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[Hancock, MI] Thanks to the generosity of so many individuals and organizations, the Flood with Love initiative has been able to help many private homeowners. Thanks to Pam Kauppila, owner of Time Flies Quilt and Sew in Negaunee, and a group of quilters, they raised monies to support the flood relief effort conducted by the Portage Health Foundation (PHF). These ladies raised \$2,615 through a silent auction initiative #quiltsforthecoppercountry held in Marquette County.

“This horrific event compelled me to action. We knew we wanted to donate a quilt to the Markham family,” said Pam Kauppila. “A call went out for donations of quilt tops, and we were able to get 10 quilts completed. 2 were donated to the Markham family and 8 were auctioned off on November 30. The quilts were on display at the UP Medical Center on Fair Ave in Marquette during the month of November. Bids came in from around the country, thanks to the power of social media. Thank you to everyone who participated.”

“It’s been amazing to see not only people’s generosity but also their creativity in how they raised monies,” said Chelsea Goodreau, Marketing and Communications Coordinator for PHF. “These ladies used their incredible talents to raise monies for a great cause and support the families who suffered incredible loss from the Father’s Day flood.”

The picture shows the quilt donated to the Markham family. It was created by Margaret Carignan of Escanaba, quilted by Pam. In the picture L to R is Pam Kauppila, Susan Liimatta, Joanne Markham and PHF director Kevin Store.

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PHF greatly appreciates the hard work and generosity of the people and organizations locally and beyond who have invest so much into support the Flood with Love initiative. To learn more about PHF's flood relief efforts visit phfgive.org.

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The Portage Health Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that receives and contributes charitable donations which support the health needs of the community through enhanced philanthropy and community collaboration throughout Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties.