



Providing Resources, Aid & Hope to Premies and Their Families

**Promotion of Volunteer-Based,
501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization
Lily's Hope Foundation**



**Lily's Hope Foundation is a
501(c)(3) non-profit organization
that answers the emergency needs
of families with premature babies.**

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All About Lily's Hope Foundation and Our History

Lily's Hope Foundation is a volunteer based, National non-profit organization answering the emergency needs of families with premature babies through customized emergency response packages for thousands of families across the country. Since receiving our 501(c)(3) designation in 2013, Lily's Hope has achieved many milestones. We have supported over 6,400 families in 49 States, with 18 Partner Hospitals in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and North Carolina, along with 1 National Corporate partner. Outside of referrals from our hospital and corporate partnerships, we also accept referrals via word of mouth and ship our packages across the country. We have published 3 books; a children's book, a NICU resource book, and a sibling activity book.

The mission of the Lily's Hope Foundation is to empower families with unexpected and urgent needs due to premature birth. Lily's Hope accomplishes this by providing resources, aid and hope to families with premature babies through our Preemie Pantry and our Packages of Hope program. We support our NICU families by providing them with essential items since they have been unable to prepare for their child's early arrival. Each "Package of Hope" is customized and assembled with the specific needs of the family in mind. Many families are unprepared for this family medical crisis and the goal of Lily's Hope Foundation is to keep the family stable during this difficult time.

The Lily's Hope Foundation was started in honor of our daughter, Lilian Hope, who was born 7 weeks premature, only 2 lbs. 12 oz. and 15 inches long in July 2007. She was born early because of preeclampsia and a placental abruption; small for 33 weeks gestational age. She almost didn't make it through her first day of life, but thanks to the amazing doctors and nurses at Lehigh Valley Hospital, they saved her life. She was on a ventilator and oscillator for 7 days, had a chest tube, and spent almost 1 month in the NICU. Later she had speech and physical therapies. Lily struggled with gastrointestinal issues, failure to thrive, had surgery and saw specialists at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia at age 5.



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Additionally our son, Aidan Patrick, who was born October 2013, 3 weeks premature at 5 lbs. 2 oz and 18 1/2 inches long. He had gastrointestinal and pulmonary issues like Lily, as well as severe allergies and asthma due to his prematurity, and sees specialists at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia. He also went through early intervention also for physical and speech therapy like Lily. Lily and Aidan had very rough beginnings, but with their strength, wonderful doctors, hope & prayers, they were able to rise above it all. We remain forever grateful to the great doctors and nurses for saving Lily and Aidan, and would like to help other babies now that have, or will share their experiences.

Immediately upon Lily's birth, we felt compelled to give back for what we had been blessed with. Given the surprise and inability to anticipate premature birth, we saw a need to help families like us that didn't have the time or resources to prepare for their child's early arrival. Additionally, premature babies may have special needs such as specific car seats for infants under 5 pounds, special clothing with buttons and Velcro for cords and IV's, and much more. These additional needs can be hard to find and very expensive in a short amount of time. As we reflected on the needs of families who shared experiences like ours, we wanted to establish the Lily's Hope Foundation to provide resources for premature babies and their families.

Enclosed you will find opportunities to understand and promote the incredible work that Lily's Hope Foundation is accomplishing. We appreciate your consideration and support that will help us continue this incredible mission. We are excited to share more with you about this wonderful, all-volunteer non-profit.

**Sincerely,
Jennifer M Driscoll, MBA
Founder and Executive Director of Lily's Hope Foundation**

Statistics for Lily's Hope Foundation

Lily's Hope Foundation has accomplished multiple major milestones over the last 11 years. Please see the chart below detailing our statistics:



Photos from of our Journey of Hope



Lilian Hope, Born 7/25/07
2lbs, 12 oz, 15 Inches



Aidan Patrick, Born 10/7/13
4lbs, 11 oz, 18 Inches



Lily and Aidan volunteering at the Lily's Hope Office over the years



The Driscoll Family, Founders of Lily's Hope Foundation

Testimonials and the Benefits to Partnering with Lily's Hope

Lily's Hope Foundation is a family-focused non-profit that fills in where insurance does not to keep the family stable during the uncertain and unexpected time of having a fragile newborn in the NICU. Our families and case managers have great things to say about the mission and the work we produce.

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-Family LR

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- Family CS

"Always appreciate that you are a great resource for us."

- Case Manager J

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- NICU Nurse K

Testimonials About Lily's Hope Foundation

NICU FAMILY TESTIMONIAL



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“I would like to thank you and your foundation for such a wonderful Hope box. The baby and I are really enjoying Lily's Hope and most of all the baby has fallen in love with Hope the hippo.”

Thank you for all that you do for the premies and families.”

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“All of the items are so thoughtful and meaningful for parents of babies coming home from the NICU. We really appreciate all the thought that went into these donations and are feeling truly blessed. They will really help the transition home for our twins!”

NICU NURSE TESTIMONIAL



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CASE MANAGER TESTIMONIAL



“I just want to take a moment to tell you how much we appreciate and everything that you and your staff have done for our families. Your impact has been incredible and you are touching lives every day. Thank you so much!”