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Thank you from the bottom of our heart! **Barbara and Paolo**





Many people do not know that even children can be affected by cancer and some forms are so malignant that can hardly be treated.

Tommaso Bacciotti, born in 1997, was afflicted with a rare and particularly aggressive form of brain tumor, the pineal-blastoma. It appeared when he was only 9 months old.

"Tommasino" went through intensive chemotherapy treatments at the Meyer Hospital in Florence, and a few neurosurgical interventions, both in this hospital and abroad, which allowed to reduce the tumor and keep it under control for just about a year. Unfortunately, in September 1999 it was back and sadly Tommasino passed away on the 19th of December.

Moved by such great loss, his parents, Barbara and Paolo, decided to funnel the many donations collected after Tommaso's death to a permanent endowment, creating a non-profit organization named after him, devoted to research and treatment of children's tumors, and to assistance towards families which are facing this difficult challenge.

Such experiences do not happen often and are extremely intense. Tommasino was, as all children, full of energy and desire to live: his parents do not want to lose his spirit. They feel that this incredibly positive force should bring together other sensitive people concerned about the problem and willing to give their contribution.

Tommasino has been an amazing beautiful presence and this Foundation wants to bring joy. The best response ever to the departure of a dear one is to draw energy from him. And to be constructive instead of being just commiserative and sympathetic.

PROJECTS OF THE FONDAZIONE TOMMASINO BACCIOTTI

The Foundation's initiatives are directed towards research and treatment of tumors in children, but special care is given to hospitality to families of little patients.

• Thanks to the Tommasino Housing and Hospitality Program for Families of the Meyer Hospital the Foundation offers free lodging nearby, in separate apartments, bearing all costs of rents and utilities, providing monthly the hosted families with various kind of groceries and supporting them with constant help for their specific needs.

The goal is to recreate an environment that is as familiar as possible and "normal" situations which may help children and adults to cope with the illness and find the indispensable strength and spirit to face and defeat it.

Cooperating closely with the Meyer Hospital, the Foundation supports psychologically the family members, engages children in social, fun and creative activities in its playrooms, organizes dinners with entertainment for the purpose of sharing among all hosted families, and also small trips and guided tours in and outside Florence.

- The Foundation supports research programs, funding grants for pediatric oncologists and lab technicians, and contributing to buy important equipment to treat childhood cancers in hospitals.
- Thanks to the consistent collaboration of the Tommasino Bacciotti Foundation with the Don Gnocchi Centre and the Meyer Hospital, a new Department of Pediatric Rehabilitation has opened, allowing little patients to complete their care program in Florence without having to change city again.





The Tommasino Bacciotti Foundation has been accredited as the official agent of the Meyer Hospital Housing network for long-term families' accommodation

The constant growth of prestige of the AOU Meyer brings more and more families to Florence, creating the need to ensure hospitality to people from all over Italy. Especially in case of long-stay patients, that easily need an accommodation up to a year or even more, hospitality for them and their families must be free, in order to give everyone – also low-income families – the chance to live together such difficult trial, far away from home. That's why we put our efforts in this project, therefore receiving from Meyer the role of coordinator of the hospitality network



The increasing development of the Tommasino Housing and Hospitality Program enhances our fundamental commitment: to be closer to families, more than ever!

Our goal is to keep up the mission of social support to disadvantaged families, improving the current facilities, proposing leisure activities and increasing annually the number of apartments. Accordingly, the expenses of the Hospitality Project are constantly growing. The 23rd apartment will be shortly inaugurated: this is a great and joyful achievement but also a substantial responsibility which we want to carry on with dedication and enthusiasm.

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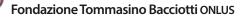
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Tommasino Housing and Hospitality Program for Families of the Meyer Hospital



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Official agent of the University Hospital "Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria Meyer" (AOU Meyer) for long-term apartment housing for little patients' families

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The Tommasino Housing and Hospitality Program

The Foundation hosts families whose children are undergoing treatment at the Meyer Hospital in **23 separate apartments, bearing all costs** of rents and utilities, and monthly, with the contribution of supporting companies, supplies families with food and basic necessities.



- **= 103** guests hosted every day
- **= 37.595** free nights in a year
- = 1.127.850€ saved by all families hosted over a year

(considering an average cost of € 30 per night)

Moreover the Foundation offers free B&B and hotel lodging for those families who come to Florence for quick check ups and don't fit in the hospital's on-site accommodation program.

2 apartments Tommasino on LUNGARNO FERRUCCI





8 apartments Tommasino in VIA DELLE GORE













4 apartments Tommasino in VIA DELLO STECCUTO









5 apartments Tommasino in VIA REGINALDO GIULIANI









2 apartments Tommasino in SERPIOLLE





1 apartment Tommasino in ROVEZZANO





1 apartment Tommasino in VIA LEONCINI



