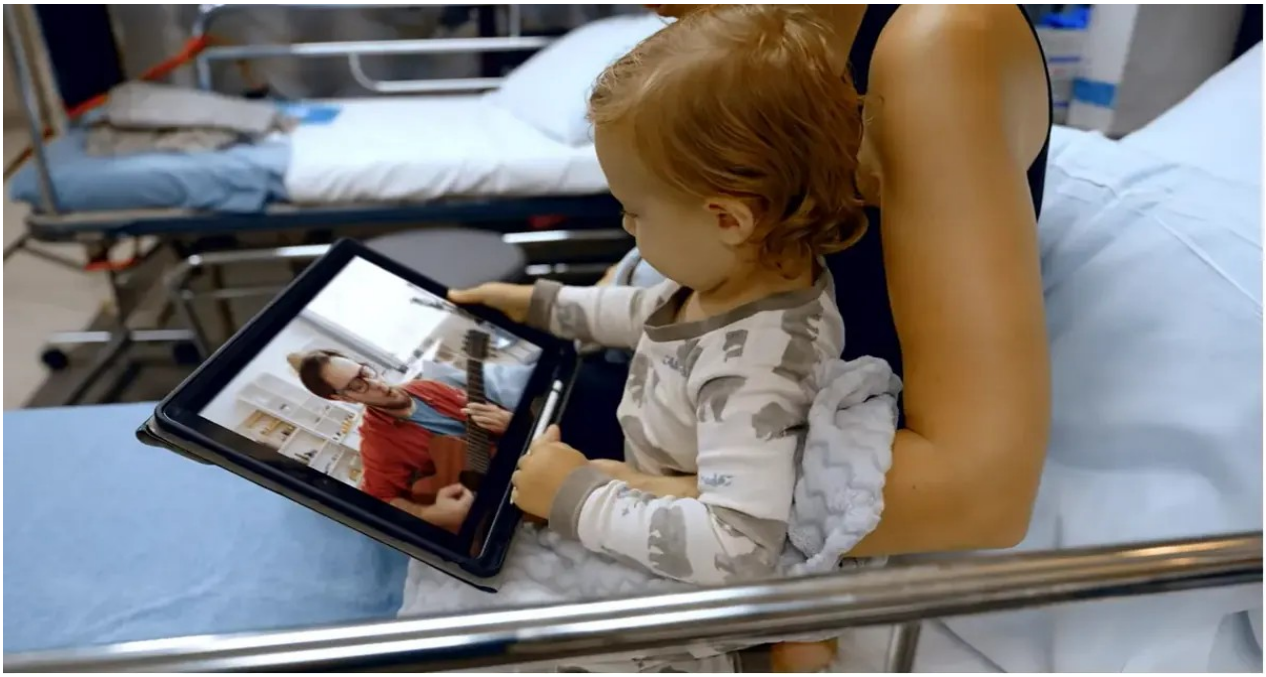


Harmony & Healing Launches New Music Programs for Hospice Patients at Martinez VA Hospital

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Harmony & Healing, a non-profit focused on bringing the healing power of music to those in need, is expanding its reach. Today, the group announced new programs designed to help hospice patients. This includes in-person music visits at local hospitals, starting with the Martinez VA Hospital in Martinez, California.

Founded with the aim of using music as therapy, Harmony & Healing works with various healthcare facilities to bring comfort and emotional support to patients. These visits are tailored to meet the unique needs of people facing serious illnesses, offering a compassionate break through music.

"Our mission is to positively impact the lives of those going through tough times," said David Victor of Harmony & Healing. "We're excited to extend our services to more hospitals, where the healing power of music can make a real difference. Music has this unique way of reaching people, touching their hearts, and giving them comfort."

Besides the new in-person visits, Harmony & Healing also offers virtual music sessions via Zoom. These online sessions have been particularly helpful, especially given the recent global health challenges. Participants can enjoy live music from the comfort of their homes, allowing for flexibility and accessibility that in-person settings may not always provide.

Harmony & Healing aims to make its programs as inclusive as possible, catering to both adults and children. The organization works with facilities like George Mark Children's House Pediatric Hospice and Anchor Healthcare Hospice. This approach ensures that people of all ages can benefit from music therapy, lifting spirits and creating joyful moments even during tough journeys.

"We believe that music can change how patients experience medical treatment," said Victor. "Whether in a hospital setting or through virtual sessions, our goal is to provide an emotional escape, even just for a little while. The smiles, tears, and heartfelt responses we see make every effort worthwhile."

The organization relies on generous community support to sustain its work. Donations are crucial in allowing the expansion of services to reach more patients. Those interested in contributing can visit https://www.harmonyandhealing.org/best-bay-area-charities-to-donate-to/ to support Harmony & Healing's mission.

Harmony & Healing also stresses the importance of trained musicians caring about patient well-being. The program's musicians undergo specific training to ensure they can provide not just musical talent but also emotional support and understanding. This dedication is key to creating meaningful connections with patients.

As Harmony & Healing continues its work, it remains committed to constantly improving and extending its reach. Plans are underway to partner with more healthcare facilities and explore new ways to deliver music therapy. The organization aims to become a staple in the hospice care community, providing a service that truly makes a difference.

For more information on Harmony & Healing's initiatives or to get involved, visit https://www.harmonyandhealing.org/healing-music-for-hospice/. The website provides detailed insights into current programs, volunteer opportunities, and ways to donate.

Harmony & Healing's collaboration with institutions like George Mark Children's House Pediatric Hospice shows its dedication to serving a diverse population. Each partnership underlines the group's commitment to making music therapy accessible and effective for various patient groups. Details on this partnership are available at https://www.harmonyandhealing.org/george-mark-childrens-house-pediatric-hospice/.

To sum up, Harmony & Healing is making big strides in its mission to provide therapeutic music to those in need. With new programs, in-person visits, and strong community support, the organization is in a great position to touch more lives. The expansion of services underscores the deep belief in the powerful impact of music therapy on health and well-being.

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Harmony & Healing, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit in San Ramon, CA, delivers live Zoom music performances to hospital patients in the Bay Area. Founded by ex-BOSTON band member David Victor, it sparks joy and healing through music.

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