

Extraordinary People... Experiencing Ordinary Miracles.

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

Thank you! Through your continued, generous financial and in-kind support this past year you have allowed us to continue to serve extraordinary people in our community and to experience the ordinary, everyday miracles of our clients – clients like Elise, Ed, Eva, Joseph and Sonny – for whom the results have been life changing. We are writing you today to ask that you give to the Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation this year in celebration of our 50 years of community service and to pave the way for our next 50 years.

The support from our Friends of the Foundation over the years has allowed us to keep a focus on the diagnosis and intensive treatment of disabilities that affect one's ability to communicate, to keep a keen eye on the changing needs of our community, and then adjust our programs and services when necessary to meet those needs. It is our strong commitment to extend our service reach in response to our community's needs. Our service reach has grown to now also include developmental health – especially for children with issues affecting their ability to relate effectively with their family and the environment - such as those affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). Today, BRSHF offers the only program of its kind for children affected by autism.

Our service reach also grew this last year to include a cochlear implant maintenance clinic at our main office. Until we opened this clinic, the closest such services were located in New Orleans. This program now allows patients with cochlear implants to receive services such as routine checks and reprogramming of their speech processors closer to home.

These are but two examples of the innovative actions we are taking to make sure that we are continually growing and adjusting our services to meet the needs of the community we all call home.

Next year marks Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation's 50th year in the Baton Rouge community. In order to ensure that we remain innovative in our service offerings and responsive to community needs, we began strategically planning this year for our next 50 years with the development of a five-year strategic plan. This strategic plan will help our organization remain focused on the changing needs of the community, as well as assist in prioritizing our decisions and subsequent actions.

We are doing our part here to pave the way for another 50 years of extraordinary miracles. Won't you join us by making a donation today? With your continued financial support, we can continue to make great strides in all the services we offer, continue to meet the growing needs of our community, and for clients like Elise, Ed, Eva, Joseph and Sonny we can experience a few ordinary miracles along the way.

In grateful service to the extraordinary people that call Baton Rouge home,

Melissa Mulkey

Melissa Mulkey
President
2008/2009 BRSHF Board of Directors

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Executive Director
Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation



Serving Extraordinary People ...



We have been more than pleased with the care that Elise has received while here at BRSHF. It is obvious that the needs of the children you serve come first. Thank you for the wonderful work you do for the kids who need it so much.

~ The Poché Family



As we have reached our “golden years,” we appreciate the support we have been given by the BRSHF. Caring and highly-trained professional personnel have always helped us with our hearing problems. Thanks to all the people at BRSHF. You make us feel so welcome.

~ Ed and Eva Glaze



Thank you so much for all you have done for Joseph. I am not sure you can realize how much it has meant to our whole family. It is so nice to get to meet the boy that was inside of him all along. You have helped unlock him. Thanks for always keeping an eye out for Joseph.

~ Danielle and Chris



“We have one opening left,” said the voice on the other end of the receiver. “Yes! God is so good!” I thought. I was elated when BRSHF’s director, Melissa Juneau, told us that they had an opening for Sonny. BRSHF has been a blessing to our family and I can honestly say that it has saved Sonny’s life. Before BRSHF, my son would take off running when our front door opened and would not stop and respond to his name. As you can imagine, this sent my anxiety level to 10. Now, just 9 months later, he waits for me and responds to his name. Thank you so much BRSHF! You are a special group of people who do God’s work with a smile.

~ Salema Burton, Sonny’s Mom



... Who Are Experiencing Ordinary Miracles

Please Join BRSHF In Serving the Extraordinary People of the Baton Rouge Community Through Your Gift to the Foundation!

- Your Gift of \$50 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of group language therapy for a preschool child diagnosed with language delay.
- Your Gift of \$100 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of a comprehensive development assessment for a baby born prematurely.
- Your Gift of \$500 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of specialized speech therapy for a child diagnosed with Autism for one month.
- Your Gift of \$1,000 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of participation in BRSHF's Autism program for one month for an underprivileged child.
- Your Gift of \$3,000 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of underwriting the cost of a set of hearing aids for one uninsured elderly person.
- Your Gift of \$5,000 provides the **Ordinary Miracle** of ABA program tuition for one underprivileged child diagnosed with autism.

Yes! I want to help the BRSHF continue Serving Extraordinary People!

- I would like to contribute \$_____ per quarter (4 equal installments).
- I would like to contribute \$_____ per year for _____ years.
- Please accept my one time gift in the amount of \$_____.
- My employer will match my gift. Please contact me about employer matching.

Choose the Giving Method That Is Most Convenient For You

- Enclosed is my check made payable to Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation.
- Please charge my gift to: Mastercard Visa

CC Number/Exp. Date

Signature

- Save a stamp! Give online at www.brshf.org.

I would like to contribute in other ways. Please contact me.

- Making a "Wish List" donation that provides vital supplies necessary for the instruction of our children clients at BRSHF (more information at www.brshf.org).
- Planned giving opportunities at BRSHF.

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Thank you for supporting the
Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Foundation!

