

# BLACK OUT

## RETT SYNDROME

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO  
A MUSICAL EVENING TO HELP  
IRSF REVERSE RETT SYNDROME.**

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**• CLINT BLACK •**

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and Clint will share behind-the-scenes  
tales of the inspiration for many of his  
hits including: "Killin' Time," "A Better  
Man," and "Put Yourself in My Shoes."

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**OCTOBER 27, 2012**  
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help make the future brighter for many families!

Your help is our hope to black out Rett syndrome!



## WHAT IS RETT SYNDROME?

Rett syndrome (RTT) is a genetic neurological disorder that occurs almost exclusively in girls. Rett syndrome becomes apparent after 6-18 months of early normal development. It results in a regression that leads to lifelong handicaps, including loss of speech, purposeful hand use and mobility. It is often misdiagnosed as autism or cerebral palsy.

## WHAT IS IRSF?

The International Rett Syndrome Foundation is the largest and most comprehensive not-for-profit organization for parents, scientists, interested professionals and others concerned with RTT. Their mission is to support and encourage medical research to find a cure and treatments for RTT, and to increase public awareness and family support.

## WHO'S INVOLVED AND AFFECTED?

Somewhere in the world, every few hours a child is born with Rett syndrome. RTT affects 1 in 10,000-15,000 live female births. There are over 200,000 girls and women worldwide who have Rett syndrome.

Kevin Black's daughter, Cortney, died from complications of Rett syndrome in 2002. In her memory, Clint and Kevin Black are dedicated to making a difference for others living with the devastating impact of RTT.

Several local families and friends have come together to raise critical funding to provide care, advocacy and research that will lead to a brighter future for those affected by Rett syndrome.

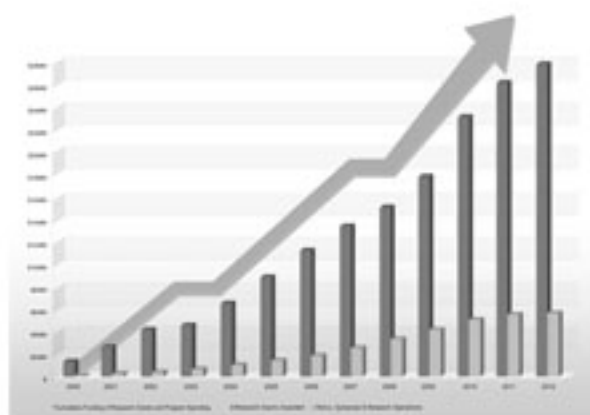


## WHY NOW?

Since the discovery of the gene that causes Rett syndrome and recent research that shows the reversibility of RTT symptoms in mice, we now have an unprecedented and historic opportunity to fund crucial new research with the potential to impact millions of lives and advance the understanding of Rett syndrome and many other related disorders. Because Rett syndrome is a classic chromatin disorder, it has become the "rosetta stone" of brain disorders. Leading scientists believe Rett syndrome

research will help to unlock treatments and cures for other related disorders, including autism, schizophrenia and some forms of mental retardation. Research can make a difference to provide care today and a cure tomorrow.

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