Announcing the Ava Gable Memorial \$25,000 Matching Grant

Provided by The Carolyn Gable Foundation

As we look forward to 2025 and our goals for the New Year, we cannot think of a better way to start the year than with a matching grant opportunity. The Time Is Now To Help and The Carolyn Gable Foundation are humbled to announce a \$25,000 matching grant donation in loving memory of Ava Rose, Carolyn's cherished daughter. Ava Rose's spirit of kindness and light continues to shine and will be felt by all who are touched by this matching grant. Every dollar donated will be matched, providing \$50,000 to support programs that bring hope and healing throughout our communities removing the pains of poverty for our Fellow Creations. This initiative honors Ava's enduring presence and the profound impact of her legacy. Together, we can carry her light forward and make a meaningful difference. Thank you to The Carolyn Gable Foundation for providing the Ava Gable Memorial \$25,000 Matching Grant.

This holiday season and the final weeks of 2024 have found us providing the most basic need of running water to several people living without. It is hard to imagine that in this day and age an 88-year-old widow would be hauling gallons of water to her home for the past five years. Think for a moment about how difficult it would be to live without water for a week, much less than five years. She has not been able to wash dishes properly, shower, flush toilets, do laundry at home, all due to a contractor that took her savings and never completed the necessary repairs on her home and well. While the contractor is serving his time for what he has done, that does nothing to help this elderly woman.

When I spoke to the woman I learned more about her struggles. She lived with her only child that had many health problems and is disabled. Together they just got by each month. Within days we had a well contractor out to evaluate her well and this week will be restoring running water to her home. We are continuing to work with this elderly woman to make sure they no longer live a life of struggle and suffering.

The same week brought a second family living without water to our attention. For this disabled senior man and his wife, several weeks without water was enough to cause great distress. Again, within days we had their well repaired and their running water restored. Thank you to the well contractor for his quick response to our call and their compassion for the suffering they observed. We also thank all of you for your generosity that allowed us to restore running water to these two very deserving households.

A single mother with three children wrote a letter to us requesting a repair for her car so she could return to work. She and her children were struggling to obtain food and were behind in their rent. After reviewing her car, it was found to have over 200,000 miles and was beyond

repair. We purchased her a used car to provide the reliable transportation she needed. This car will allow this single mother and her children to successfully pay their bills and have enough funds for food and other daily necessities.

We thank you for your support throughout the year and especially now as we begin the Ava Gable Memorial \$25,000 Matching Grant. Every dollar will be matched, doubling your donation. We wish you a very Happy and Blessed New Year!

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Memorials: James and Pat Herda in memory of the Lux Family. John Hoffman in memory of Daniel J. Hoffman.

Prayer Chain: The power of prayer and positive thoughts comes from the true healer, our Lord answering our prayers. Please pray for healing for the following people: Brian, Mike, Sylvia, Megan, Kayla, Maria C., Judy, Scott, Annie, Marilyn, Brandon, Helen, Dennis, Mary, Joseph, Jordan, Jean, Tom L., Dr. Peter, Matthew, Pam E., Jenene B., John S., Patricia H., Wendy, Eric, Anthony, Mary, Charlie, Tom P., Christina, Billy, Mike, Cheryl, Bryan E., Betty, Ellie, Concetta, Cheryl, Kirubel M., and Wanda L.

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