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Kendall County Sheriff’s Participated in Fundraiser for Aurora Healthcare Foundation

The Kendall County Sheriff’s Office participated in National Breast Cancer Awareness Month which took place during the month of October. It is an annual health campaign organized by major breast cancer charities to increase the awareness of the disease and to raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure.

The Kendall County Sheriff’s Office supported the fight against breast cancer by going pink the entire month of October. During October, the Sheriff’s Office demonstrated their support and raised a total of $1566.50 by purchasing and wearing pink badges, pink shirts and uniform pins, to recognize the cause for Aurora Health Care Foundation. Deputy Karen Hanson proposed the effort in support for her relatives and friends who are and have battled cancer. There has been an overwhelming support from fellow employees who helped make the fundraiser a success.

Aurora Health Care is a not-for-profit health care system headquartered in Milwaukee and serving eastern Wisconsin. The system has 15 hospitals, more than 150 clinics, and 70 pharmacies. With 32,000 employees, including 1,800 employed physicians, Aurora is Wisconsin's largest home care organization. Since its formation in 1984, Aurora has expanded through partnerships with independent community hospitals and affiliations with physician organizations as well as organic growth by building new hospitals and medical centers.

Nationally, one out of eight women will hear the words “you have breast cancer” at some point in their lifetime. Last year, roughly one-third of the women in Wisconsin newly diagnosed with breast cancer chose Aurora Cancer Care for their care. This year we are excited to celebrate the
10th anniversary of this cause-related fundraising campaign that has helped raise breast cancer awareness in our communities while engaging local businesses to raise funds for Aurora Cancer Care breast cancer patients and their families.

Kaelyn Cercero said, “The Aurora Health Care Foundation is humbled to partner with the Kendall County Sheriff’s Department during our 10th anniversary of the Pink Possible movement supporting breast cancer patients and survivors. Their contribution helps enhance breast cancer prevention and research efforts, providing access to clinical trials, across our footprint. Thank you for making such an important impact!”

Sheriff Dwight Baird added, “It’s vital that we show our support to such a serious illness and continue to bring awareness to this important cause. Many people are either indirectly or directly affected by this devastating disease and we are dedicated to reinforce the message of supporting the fight against breast cancer”.

For more information about the local breast cancer programs, please visit https://www.aurorahealthcarefoundation.org/campaigns/pink-possible

Pictured from left to right are: Chief Deputy Michael Peters, Kaelyn Cervero (Special Events/Development, Aurora Health Care Foundation), Deputy Karen Hanson, and Sheriff Dwight Baird.