

## Brenda K. Pavlak, CPA Elected to Family Hope Foundation's Board of Directors

GRAND RAPIDS, MI, October 13, 2010 – Echelbarger, Himebaugh, Tamm & Co. PC (EHTC), announces that In-Charge Accountant, Brenda K. Pavlak, CPA has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors for Family Hope Foundation, a West Michigan not-for-profit foundation dedicated to reaching out to all children with special needs.



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At EHTC, Pavlak provides tax planning and consulting services to small businesses. Her specialty is Estate, Gift, and Trust tax return preparation. Lara Kitts, Family Hope Foundation's Chair, commented, "We are so excited to have Brenda join our Board of Directors. Her passion for children with special needs along with her skills and expertise are such an asset to Family Hope Foundation. We look forward to having her join us as we work to bring back hope to families who are struggling to find resources and support."

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Family Hope Foundation is composed of 17 board members from the West Michigan community who are committed to providing support to children with special needs and their families. The foundation will soon be reviewing applications for its second cycle of grants to help families pay for therapy that insurance won't cover for their child with special needs. These therapies are necessary for their bodies and brains to grow and develop, to function and cope with the world around them and to reach their fullest potential. Family Hope Foundation, a tax-exempt nonprofit organization, will fund grants through donor gifts and foundation grants. Go to [www.thefamilyhopefoundation.org](http://www.thefamilyhopefoundation.org) for more information.