

# Give the Gift of Hope

## A Story of Hope: Sonia's Hope Hollow Journey

*"...8 years later, I am cancer free"*



*Sonia, pictured at left during cancer treatment; and at right, healthy and thriving!*

"Hearing the news that you have cancer is devastating. Adding the fact that your type of cancer is incurable with an aggressive sub type is profoundly so. I received this news at the age of 39 just weeks after losing my dear mother to ovarian cancer. I thought my dealings with cancer were in the past, but fate had different plans for me.

With three young children and an ardent refusal to cave to cancer (and perhaps a dose of denial), I dove deep into research and tried to find just one patient who had beat their Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia. While I never found that patient, I did find that there were two groundbreaking clinical trials of new drugs being tested for patients like me. One was in Germany and the other in Columbus, Ohio, at the Ohio State James Cancer Hospital. The only issue was that I live 7 hours away in Maryland. Enter Jane and Kevin of Hope Hollow and the beginning of my journey to wellness in Columbus.

Kevin and Jane didn't hesitate a second when asked by the hospital social worker if they could help a complete stranger cover lodging for the next 16 months of treatment. In an instant I knew I could take on this one opportunity to save my life. Also in an instant, I had found two friends who became more like family – the loving and supportive kind of family that many can only dream of. They not only provided hotels rooms for me but checked on me, talked with me about my emotional and physical health, prayed for me, and simply loved me. Their compassion and empathy are boundless and truly beautiful!

Today, some 8 years later, I am cancer free, my children still have their mom and I'm working full time helping cancer patients, inspired by Jane and Kevin."

*With my gratitude,  
Sonia*

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*Hope Hollow's mission is to offer welcome, hospitality and hope by providing lodging, meals, transportation and emotional support...at no cost...to cancer patients and their loved ones, who are financially in need, while receiving cancer treatment in Columbus, Ohio.*

## No gift is too small!

<b>Any gift Amount</b>	Your donation of any amount comes from the heart for which we are truly grateful. When you give to Hope Hollow, 100% of your gift supports persons with cancer. No matter the amount, your gift will make a difference!
<b>\$500</b>	Provides multiple Lyft rides for persons with cancer, who live locally, to travel to access their needed care and cancer treatment.
<b>\$1,000</b>	Buys approximately 10 nights of lodging for cancer patients and their loved ones who are in financial need while receiving medical treatment in Columbus, Ohio.
<b>\$2,500</b>	Pays for nutritious meals for more than 50 families who are financially in need while their loved one receives cancer treatment, as well as providing food, groceries and nutritional supplements for the cancer patients Hope Hollow serves.
<b>\$5,000</b>	Fills up more than 60 tanks with gasoline that fuel cancer patients' trips to and from life-saving treatments.
<b>\$10,000</b>	Buys approximately 100 nights of lodging for cancer patients and their loved ones who are in financial need while receiving medical treatment in Columbus, Ohio.
<b>\$15,000</b>	Provides approximately 150 nights of lodging for cancer patients and their families who are financially in need while seeking treatment for their cancer.
<b>\$25,000</b>	A donation which designates you as a philanthropic leader in providing long-term stays for cancer patients undergoing clinical trials, bone marrow transplants, stem cell transplants, and extended chemotherapy and radiation treatments.



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