



The Umbrella Club was established over 30 years ago as a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to providing compassion, support and financial assistance to families and children in the community where our help can make a difference. Since its formation, the Club has donated over \$2,000,000 to families and children who would have otherwise slipped through the net of governmental and societal agencies which, for various reasons, were unable to provide necessary assistance.

The Umbrella Club's activities are purposely low profile. The members respect human dignity and understand that a quiet helping hand can make all the difference in the world. Each member in the Umbrella Club, which is limited to 50 individuals, freely donates their time, energy and expertise. There is no payroll. Outside of operating expenses, all the monies raised are given to our recipients, and those bequests average 98% of donated funds.

To support these efforts, we hold three yearly events: A Spring Golf Outing, a Fall Dinner Dance and a Winter Car Raffle.

In 2011, these events raised over \$100,000 which was distributed to individual recipients and the Yale-New Haven Hospital Pediatric Eye Center, in completion of a \$250,000 endowment.

In 2012, we hope to exceed those results despite the anemic economic conditions. To this end we have committed to intensified participation on each member's part in all aspects of the Club's activities and are asking long-time friends of the Club to similarly increase their support of our endeavors. We are also seeking to expand these efforts to include more donors, individual and corporate, who share our goals and vision.

Thank you for your interest in the Umbrella Club.