

Did You Know???

- ❖ *One child in 20 will have a parent die before he or she graduates from high school.*
- ❖ *Another 2% of children will experience the death of a sibling before reaching age 18.*



"Every child with a family loss should be in a support group."

Dr. John Baker, Child Psychologist

specializing in bereavement issues

~Harvard Medical School

Hopeful Hearts is a non-profit center, funded in part by Highmark Healthy High 5 for its first two years of start-up. We must work toward self-sustainability by 2011 in order to serve families in Indiana County, as well as parts of Armstrong, Jefferson, and Westmoreland Counties. Support at Hopeful Hearts is at NO COST to families. Therefore we will rely heavily upon the communities we serve for financial support. Contributions, partnerships, and donations are essential and greatly appreciated.

Hopeful Hearts' "Wish List"

- € ***Program Food Supplies*** – paper dinner plates, dessert plates, bowls, take out containers, napkins, plastic silverware, saran wrap, ziplock bags, salad dressings (Italian, Ranch, French)
- € ***Books for our Lending Library*** - children's picture books related to bereavement, feelings, coping skills; adult resource books related to bereavement and supporting children through their grief journeys
- € ***Book Display Unit*** – some type of shelf to display books in our lending library
- € ***Gift Certificates*** – to use for the purchase of items for the light meal served at family sessions or for needed program resources
- € ***Sturdy Reusable Tri-Fold Display Board*** - to use for presentations at events and meetings
- € ***Office Supplies*** - red pocket folders, labels (address and shipping), copier paper, clean edge business card paper, stamps, etc.