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100+ WOMEN WHO CARE DONATES \$11,700 TO AMANDA HOPE RAINBOW ANGELS

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No parent wants to hear the words “your child has cancer” or any serious illness. Unfortunately, it happens more often than we think. Many nonprofits in our community have been started because a family experienced the unthinkable. The subsequent nonprofit is a way for the family or parent(s) to help others who must walk that same path.

Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels is one of our community charities that was founded in 2012 by Lorraine Tallman to

honor her daughter Amanda by addressing the here-and-now needs of pediatric cancer care.

Amanda Hope was a special little girl who at the age of nine was diagnosed with leukemia. The phone call confirming the diagnosis would forever change the lives of Amanda and her family.

Throughout the treatments, Amanda’s spirits never waned. She kept smiling and expressing her concern and caring for the other children in the hospital. Amanda dreamed of a simply designed shirt to keep the children covered and warm during treatments. After her passing, her mother made sure her dream became a reality with the Comfycozy’s for Chemo shirt. Today, over 10,000 warriors have their very own Comfycozy’s for Chemo shirt.

Although Amanda lost her battle with cancer, her legacy has helped thousands of children through the programs offered by Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels. The organization’s mission is to bring dignity and comfort into the harsh world of childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases. Their vision is to provide Comfycozy



Amanda Hope



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In January, Jessie Swygert, Director of Operations for Amanda Hope, shared the mission of the nonprofit with her 100+ Women Who Care Valley of the Sun group in the East Valley. Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels was awarded \$11,700.

“With the incredible support of 100+ Women Who Care, we can continue to support families with a child battling cancer or another life-threatening disease in Arizona. We encouraged the women to choose the program closest to their heart when making their donation. Because of this, each of our programs will be supported,” shared Lorraine Tallman, Founder & CEO.

Since the chapter’s inception in 2015, over \$1,058,550 has been donated to local charities through 100+ Women Who Care Valley of the Sun. To learn more or to register for their upcoming giving circle on April 20, visit 100wwcvalleyofthesun.org. To learn more about Amanda Hope Rainbow Angels, visit amandahope.org.

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