

# Akdar Shrine

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Route 66 Cruisers

Claremore, OK 74017

In looking back at our records, we see that your organization has donated to the Transportation fund since at least 2008 and has given a grand total of \$21,900.00. We are very proud and grateful that your group has chosen our organization to give such outstanding support to all those years

These donations helped to make our Children's Christmas party a wonderful experience for all 275 Shriner children and their parents.

As far as the Akdar Shrine Hospital Transportation program is concerned here's a few facts: Presently 1279 children from Tulsa and Northeast Oklahoma are participating in our program. In 2014 we transported 549 of those children, driving 191,000 miles to and from their medical appointments. This represents 260 van trips to one of six Shriners Hospitals for Children and is broken down as follows: 87 burn and skin related patients; 444 orthopedic and cleft palate patients; and 11 spinal cord patients. Twelve of these patients had to be flown to their destination.

As you can see, the lives of many children who have been hurt or burnt, or in need of orthopedic or cleft palate surgery have been improved immensely. All this came about because of the consistently generous and kind help of caring people, such as the members of the Route 66 Cruisers. There's really no way to adequately express our appreciation except by simply saying: **"Thank you all members of the Route 66 Cruisers!"**

Sincerely,



Ralph Klumpp  
Volunteer Donations Chairman



Sam Silvers  
Akdar Shrine Potentate, 2016