



2023 IMPACT AT A GLANCE

Through your generous contributions, The Kinzler Foundation supported grieving West Michigan families in 2023 by providing:

- **Short-term financial assistance** for basic family needs.
- **Connection to existing community resources** for wrap-around services like grief support.
- **Connection to others** experiencing similar situations for support and guidance.

34

Families Assisted
in 2023

250+

Families Helped
Since Inception

\$1 Million

Given in Assistance Since
Our Founding

Last year, The Kinzler Foundation was able to assist **34 families** - the most families we have ever helped in a single year!

Another major milestone: in 2023, Kinzler surpassed **one million dollars given** to families throughout West Michigan who've lost their primary caregiver!



"I can't explain how much of a mental health help the Kinzler Foundation is... not just financial."

JAMES



"They helped out with the funeral costs and giving me and my brothers a gift card for anything we need at Meijer. I'm genuinely thankful because I didn't know how I was going to get help. I appreciate you so much!"

AMAREIS



"The first few days were the hardest. While the shock was still there, I get a text from someone who just wants to be there to help with groceries, bills, and things I needed done. Or best, simply asked how we were doing. I still feel blessed that I was put in contact with the foundation."

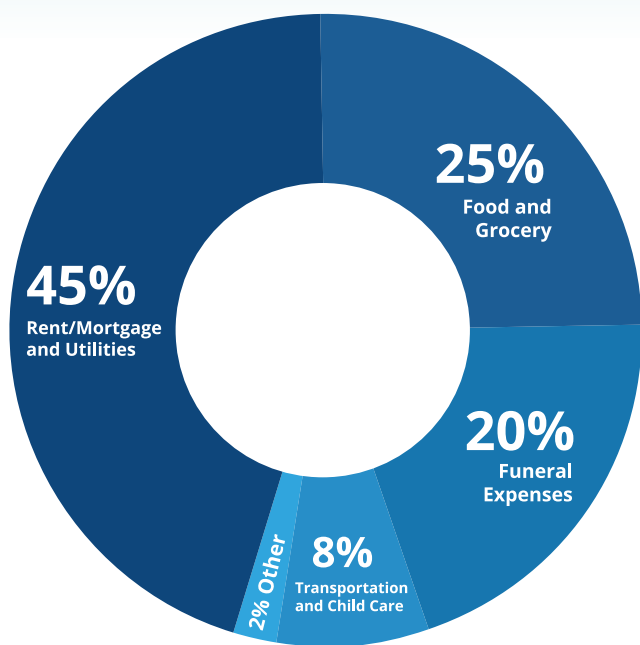
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2023 Family Support

In 2023, The Kinzler Foundation provided over \$125,000 in support for 34 families in West Michigan. Our mission is to help these families regain some stability after a tragic and unexpected loss of the household's primary caregiver.

The focus of our support are immediate, urgent needs such as housing costs, groceries, healthcare costs, and utility bills such as power, heat, water.

Together, these expenses comprise over 70% of total assistance given. Other areas of support generally include transportation, childcare costs, funeral expenses, however, the ways we can help are as varied as the families we look after.



"I felt frozen and numb. I was in shock and scared that I was going to be alone in raising my four children without their dad.

"So much is going on in my head and heart. I need and want to be there for my children. At this point that's all I wanted, was to be there for them.

"Then the questions come, 'How are you going to pay your bills alone?' I didn't know. I needed my kids to feel stability after such devastation.

"A couple of friends and family members mentioned The Kinzler Foundation. They were willing and able to lift a huge burden off my shoulders and help us out during the most difficult time in our lives.

"My family and I will be forever grateful for that gift. I still tear up to this day thinking, 'They cared so much during such a tragic time and brought some peace to us in the middle of our storm.'"

- Wendy



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The Year In Review

The Kinzler Foundation was able to help more families than ever last year, thanks in no small part to businesses and organizations throughout West Michigan.

Events of note include our **Second Annual Golf Outing** and our re-imagined **Annual Fall Fundraiser**, raising more than **\$20,000** and **\$100,000** respectively! We are so grateful to each and every sponsor, family, and individual who helped forward our mission through volunteering, spreading awareness, and through generous donations.



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Upcoming Events



Amway River Bank Run

Saturday, May 11th, 2024

The Kinzler Team is back! Get event details on our website: KinzlerFoundation.org/river-bank-run



3rd Annual Kinzler Golf Outing

Thursday, June 13th, 2024, The Meadows at GVSU

Join us for a 9 a.m. shotgun start and 12:30 p.m. buffet lunch. Learn more and sign up: KinzlerFoundation.org/golf-outing

How You Can Get Involved

If you're interested in helping West Michigan families survive, revive, and thrive, we'd love to hear from you! Get in touch with us by mail, phone, or email, or, you can make a one-time donation via the QR code below. We're so grateful your support!

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Other Ways to Give

- **Join our monthly gift club** to provide consistent support to families in need.
- **Sponsor or attend** an upcoming event.
- **Double your impact** by seeing if your employer offers gift-match opportunities.
- **Leave a legacy** through an estate gift.

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