The Pat Summitt Foundation to Grant $250,000 in New Funding Across Tennessee

By the end of 2018, the Pat Summitt Foundation will have awarded over $2.25 million in grants since its inception. The Foundation grants $500,000 annually in support of the Pat Summitt Clinic at the University of Tennessee Medical Center, and it has granted over $150,000 over the years to additional Alzheimer’s nonprofits locally and nationally. The Foundation recently announced that it will achieve another historic milestone in 2019, awarding new grant funding of $250,000 to the most qualified Alzheimer’s nonprofits across the state of Tennessee.

The Pat Summitt Foundation will award a total of over $750,000 to the Pat Summitt Clinic and other Alzheimer’s nonprofits in 2019, by far the most it has ever granted in one year.

“Pat Summitt challenged us to make a significant and immediate impact in Alzheimer’s patient care, caregiver support, and medical research. We are making excellent progress toward that goal through the work of the Pat Summitt Clinic at the University of Tennessee Medical Center and through grants we have made to other Alzheimer’s nonprofits. Awarding $250,000 in new funding next year will enable us to continue expanding our reach and help even more patients and caregivers across Pat’s home state of Tennessee. On behalf of the Pat Summitt Foundation, I would like to thank our generous donors for helping us advance Pat’s legacy in the fight against Alzheimer’s disease.” – James A. Haslam II, Chairman of The Pat Summitt Foundation Advisory Board.

Peyton Manning, Governor and First Lady Haslam Raise More than $550,000 in Nashville

Governor Bill Haslam and First Lady Crissy Haslam partnered with five-time NFL MVP and Pat Summitt Foundation Co-Chair Peyton Manning to raise awareness and funds for the Pat Summitt Foundation. Two private, ticketed events held in September in Nashville together raised $550,000 to benefit PSF.

The first event was a luncheon hosted by Wellspire, a state-of-the-art learning center and event space in Nashville. Wellspire hosted 200 guests for an intimate discussion with Peyton and his father, Archie Manning, moderated by Mike Keith, senior director of broadcasting for the Tennessee Titans.

The evening’s event, hosted by Governor and First Lady Haslam at the Tennessee Executive Residence, included a performance by country music artist Luke Bryan. The Brett Boyer Foundation, a cause close to Bryan’s heart, also benefited from the affair. Peyton Manning presented a $10,000 check to the Brett Boyer Foundation as a surprise from the Pat Summitt Foundation in appreciation of Bryan’s contributions to the event.

2018 Salute for a Cure

The annual Salute for a Cure event was held in April in Knoxville, TN at The Press Room. Over 380 guests attended and enjoyed a dinner, live auction, and performance by Chris Blue, the 2017 winner of NBC’s hit show The Voice. Before Blue’s performance, a program included updates about the Foundation as well as remarks by Coach Summitt’s son and Pat Summitt Foundation Co-Founder, Tyler Summitt. “Salute for a Cure is an event that no one should miss, and I look forward to attending it again in 2019. It is great to see the community come together to raise awareness and funds to continue my mother’s fight,” said Summitt.

The event, organized by event chair Louise Frazier and her wonderful committee, raised $70,000 for the Foundation.
The Pat Summitt Clinic, created through a partnership between the Pat Summitt Foundation and the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville, TN, has been open for just under two years and has made tremendous progress in a short amount of time. The state-of-the-art clinic improves access to healthcare services for patients and families facing Alzheimer's disease and other dementias in a facility created to advance research, detection, treatment, and family caregiver support.

The team of health care professionals, led by medical director Dr. Roberto Fernandez, consists of a board-certified neurologist, two clinical neuropsychologists, a speech language pathologist, a registered nurse care coordinator, and two social workers. Having a comprehensive health care team enables Alzheimer's patients and families to obtain all or most of the care they need in one location. The clinic staff provides unique, coordinated care plans for patients and families as a proactive approach to their customized treatment plan.

The patient demand in the region is overwhelming, as it is throughout the country, representing over 3,500 patients in the East Tennessee region needing care for Alzheimer's disease and other related dementias. One of Dr. Fernandez's first priorities was to reduce the amount of time a patient had to wait before a first appointment, and substantial progress has been achieved. The wait time has already been reduced by 75% (from 12+ months to 3 months).

The research program of the Pat Summitt Clinic continues to grow, offering unprecedented access to clinical trials with additional trials forthcoming. Finally, the profile of both the Pat Summitt Foundation and the Pat Summitt Clinic continues to expand as Dr. Fernandez participates in national and international conferences.

The Pat Summitt Foundation grants $500,000 annually to help fund the operations of the Pat Summitt Clinic at the University of Tennessee Medical Center.
**Food City 100th Anniversary Charity Challenge**

In celebration of their 100th Anniversary, Food City donated more than $100,000 to charitable organizations throughout their market area through the 100th Anniversary Charity Challenge. Participating local charities were selected from each of their four market areas and the public voted online for their favorite charity. The charity that received the most votes in each market area received $12,500. Thanks to your support, the Pat Summitt Foundation won 1st place in the Knoxville market and received $12,500!

