



SYREETA WRIGHT-MUHAMMAD PIONEER FOR THE CURE AWARD

The Denise Roberts Breast Cancer Foundation (TDRBCF) supports the numerous efforts and strides made in finding a cure for Breast Cancer and promoting Breast Cancer awareness. TDRBCF's mission is to implore and encourage women and men to take action today, and to educate the community about breast cancer, prevention and early detection.

In the development of TDRBCF'S Founder's Day Celebration held at the House of Blues, Denise Roberts, CEO & Survivor, was impressed and awed by one woman's efforts to make a vast difference in her community. Syreeta Wright-Muhammad was a very talented singer/songwriter. She began her career at Motown and worked with phenomenal talent such as, Stevie Wonder, Billy Preston, George Duke and Nelson Range, just to name a few.

Syreeta was a strong and brave woman, who knew that God had a greater purpose for her here on earth. Even when doctors told her that she would never have children, God blessed her with two boys and two girls. She was a devoted mother and often expressed that her greatest wish and desire was to see a better reality not only for herself and children, but for all humanity, especially her people.

Syreeta's famous saying was "just make it happen," and she did just that! She was the Cultural Refinement Director for the Western Region of the Nation of Islam, and was instrumental in introducing a new form of cultural expression. Syreeta's work with a group of young Muslim girls called "Divine Hands" introduced this Cultural Revolution to the masses. They traveled throughout America and internationally inspiring many Mosques throughout the Nation of Islam.

After a long and courageous battle with Breast Cancer and heart failure, Syreeta passed away on July 6, 2004. Her journey and experience has enlightened many men and women. Denise Roberts and TDRBCF's members are honored to award Stevie Wonder with the **SYREETA WRIGHT-MUHAMMAD PIONEER FOR THE CURE AWARD** in tribute to Syreeta Wright-Muhammad, a leader and inspiration to us all. TDRBCF will continue to give this prestigious award annually to ensure that her memory lives on through the honorable efforts of the recipient in making a difference and giving back to the community.