



## Hopewell Youth Baseball Association

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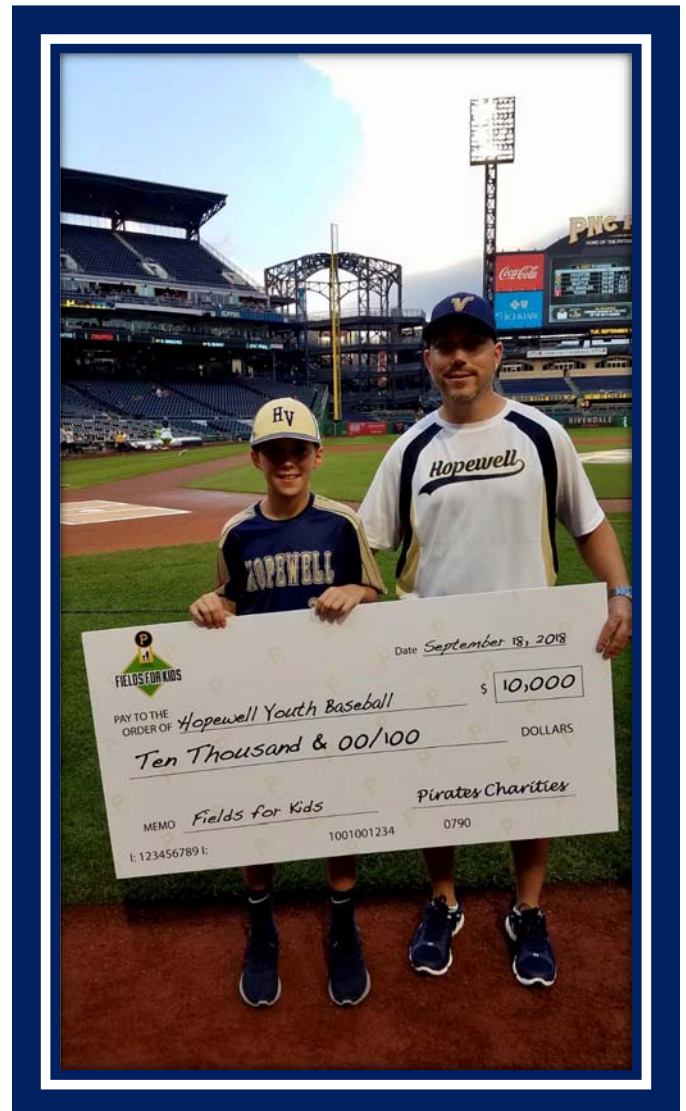
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On Tuesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, Dave Gigliotti and son Zac represented Hopewell Youth Baseball to accept a \$10,000 grant during a pregame ceremony at PNC Park. The grant, gifted from the Pittsburgh Pirates Charities' Fields for Kids organization, will help fund the second phase of Hopewell's "[Lights On](#)" field lighting project. More specifically, the \$10,000 grant will be applied directly to the \$26,000 field lighting of the 9/10 field at Hopewell's Kane Road Baseball Complex.

The Pirates Charities *Fields for Kids* program provides financial support to improve youth baseball and/or softball facilities via matching grants to nonprofit organizations and local government units that operate baseball and/or softball programs.

A total of 34 youth baseball and softball organizations serving over 9,100 youth located throughout three states are impacted by the 2018 grants. Groups in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia were awarded funds to help ensure their programs continue to thrive.

In 2018, Pirates Charities distributed the 34 grants over two grant cycles (Spring and Fall) with 22 grants between \$1,000 and \$5,000 being awarded to area nonprofits, 11 grants of between \$5,000 and \$10,000 distributed, and one \$25,000 grant awarded. Since the *Fields for Kids* program's inception in 2009, 326 individual grants have been distributed in the greater Pittsburgh region.



Hopewell Youth Baseball received the Pittsburgh Pirates Charities' Fields for Kids grant for the third time (2009 – Batting Cage, 2016 – Field Surface , 2018 – Field Lighting).