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News from the Foundation for the Callier Center

Ruth & Ken Altshuler

Inspiring philanthropy and volunteerism

Ruth and Ken Altshuler epitomize the generous spirit of Dallas. Underlying the countless prestigious awards that both have received is the core philosophy of trying to improve care in our community. Many institutions have benefited from their personal involvement and financial support. Many individuals have been inspired to do more to make Dallas a better place to live.

Dr. Altshuler has been a trustee of the Foundation for the Callier Center since it began to re-focus its goals and initiatives. As a pioneer in developing psychiatric research and services for persons with early profound deafness, and having received an Honorary Doctorate from Gallaudet College in recognition of his work, he has long had a special interest in our Callier population.

At a retreat in March 2007, the Callier Foundation Board discussed its new priorities and decided that, for the Board members themselves, their motto would be, "Give first, and ask second." A stance with such demonstrable personal dedication, they believed, would be vital in achieving the assistance they would be seeking from the community.

Shortly afterwards, the Altshulers pledged a generous gift to help launch what was to be the new



"Callier Care Fund." The Fund will address such critical needs at Callier as support for families challenged by the treatment costs of helping children with cochlear implants, and scholarships for Center students pursuing graduate degrees in audiology or speech and language pathology. In addition, the Fund will be used to assist UT Dallas Callier-based research scientists in exploring discoveries in hearing, speech and language for children and adults.

We are deeply grateful to Ruth and Ken Altshuler for "giving first." In "asking second," the Callier Center Board encourages everyone to follow their generous lead. The smallest and largest gifts to the Callier Care Fund will make a profound difference in the lives of students, researchers and our patients.

Your tax-deductible "Callier Care Fund" contribution may be mailed to:
UTD/Callier Center; Attn: Development Office; 1966 Inwood Road; Dallas, TX 75235.

We welcome the opportunity to visit personally with anyone interested in our board's philanthropic endeavors. Call 214-905-3149 for further information.