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# Wishing Well

*I wish to have  
a fire engine  
play set*

**Axel, 3**  
blood disorder

Read about  
Axel's wish  
on page 2.



# Axel to the Rescue

*For three-year-old Axel of Edmond, WV, nothing brings a smile to his face like the sound of a fire engine ready to save the day.*

“He gathers up his fire trucks and spends hours laying on the floor or on the couch playing with them and making the sounds,” said Axel’s mom, Melissa. “He gets so excited when he sees one on TV or when we are out. He watches out the windows at the hospital, hoping just to see one.”

When Axel was first met by his Make-A-Wish® volunteers, he knew that he wanted to be just like his heroes—ready to take on any challenge that came his way. So, like any brave firefighter in the making, he wished to have his very own fire engine play set.

On the day of his wish, Axel could not contain his excitement as his fire truck play set was being installed in his family’s yard.

“He spotted it through the living room window and then ran to the door, yelling, ‘Mom! Mom! There’s a fire truck,’” said Melissa. “He had to go straight out on the porch and watch them.”

The giant, red wooden engine came complete with ladders, a climbing wall, a lookout, a curvy yellow slide and most importantly—a steering wheel. Donning his fire chief hat and uniform, Axel immediately took to the driver’s seat of his play set, ready for rescue missions and adventures ahead.

In this moment, Axel was not thinking about his treatments for his blood disorder or wondering when he would have to stay at the hospital again. Axel could just be the hero that he had always wanted to be.

“Having a child with a critical illness is hard on the heart, but the love from so many for Axel means so much to our family,” Melissa said. “We are very blessed that our community came together to ensure Axel’s wish was granted. We’ll always be forever thankful to everyone who made this wish possible.”

**Axel's wish began with hope. And hope begins with you. Help support wishes today at [wish.org/greaterpawv/donate](http://wish.org/greaterpawv/donate).**



Referrer: Melissa Perdue  
Volunteers: Michelle Harper  
and Jennifer Legg

# Then & NOW

As you know, wishes are more than just 'nice' things, they're moments that offer children a chance to feel free from the struggles of their critical illnesses. A wish allows a child to build strength, feel joy and most importantly, regain hope for the future. Every so often, wish families will update us on their family since their child's wish. And with every letter and photo we receive, it's very clear that the emotional and physical impact of a wish is truly life-changing.



## Happiest Place on Earth

In 2018, seven-year-old Anna was granted her wish to visit the Happiest Place on Earth—the Walt Disney World® Resort. While at the park, she rode her favorite rides, saw amazing shows and met all her favorite Disney characters. After having spent several months indoors and at the hospital to treat her leukemia diagnosis, Anna was beyond thrilled to finally have a family vacation filled with laughter and excitement. Now, Anna is 10 years old and always up for new adventures and vacations in the sun.

## Playhouse Party

Back in 2017, Eddie was granted his one-true-wish to have a Mickey Mouse playhouse in his own backyard. Eddie was only five years old when his wish was granted, and prior to that, he was diagnosed with a rare brain tumor. But on Eddie's wish day, he didn't think about his condition, he was just ecstatic to play with all of his friends and family. Now, Eddie is nine years old and is thriving, not letting his condition slow him down.



*Hope is essential* for children with critical illness, and you can unlock its life-changing power today. Help make wishes come true.

Celebrate a world of wishes  
on World Wish Day®  
April 29, 2021

DONATE TODAY AT  
[WISH.ORG/GREATERPAWV](http://WISH.ORG/GREATERPAWV)

*I wish to have a  
backyard makeover*

Kylie, 12  
cancer

DON'T WAIT  
FOR HOPE.  
Create it.



# Wishes Come True



## A LOOK BACK ON 2020

2020 was a year full of challenges and uncertainty, especially for our wish kids who already face the unimaginable. Throughout the months of January, February and most of March, our chapter was still granting wishes involving travel until the pandemic placed travel wishes on hold. However, through it all, our donors and volunteers dedicated their time and efforts to bring wishes to life. We would like to look back and celebrate all the wishes that were made possible by supporters like you.

