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MULLEN 36 FAMILY FOUNDATION PRESENTS \$25,000 CHECK TO FRIENDS OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

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JACKSON, Miss. – Friends of Children's Hospital, a support group for Batson Children's Hospital, was recently chosen as the first beneficiary of funds from the Mullen 36 Family Foundation. Megan Mullen, second from left, presents a \$25,000 donation to Friends' chairman of the board Sara Ray, third from right, and president Leigh Reeves, second from right. Megan Mullen and her husband, Mississippi State University's head football coach Dan Mullen, created the foundation to benefit 36 different organizations in the state of Mississippi. The money will be used as part of Friends' \$2 million campaign for the Children's Heart Center at Batson Children's Hospital. Also present to accept the check are, from left, Dr. Ali Dodge-Khatami, professor of pediatrics and congenital heart surgery, Terri Gillespie, Batson Children's Hospital's chief nursing officer, and Dr. Jorge Salazar, chief of pediatric and congenital heart surgery and co-director of the Children's Heart Center.

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About Batson Children's Hospital

Batson Children's Hospital, part of Children's of Mississippi, is located at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. It is the only hospital in the state devoted exclusively to the care and treatment of sick and injured youngsters. Batson houses the state's only Level I pediatric trauma unit, pediatric intensive care and cardiac intensive care units and our pediatric surgical suite is the only one of its kind offering inpatient clinical care for a wide range of specialty surgeries. The spectrum of care ranges from wellchild care for healthy newborns to comprehensive care for cancer, epilepsy, cystic fibrosis, sickle cell anemia, allergies, diabetes and numerous other childhood illnesses.