

Council _____

C/o _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ Zip _____

DONOR:

**(OPTIONAL) GIFT MADE IN THE NAME OF:
MEMORY OF: or HONOR OF:**

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Wheelchair Foundation

It is estimated that over 100 million people worldwide are in need of a wheelchair and cannot afford one. Our goal is to deliver wheelchairs to children, teens and adults that lack mobility due to disease, accident, war or advanced age. These people and their families will have their lives instantly changed, being able to go to school, work, worship, or just outside for the first time in years, or ever. A wheelchair means Hope, Mobility and Freedom.

The Wheelchair Foundation has been gifted a specific amount of funds to combine with each new donation to deliver wheelchairs to developing countries, until these combinable gifted funds have been exhausted.

If a Council or group donates \$21,000, (or \$75 per wheelchair) the Wheelchair Foundation will combine gifted funds with that and deliver a 280-wheelchair container to a **developing** country of your choice, from the list of approved destination countries found on our web site at **www.wheelchairfoundation.org**. A container of 280 wheelchairs costs on average \$42,000 to deliver by a 40-foot sea container to any country of destination, or \$150 per wheelchair. Our combinable gifted funds are not available for **developed** countries, so these destinations require a donation of \$150 per wheelchair.

The Wheelchair Foundation distributes wheelchairs in the country of destination with approved distribution partners, who identify the recipients, and then properly seat them in their new wheelchairs.

Knights are encouraged to participate in a wheelchair distribution and experience the joy of changing a person's life with the gift of a wheelchair!

Sample Press Release

The Iowa Knights of Columbus has recently partnered with the California based Wheelchair Foundation, a non-profit organization founded in 2000 by Kenneth Behring, former owner of the Seattle Seahawks and widely known philanthropist. The foundation raises funds to purchase wheelchairs for persons in developing countries and the U.S. who might never have had a means of mobility without a chair; and with the help of several government and non-government agencies, these wheelchairs are delivered around the globe to the estimated 100 to 150 million persons who have a need, but yet It is estimated that less than 1 % have access to one. For every \$75.00 raised, the foundation will match this amount with another \$75.00, and a wheelchair can now be purchased for \$150.00 and delivered to someone in need . To increase the efficiency of the program, the foundation attempts to ship a sea container of 280 chairs to one general area for distribution.

Council # _____ of

_____, Iowa is now in the process of raising funds for this program and any donations can be directed to the council by calling _____ at Phone # _____, Or by sending your donation to the council at

This is one of the many charitable programs conducted by the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic, charitable, family organization consisting of 1.7 million members around the world, and almost 31,000 men in the state of Iowa.