## JANUARY 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Jack	5	PA	Centre	Disney World
Brynnley	10	WV	Wayne	Disney World
Pierce	4	WV	Brooke	Disney World
Maryann	17	PA	Centre	Hawaii
Jeremy	5	WV	Harrison	Pea Pod chair
Tessa	9	WV	Raleigh	Disney World
Kendal	6	WV	Lincoln	Camper
Marco	5	PA	Allegheny	Disney World
Martin	11	WV	Cabell	Disney World
Declan	7	PA	Lycoming	Disney World
Teegan	9	PA	Bradford	Bahamas
Joshua	17	WV	Mingo	Bahamas
Darrin	3	PA	Venango	Disney World
Donna	17	PA	Washington	Disney World
Jacob	17	PA	Allegheny	Hawaii
Derek	13	PA	Mifflin	Shopping Spree
Johnathan	17	PA	Northampton	Shopping Spree
Ella	6	PA	Snyder	Hot Tub
Weston	5	PA	McKean	Disney World
Madison	12	PA	Columbia	Disney World
Kalia	7	WV	Cabell	Disney World
Alexia	10	PA	Monroe	Disney World
Alyssa	8	PA	Washington	Disney World
Aiden	3	PA	Allegheny	Disney World
Kendle	7	PA	Franklin	Sensory Toy Room
Lauren	17	PA	Butler	Hawaii
Alina	5	PA	Butler	Disney World
Benjamin	16	PA	Northampton	Disney World
Joseph	17	PA	Franklin	Visit YouTubers Hi5 Studios
Joshua	5	PA	Centre	Disney World
Allison	13	WV	Roane	Outdoor Art Studio
Jayse	5	PA	Lawrence	Disney Cruise
Elvis	9	PA	Monroe	Disney World
Cameron	10	PA	Blair	Disney World
Kayleen	15	PA	Crawford	Disney World
Shawn	17	PA	Mifflin	Hawaii
Thatcher	6	PA	Butler	Disney World
Essence	5	PA	Lehigh	Disney World
Henry	11	PA	Northumberland	Disney World



*I wish to have an art studio*

**Allison, 13**  
brain tumor



*I wish to go to the Walt Disney World® Resort*

**Darrin, 3**  
congenital heart disease

*I wish to go to the  
Walt Disney World®  
Resort*

**Carlos, 17**  
blood disorder



# FEBRUARY 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Mireya	5	PA	Allegheny	Disney World
Talynn	4	PA	Mifflin	Disney World
Luca	9	PA	Lackawanna	Disney World
Kanen	14	WV	McDowell	Go to the Super Bowl
Devyn	17	PA	Westmoreland	Meet the Houston Rockets
Alina	3	WV	Wood	Have a Home Theater
Emma	16	PA	Allegheny	Hawaii
Joey	17	PA	Crawford	Pedal Kayak
Andrew	14	PA	Crawford	Pedal Kayak
Kyair	15	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree
Selah	10	PA	Allegheny	Cockapoo Puppy
Chase	11	PA	Franklin	Australia
Carlos	17	PA	Luzerne	Disney World
Kamille	16	PA	Allegheny	Disney World
Brayden	6	PA	Westmoreland	Pittsburgh Penguins' Experience
Izabella	6	PA	Mercer	Disney World
David	3	PA	Schuylkill	Sensory Equipment
Mollie	5	PA	Venango	Disney World
Nathaniel	7	PA	Butler	Disney World
Micheal	16	WV	Pendleton	Shopping Spree
Colin	3	PA	Erie	Disney World
Joe	6	PA	Erie	Disney World
Jameson	6	PA	Wayne	Disney World
Christopher	14	WV	Wetzel	Disney World
Dakota	15	PA	Lycoming	Bahamas
Kayden	5	PA	Greene	Disney World
Kelsey	5	PA	Blair	Disney World
Christian	10	PA	Lycoming	Disney World
Gabriel	14	PA	York	Shopping Spree
Grayson	3	PA	Somerset	Disney World

# MARCH 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Daisy	17	PA	Clearfield	Hawaii
Robert	7	PA	Venango	Disney World
Pratibha	11	PA	Lackawanna	Computer
Wesley	5	PA	Columbia	Disney World
Jacob	9	PA	Beaver	Disney World
Luna	6	PA	Cameron	Disney World
Savanna	10	PA	Luzerne	Disney World
Benjamin	3	PA	Lackawanna	Disney World
Mason	3	PA	Luzerne	Disney World
Kennedy	4	PA	Centre	Disney World
Alex	5	PA	McKean	Disney World
Sierra	17	PA	Butler	Disney World
Xavier	3	WV	Boone	Disney World
Rachel	17	PA	Allegheny	Turks and Caicos
Chase	11	PA	Allegheny	Hawaii
Jaxon	3	WV	Harrison	Disney World
Lauren	11	PA	Elk	Hawaii
Isabelle	8	WV	Preston	Disney World
McKenna	10	WV	Mercer	Disney World
Alexia	17	PA	Schuylkill	Bedroom Makeover
Austin	17	PA	Beaver	Computer
Zakary	4	WV	Fayette	Bedroom Makeover
Adrian	3	PA	Centre	Play Set
Reece	11	WV	Pocahontas	Shopping Spree



*I wish to have an  
online shopping spree*

**Reece, 10**  
cancer



*I wish to have a Cavachon puppy*

**Caroline, 4**  
cancer



## APRIL 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Thomas	13	WV	Kanawha	Shopping Spree
Brynlee	6	PA	Clearfield	Shopping Spree
Christopher	3	PA	Warren	Pony and Cart
Juliana	11	PA	Pike	Golf Cart
Alivia	10	PA	Mifflin	Shopping Spree
Malia	3	PA	Luzerne	Camper
Alivia	11	PA	Mifflin	Shopping Spree



