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### **BROOKE'S PLACE RECEIVES IU HEALTH SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM FUND GRANT**

**INDIANAPOLIS, IN, April 27, 2021** – Brooke's Place for Grieving Young People announced a \$2,972 grant from the IU Health Summer Youth Program Fund to support Camp Healing Tree.

“We are grateful for the IU Health Summer Youth Program Fund’s investment in Camp Healing Tree, which will help us support grieving youth ages 7-17 to be with friends their age who have also experienced the death of someone close to them,” said Theresa Brun, Executive Director. This partnership enables the youth in our community to know that they are not alone in their grief.”

Established in 1995 by a team of devoted volunteers and community supporters, Camp Healing Tree became a program of Brooke's Place in 2018. Camp Healing Tree offers fun camp activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, campfires and outdoor adventures along with opportunities to share one's grief in a variety of expressive activities.

The Summer Youth Program Fund (SYPF) supports summer programs serving Marion County youth. This funding collaborative makes the grant process easier for charitable organizations by using a single application form. It provides grants, coordinates professional development opportunities, and distributes community information.

#### **About Summer Youth Program Fund**

Since 1995, Summer Youth Program Fund has awarded over \$50 million in grants to summer programs. SYPF has evolved from providing mainly emergency assistance to also support quality, consistent enhancement for residential and youth employment programs.

#### **About Brooke's Place**

Established in 1999, Brooke's Place provides ongoing grief support groups, therapy services, and community education to empower children, teens, young adults and their families to thrive in the midst of grief. For the last 21 years, Brooke's Place has served more than 16,000 individuals. With an estimated 73,000 children expected to experience the death of a loved one in Central Indiana before the age of 20, there will always be an ongoing need in our community for the programs provided at Brooke's Place. To learn more, please visit [www.brookesplace.org](http://www.brookesplace.org).

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