



Dear Friend,

On Saturday, October 7, 2017, Spare Key is hosting its first annual gala, “Carnivale for a Cause” at the Civic Center in Fargo.

**Spare Key, [www.sparekey.org](http://www.sparekey.org), is a 501 © (3) non-profit (# 41-1888767) that provides housing grants to families with a seriously ill or critically injured child in the hospital.**

**Because Spare Key has such a strong, community-based mission, we are asking you to support the 2017 Gala event by making a tax deductible donation of a product or service to be used in our auction.**

In return for your generous donation, recognition will be given to all donors the night of the event through colorful auction displays, electronic bidding devices, website and PowerPoint.

**Gift certificates, company services, tickets to sporting & cultural events, or merchandise** are all terrific contributions. **Once in a lifetime experiences** are great too. Be sure to clearly print all of the information, including any restrictions pertaining to your donation, and return the completed donor form (2<sup>nd</sup> page) to us as soon as possible.

Spare Key was founded in 1997 and since then we have provided housing grant assistance to nearly 3,200 families in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin totaling nearly \$3.3 million.

In 2013 Spare Key expanded into North Dakota and we are excited to bring this event to Fargo to continue to provide services to the many North Dakota families we serve.

Spare Key provides families with the gift of time. As one Mom whose family received a Spare Key mortgage grant said, *“Spare Key helped my family Bounce and not Break!”*

We kick off the evening at “Carnivale for a Cause” with a very brief program – followed by a spectacular silent & live auction and food – and we round out the night with the fantastic Post-Traumatic Funk Syndrome AND an incredible after party!

Thank you for your consideration of this request for assistance for “Carnivale for a Cause.” Your support and generosity allows us to help more families Bounce and not Break!

Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mary Serie'.

Mary Serie  
**Director of Development**