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Hensel Twins Donate Puzzle to Fundraise for Mayor's Council for People with Disabilities

CHEYENNE – Daniel and David Hensel, the young adult twin sons of Daryl and Jounice Hensel, who were diagnosed with Fragile X as children, have put together a superhero puzzle for an online auction benefiting the Mayor's Council for People with Disabilities (MCPD).

A step-by-step guide to place a bid for the online auction is provided below. The auction runs through Thursday, November 15.

Daniel and David received the puzzle -- appropriately called The Superheroes -- with the intent of donating it to the Mayor's Council for People with Disabilities. Their father, Daryl, Treasurer for the MCPD, delightedly told the membership about his sons' gift. The MCPD, which receives no funding from the City, decided that auctioning the puzzle online would be a unique way of raising money while celebrating the gifts, talents, and abilities of Daniel and David.



Daniel Hensel (left) and David Hensel (right)

Fragile X is a genetic condition that causes intellectual disabilities, behavioral and learning challenges, as well as various physical characteristics. Characteristics also include a friendly disposition, excellent imitation skills, a sense of humor, sweet temperaments, and a strong visual and long-term memory. Focused on their sons' abilities verses any disabilities, the Hensel's encouraged the boys to put together puzzles as they grew up.

David learned to enjoy them, but Daniel became the, “Puzzle Master,” of the dynamic duo, or Double D, as they are known to their family and many in the community.

Roughly seven years ago, David’s parents noticed bruising on his body for no apparent reason. Eventually, he was diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia, a condition existing when the bone marrow does not produce the quantity of red and white blood cells, and platelets the body needs. David is receiving chemotherapy while preparing to receive a bone marrow transplant on October 16th. His oldest brother, Christopher, will donate the bone marrow.

The Mayor’s Council for People with Disabilities is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, run by volunteers appointed by the Mayor. They serve as an advisory, educational and referral organization, bringing awareness of issues affecting people with disabilities to people of all abilities. For more information on the Mayor’s Council for People with Disabilities, please access their website at www.cheyennesmcpd.org or contact the Mayor’s office at 307-637-6300.

Step-By-Step Guide

1. Visit www.cheyennesmcpd.org
2. Click on **Our Fundraising Auction**
3. Click on **Create an Account** (includes email verification)
4. Place bid