

Happy Fall! We are thankful for your support as we welcome a new fiscal year and continue our efforts to grant as many wishes that we can during these challenging times. The hope and joy of a wish is critical to wish kids and their families who need our support.

This year we have made some changes to our newsletter that we hope you enjoy. We've added a partner spotlight featuring some of our most dedicated supporters who are inspirational! We will also provide information about participating in some exciting campaigns and upcoming virtual events.

It is because of you that we are able to fulfill our mission of granting wishes for children with critical illnesses every single day.



Abby's Shopping Spree Wish

Abby recently celebrated her wish for a virtual shopping spree thanks to longtime volunteer Sherrie Davis who contacted the local fire department to stage an amazing socially distanced party. Sherri shared, "The wish celebration was incredible. We had so many firemen there and several fire engines. They actually shut the street down where the family lives during the celebration. The whole family is so sweet. Thank you for letting me know about the wish celebration. I feel like I can't stop smiling. I love doing this."

Click below to read more about Abby's story.

ABBY'S WISH



Partner Spotlight

We are introducing our new partner spotlight! Every month, we will select a supporter of Make-A-Wish to recognize their contributions to our chapter. For our first spotlight, we are highlighting Ed DeAngelis, President of EDA Contractors, Inc. and longtime partner of Make-A-Wish. Ed has been instrumental in helping Make-A-Wish grant wishes. He and his team are currently working on a room makeover for a wish kid in Northeast Philadelphia, has helped build treehouses for wish kids, and his company hosts wish celebrations for wish kids he has supported over the years. He is a dedicated donor and a fantastic Philadelphia native to get to know. Click below to read more about Ed.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT



Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, and we'd like to recognize our wish kids fighting cancer as well as medical professionals in the field.

Greg Baiocchi is a social worker at Penn State Hershey's Children's Hospital and has been working with Make-A-Wish for 33 years. Here's what Greg had to say about Make-A-Wish:

"As a pediatric oncology social worker, I get to see first-hand how special Make-A-Wish is to kids and families. Once the shock of their child's cancer diagnosis begins to decrease, they begin to wonder what this new normal is going to look like. Make-A-Wish is able to bring hope and happiness to the kids and families. Make-A-Wish provides the support and positive motivation; helping kids and families get through the most difficult challenge of their lives. The child's wish is like a life medicine; helping to renew their lives and their families. I see it happen all the time and for this I am grateful for Make-A-Wish"



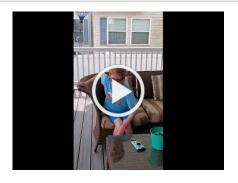


Virtual Silent Auction

While COVID-19 continues to impact the community, this year's Celebration of Wishes auction is going virtual! Help us support local wish kids who are waiting for their wishes. Mark your calendar for October 7 when we kick-off our online auction and fundraiser where guests may make an outright gift or bid on silent auction items including merchandise from Lilly Pulitzer, Kendra Scott, an Apple iPad, golf experiences at exclusive country clubs, gift cards to Sephora, Nordstrom, Williams & Sonoma to name a few, overnight stays and a lot more. There is something for everyone!

Proceeds from the virtual silent auction help grant wishes for children with critical illnesses. Look for an email on October 7 with a link to the auction site. We hope you'll join us! For questions, please contact Karen Traten.

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Stars At Home Talent Show

Congratulations to wish kid Justin D who won our first ever virtual talent show! Thanks to our participants and donors, we raised \$20,000 for local wish kids.



Virtual Truck Convoy

Thank you to our truck drivers, sponsors, donors and volunteers for making our first ever Virtual Truck Convoy a huge success! With your support, we raised over \$300,000! Click below to read more about the Convoy and watch a video.

VIRTUAL TRUCK CONVOY

Donate to Make-A-Wish



Don't forget that we need your continued support to grant wishes like Zoe's. Please consider a donation today.