**Rivalry Renewed**

The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame recently announced the renewal of the historic series between the UConn Huskies and the Tennessee Lady Vols, starting in the 2019-20 season. Widely regarded as the two most successful women’s programs in the country, UConn and Tennessee account for 19 National Championships, dozens of impact players in the WNBA, and many of the sport’s all-time greats.

As part of the two-year series, UConn will host Tennessee during the 2019-20 season, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the Pat Summit Foundation and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In the 2020-21 season, the Lady Vols will host the Huskies in Knoxville, with a portion of the proceeds again benefiting the Pat Summit Foundation and the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, as well as the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame. The games will be televised and supported worldwide by the ESPN family of networks.

**SEC Win Challenge**

The 2018-2019 SEC women’s basketball season will mark the seventh season of the SEC Win Challenge. University of Kentucky women’s basketball associate head coach and Lady Vol alumna, Kyra Elzy started this fundraiser along with her husband Dexter, and they lead the initiative annually. Fans of all SEC teams may sign up to participate at patsummitt.org/challenge. $120,000 has been raised over six seasons in support of PSF’s fight against Alzheimer’s disease.

**We Back Pat**

2019 will mark the eighth consecutive year the SEC and its 14 member institutions have organized a We Back Pat week. At every SEC women’s basketball game from January 21-27, 2019, a variety of efforts will increase awareness of the Foundation and its mission. The Lady Vols will host two We Back Pat games this season: January 21st (vs. Arkansas) and January 24th (vs. Notre Dame).

**2018 PSF Event Highlights**

- Memphis Pat Summit Invitational at Spring Creek Ranch
- Taste of Turkey Creek at The Pinnacle of Turkey Creek in Knoxville, TN
- Race for the Summit 4-Miler in Knoxville, TN
- Alzheimer’s Pansy Project with Stanley’s Greenhouse and Franklin & Kyle Elder Law in Knoxville, TN
- Nashville Alzheimer’s Golf Classic at The Governor’s Club
- Atlanta Pat Summit Invitational at Pinetree Country Club
- Knoxville Pat Summit Invitational at WindRiver Golf Club
- Swinging “Fore” a Cause golf tournament with the Kingsport Community Foundation at The Virginian in Bristol, VA
- Girls Basketball Association Tennessee Legend Classic basketball camps in Columbus, OH and Sevierville, TN

PSF awarded a $15,000 grant to support Alzheimer’s initiatives at Baptist Memorial Health Care at the Memphis Pat Summit Invitational.

The Tennessean Hotel in Knoxville, designed a Pat Summit Suite and donates a portion of sales proceeds annually to PSF.

Members of the Lady Vols basketball team and Coach Holly Warlick at the Race for the Summit
East Tennessee Foundation Legacy Society

The East Tennessee Foundation (ETF) Legacy Society enables ETF to recognize donors who have made a long-term commitment to furthering philanthropy in our region through a “Legacy Gift” to a fund of ETF. The Pat Summitt Foundation is a qualifying fund.

Anyone who has established or completed a Legacy Gift to one of ETF’s funds is eligible for membership. A Legacy Gift is any of the following: real estate gifts, private business interest gifts, charitable trust gifts, and testamentary gifts through wills, trusts, or beneficiary designations.

The Legacy Society includes two membership levels: Mountains: for individuals, past and present, from whom an ETF fund has already received a completed Legacy Gift; and Rivers: for individuals who have informed ETF that they have created a planned Legacy Gift to be received in the future to benefit an ETF fund. River members will eventually transform into Mountain members when their planned Legacy Gifts are received.

All ETF Legacy Society donors will receive designated benefits and recognition. Eligible donors who prefer not to be recognized may opt out entirely or be included anonymously. Visit easttennesseefoundation.org to obtain your ETF Legacy Society membership today!

SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION

Visit www.patsummitt.org to donate, learn about Foundation fundraisers, and purchase merchandise. You may also mail a donation to the mailing address below. As a fund of East Tennessee Foundation, the Pat Summitt Foundation can accept any asset of value. To learn about giving options, including planned giving options, please contact Patrick Wade (see below). Foundation staff will gladly notify families of memorial/tribute gifts, provided the donor includes the name and address of whom to notify.

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East Tennessee Foundation (ETF) is a 501(c)3 public charity and community foundation created by and for the people of East Tennessee, where many donors join together to make the region they love a better place, today and for future generations. ETF, like other community foundations, operates as a collection of hundreds of distinct charitable funds and supporting foundations established by individuals, families, businesses, and other nonprofits. Through our work a wide variety of philanthropic objectives are achieved.

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Pat Summitt Foundation License Plates Now Available

In March 2018, PSF reached its goal of 1,000 specialty license plate pre-orders, making the PSF license plate a reality! Almost 2,000 plates have been purchased to date, raising over $28,000 for the Foundation. Purchase your plate today at your Tennessee County Clerk Office. PSF can no longer take orders for the license plates.

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Purchase Pat Summitt Foundation merchandise at patsummitt.org/shop. A portion of all proceeds benefits the Foundation.

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