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CEDAR VALLEY HOSPICE "Cedar Valley Hospice Endowment Fund"



Cedar Valley Hospice provides physical, emotional, spiritual, and social support to terminally ill patients and their families and is a leader in end-life care throughout a seven county region in Northeast Iowa. The Cedar Valley Hospice teams are composed of doctors, nurses, social workers, home health aides, grief counselors, chaplains, and volunteers to keep pain under control and give support to all ages of grievers.

Cedar Valley Hospice feels it has a responsibility to the community to provide education on death, dying, and grief to individuals, groups, and organizations. Hospice's professional staff provides presentations and workshops on a various grief-related issues. Visits to businesses, schools, or other locations are available following the death of a co-worker, student, teacher, etc.

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CASS (the Cedar Aids Support Team) provides support, substance abuse outreach, and "face-to-face" education to the community. By working with schools, healthcare providers, and community organizations, CASS provides support, education, and assistance to people infected and affected with HIV/AIDS and related issues.

The Eucalyptus Tree program of Cedar Valley Hospice works with children (and their families) to answer questions as well as to involve them in the grieving and healing process. Healthy life transitions are made when children are free to ask questions, talk about their feelings, and sometimes even helps with decisions, during the time the family is involved with the task of saying good-bye.

Cedar Valley Hospice has established an Endowment Fund with the Community Foundation of Waterloo/Cedar Falls and Northeast Iowa to aid in providing support to allow the organization's physical, emotional, spiritual and social support to touch the lives of terminally ill patients and their families forever.

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