

## Clubhouse News



Rick Kleven  
Board Chair

# Update from the Board Chair

*Rick Kleven, VP of Government Affairs, Thrivent Financial*

2017—our third full year of operations—has been another amazing year for Gilda's Club Twin Cities. Since opening, we have experienced more than 25,000 visits for services by 2,000-plus people. **In last 12 months alone, demand for our program grew 44 percent!** And that demand is continuing to increase. We couldn't have served so many people without the support of our entire community—thank you!

**I'm thrilled to share that Oct. 23 is our new Executive Director Libby Utter's first day!** Learn more about her accomplishments in the [press release](#) we issued earlier this month.

Libby is a leader with proven experience who truly understands nonprofit healthcare and program delivery. I'm confident she will build on the strong foundation we have already established and will take GCTC to the next level as we work together to meet the needs of anyone in our community impacted by cancer.

Over the next several weeks, Libby will be reaching out via meetings and personal calls to you—our members, volunteers, donors and supporters—to introduce herself and get to know you. You can also reach out to her at 952-767-7620 or [Libby.Utter@GildasClubTwinCities.org](mailto:Libby.Utter@GildasClubTwinCities.org).

**We—the board and the GCTC staff—thank you for your continuing support. We plan to bring our GCTC community together in the first quarter of 2018 to share more about our vision and goals for the next few years.**

Sincerely,

Contact Rick at [Rick.Kleven@GildasClubTwinCities.org](mailto:Rick.Kleven@GildasClubTwinCities.org).

## “Models” of Support

A big thank you to the Gilda's Club members and volunteers who participated in our photoshoot on October 2. Here's a sneak peek of the photos that will be used to promote our program of support. It was a long day and a fun day with great results!

