

“Every child deserves the great gift of hearing.”

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Lifetime cost to the public for a child with untreated hearing loss is approximately **\$1 million**



Mission

To minimize the impact of childhood hearing loss through early identification, multidisciplinary intervention and family-centered care.

Vision

To be a world leader in the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric hearing loss through the provision of state-of-the-art clinical care and cutting-edge research.

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Providing the Gift of Sound



Hearing loss is one of the most common birth defects in the U.S.

The Children's Hearing Program is a unique resource for the more than 12,000 babies born with hearing loss each year in the U.S.

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Imagine being told your beautiful new baby has already 'failed' something before even leaving the hospital – the newborn hearing screening. Families struggle with the emotional impact of learning their child has hearing loss and the potential lifelong implications. Finding a reliable source of information, treatment and guidance can be confusing and overwhelming.

The Children's Hearing Program at UHealth is a unique resource for children born with hearing loss each year. This family-centered program, part of the **UHealth Ear Institute**, offers comprehensive services for children from birth to 18 years of age.

Early Detection & Intervention

One of the primary goals of the **Children's Hearing Program** is early hearing detection and intervention. Because the critical period for language learning is from birth to age 3, early diagnosis of hearing loss is crucial. Without appropriate opportunities to learn language, children with hearing loss fall behind in language, cognition and social-emotional development.

Through the **Children's Hearing Program**, a multidisciplinary team, including ear, nose and throat (ENT) physicians, audiologists, speech language pathologists, educators and other health care professionals, work together to address the distinct needs of children. They provide services ranging from hearing evaluations, speech therapy, education, research, family support and community outreach.

Among the many services provided, the **Children's Hearing Program** includes the Oliver's Hearing Aid Bank (OHAB). OHAB provides children with loaner hearing aids, bone-anchored devices, and other assistive listening devices so that no child is without sound for an extended period of time. Consistency of sound is crucial in order to ensure that children with hearing loss do not fall behind. Generous individuals and companies donate hearing devices to OHAB. These selfless donors understand the importance of ensuring all children have access to sound, so they can reach their full potential.

92% of children with permanent hearing loss are born to hearing parents

You Can Help!

Please consider providing the gift of sound to a child.

The **Children's Hearing Program** is one of the few comprehensive programs for children with hearing loss in the United States. Private philanthropy is especially important to ensure children and their families have access to quality and timely care.

To learn how you can support this important work and become involved with the program, please contact our Development Office.

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Yes! I/we would like to provide the gift of sound by making a pledge to the Children's Hearing Program in the amount of \$_____.

Please make check payable to **University of Miami**, noting **Children's Hearing Program** in the memo line.

Amount enclosed is \$_____. My pledge balance will be paid in monthly quarterly semi-annual annual installments of \$_____ beginning _____.

Method of payment

- Please bill me in accordance with the schedule above.
 Please charge my credit card in accordance with the schedule above.
 Visa Master Card American Express Discover

NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CARD _____ Personal or Corporate Card

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____ Expiration Date (mo/yr)

SIGNATURE _____ (mo/date/yr)

Name(s) _____ As you would like it to appear in donor recognition

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My employer has a matching gift program.

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In addition to my pledge, I wish to inform the University that:

- The **Children's Hearing Program** is in my will.
- I am considering including the **Children's Hearing Program** in my will.

I would like to learn more about:

- Gifts that provide me income.
- Gifts that provide income to the **Children's Hearing Program** and pass assets to children or friends while significantly reducing my gift and estate taxes.

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