



The mission of **Kelly's Dream**, a non-profit 501(c)(3) foundation is to help ease the financial and emotional strain of cancer, raise awareness of the risks associated with melanoma; and spread the gift of hope.

Individuals battling cancer face many difficulties. Their vigorous treatments and surgeries can leave them weak, tired and hopeless. At Kelly's Dream we choose to focus on the 'human' side of cancer. Dealing with this disease is emotionally draining not only for the patient, but also for the family. The uncertainty of the whole process can cause stress, but on top of that, cancer treatment can cause extreme financial burden.

Funds raised by Kelly's Dream allow us to offer limited financial assistance to patients for practical living expenses that have suddenly become too difficult to pay when an individual is undergoing treatment for cancer. We offer assistance up to \$300 per year for non-medical expenses such as the cost of transportation to and from treatment, food, child care, utilities and other daily living expenses. Families may be provided with gift cards, have expenses paid directly to the service provider or helped through one of our local partners such as Movable Feast.

Applications are considered on a case-by-case basis, and determined on a number of factors including but not limited to:

- have a diagnosis of cancer as confirmed by an oncology health care provider
- currently in active treatment for melanoma or other cancers
- live in Maryland
- have an immediate financial need that is interfering with treatment plan

Steps for Applying

1. Submit a completed **Application for Assistance**. Please:

- **Print clearly**—illegible applications cannot be processed
- **Fill in each blank space** in the application. Use "no", "none", or "0" as appropriate
- Have a **medical oncology health care provider** complete the Medical Certification Form and provide a signature and date. You cannot complete this section
- Obtain bills or receipts to support this request
- Obtain documentation showing a reduction of income —such as pay stubs or notice from employer -or -a copy of your approval into the Critical Medical Needs Program (CMNP)
- Submit the Application for Assistance, Medical Information form along with documentation (receipts, bills and pay stubs) to Kelly's Dream, PO Box 36, Perry Hall, MD or email it to kelly@kellysdream.org (Please sign the bottom of each page being submitted.)

2. Applications are reviewed as soon as administratively possible and all individuals receive an email or letter notifying them of the outcome. If additional information is needed an associate or partner of Kelly's Dream will contact you.

Approval for assistance is based on the sole discretion of Kelly's Dream.



APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ County: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Diagnosis: _____ Cancer Treatment Center: _____

Physician: _____ Phone: _____

A. Please tell us a little about your situation.

B. Please tell us about the assistance you need, including the cost for this service.

C. What other resources / organizations have you contacted for assistance?

D. How did you hear about Kelly's Dream?

Web Search / Facebook Presentation or Fundraiser Friend or Family

E. Demographic information: Kelly's Dream collects demographical information about the individuals it supports (a) to let donors know how their gifts are used and (b) to meet any reporting that may be required for funding. Information is used in summary and NO personal information except for county or zip code will be released. This section is optional.

Marital Status: Single Married Widowed

Age: Under 30 30-45 46-55 Over 55

Race: Black / African American White Hispanic Other

I certify that all answers provided in this application are true, accurate and complete. I have not withheld any fact or circumstance – which could, if disclosed affect my application unfavorably. I understand that by signing this document, I understand additional information may be required to confirm my eligibility for assistance. I further allow Kelly's Dream to confirm the information as needed for the purpose of providing assistance.



Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit your application and supporting documentation to:

**Kelly's Dream, PO Box 36, Perry Hall, MD 21128
or Email it to kelly@kellysdream.org**

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ACTION	YES	NO	DATE COMPLETED	BY
Application received				
Application reviewed by the committee				
Additional information requested				
Approved				
Denied				
Applicant notified				

Action taken by the board



MEDICAL CERTIFICATION FORM

Patient Name: _____

The individual shown above has requested assistance from Kelly's Dream, a non-profit 501(c)(3) foundation whose mission is to help ease the financial and emotional strain of cancer, raise awareness of the risks associated with melanoma; and spread the gift of hope.

To be eligible, the individual must live in Maryland and:

- have a diagnosis of cancer as confirmed by an oncology health care provider
- currently in active treatment for melanoma or other cancers

As part of the application process, Kelly's Dream is requesting that a Physician or Healthcare Provider confirm the cancer diagnosis by completing this form.

I hereby certify that _____ (patient name) is currently under my care.

Physician or Healthcare Provider's Name _____

Current Diagnosis:

Is the patient currently in active treatment: Yes No

Cancer Treatment Center:

Physician's Phone:

Email:

Office Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Physician Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
