



Balloon Angels Timelines and Accomplishments –

- ❑ Nov. 2002 Gina McQuillen delivers the first balloons to Baptist Hospital East in Louisville, KY. She starts by taking in 10 balloons per week.
- ❑ Feb. 2003 First donations are received.
- ❑ Apr. 2003 Balloon Angels makes the front page of the Baptist Hospital East newsletter “InSights” for employees, medical staff and volunteers of the hospital.
- ❑ Jun. 5, 2003 Balloon Angels, Inc. is formed and recognized as an official corporation in the Commonwealth of Kentucky!
- ❑ Nov. 4, 2003 Balloon Angels first anniversary is featured on Louisville television station WDRB's, FOX in the Morning. Gina McQuillen and Lisa Lee tell the Balloon Angel story.
- ❑ Dec. 2003 In 2003 Balloon Angels delivers about 2,500 free balloons to hospitalized children
- ❑ Jul. 30, 2004 Balloon Angels, Inc. files application for tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.
- ❑ Sep. 21, 2004 Balloon Angels Inc, receives IRS 501 (c)(3) status as an official non-profit organization!
- ❑ Oct. 21, 2004 Anagram International donates 1,300 free balloons to Balloon Angels!
- ❑ Oct. 23, 2004 CTI Industries donates 720 free balloons to Balloon Angels!
- ❑ Dec. 2004 In 2004 Balloon Angels delivers about 5,000 free balloons to hospitalized children!
- ❑ Dec. 2004 Balloon Angels participates in Northeast Christian Church’s Kingdom Assignment II project and takes approximately 60 new volunteers into Kosair Children’s Hospital. About 50% of those want to be regular volunteers.
- ❑ Dec. 4, 2004 Anagram International donates 3,350 free Christmas balloons to Balloon Angels.
- ❑ Dec. 2004 Balloon Angels has it’s first month ever of delivering over 1,000 Balloons to kids at Baptist East and Kosair Children’s Hospitals!
- ❑ Jan. 17, 2005 Balloon Angels receives its first grant for \$1,000!!!
- ❑ Sep. 26, 2005 Balloon Angels receives the Presidential Volunteer Service Award, Gold Level. This is the highest level of service award, given to organizations that contribute more than 1,000 hours or more of volunteer service and civic participation over the course of a 12-month period.
- ❑ Dec. 2005 In 2005 Balloon Angels delivers almost 10,000 free balloons to hospitalized children!
- ❑ Dec. 2005 Balloon Angels finishes the 2005 year by fundraising for more than \$17, 500 for the calendar year – the best year ever!
- ❑ Feb. 2006 Balloon Angels President and Founder nominated for HER award and recognized by the Louisville magazine Today’s Woman for her involvement and work with Balloon Angels.