## MAY 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Caroline	4	PA	Lackawanna	CavachonPuppy
Andy	8	PA	Lehigh	Shopping Spree
McKenna	10	PA	York	Shopping Spree
Zaavan	9	PA	Berks	Shopping Spree
Reinaldo	11	PA	Lehigh	Shopping Spree
Jackson	8	PA	Centre	Go to the Beach with my Family
Andrew	16	WV	Jefferson	Meet Tom Kenny
Erick	17	PA	Berks	Computer
Rebecca	14	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree
Kaden	17	PA	Franklin	Computer
Noah	7	PA	Crawford	Play Set
Nehemiah	12	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree
Brandon	17	PA	Washington	College Tuition
Andrew	14	PA	Montour	Shopping Spree
Elisa	14	PA	McKean	Shopping Spree



*I wish to have a shopping spree*

**Brynlee, 6**  
genetic disorder



# JUNE 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Noah	4	WV	Harrison	Play Set
Ogden	17	PA	Armstrong	Video Game Armor
Wyatt	17	WV	Taylor	Swimming Pool
Lyndsay	7	PA	Jefferson	Shopping Spree
Sabella	7	PA	Lycoming	Pop-up Camper
Reece	11	PA	Erie	Outer Banks, NC
Jadon	5	PA	Indiana	Virginia Beach, VA
Reid	5	PA	Washington	Swimming Pool
Emilie	17	WV	Berkeley	College Tuition
Cameron	4	PA	Westmoreland	Communication Device
Madison	17	PA	Adams	Shopping Spree
Khila	11	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree



*I wish to have a shopping spree*

**Khila, 11**  
nervous system disorder



# JULY 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Riley	17	PA	Allegheny	Truck Restoration
Frank	3	PA	Erie	Camper
Wilmi	17	PA	Lehigh	Computer
Blaze	10	PA	Lehigh	Shopping Spree
Thomas	17	PA	Northumberland	Computer
Alexis	17	PA	Union	Shopping Spree
Colton	17	PA	Venango	Boat
Jeffrey	5	WV	Kanawha	Sensory Toy Room
Ariamys	6	PA	Berks	Micro American Bully Puppy
Jave	15	PA	Lawrence	Shopping Spree
Cody	13	PA	Lackawanna	Meet My Favorite YouTuber
Ryan	15	PA	Allegheny	Computer
Rebecca	14	PA	Blair	Cockapoo Puppy
Barry	10	PA	Adams	Shopping Spree
Tyler	15	WV	Monongalia	Electronics
Charles	4	PA	Erie	Shopping Spree
Brandon	16	PA	Tioga	Shopping Spree



*I wish to have a gaming computer*

**Thomas, 16**  
cystic fibrosis





# AUGUST 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Alan	15	PA	Northampton	Outdoor Play Area
Sicily	17	PA	Berks	Shopping Spree
Rosemary	5	PA	Somerset	Swimming Pool
Benjamin	3	PA	Northampton	Camper
Sabrina	12	PA	Schuylkill	Swimming Pool
Ty	11	PA	Westmoreland	Shopping Spree
Logan	17	WV	Wetzel	Basset Hound Puppy
Kassidy	17	PA	York	Shopping Spree
Jessilynne	2 ½	WV	Grant	Play Set
Killian	3	PA	Beaver	Sleep Safe Bed
Gavin	12	PA	Berks	Shopping Spree
Haley	6	PA	Allegheny	Swimming Pool
Jaycee	12	PA	Armstrong	Swimming Pool
Lillian	17	PA	Erie	Donate Musical Instruments to My School
Derick	3	PA	Snyder	Pony Cart
Mason	17	PA	Somerset	Outfit My Garage with Tools
Meghan	17	PA	Allegheny	Swimming Pool
Gabrielle	7	WV	Berkeley	Deep Creek, MD
Brennan	17	PA	York	Shopping Spree
Isaiah	17	WV	Upshur	Car Restoration
Scarlett	3	PA	Westmoreland	Camper
Noelle	6	PA	York	English Yellow Lab Puppy
Brody	10	PA	York	Clubhouse
Wyatt	14	PA	Bedford	Computer



# SEPTEMBER 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Alessa	6	WV	Brooke	Swimming Pool
Grace	13	PA	Allegheny	Swimming Pool
Cory	11	PA	Cambria	Siberian Husky Puppy
Isabella	12	PA	Erie	Play Set
Joshua	14	WV	Nicholas	Shopping Spree
Ellie	17	WV	Braxton	Photography Equipment
Emelyn	3	PA	Armstrong	Outfitted for Camping Adventures
Chase	9	PA	York	Play Set
Christopher	3	PA	York	Play Set
Isabel	16	PA	York	Shopping Spree
Isabella	5	WV	Hampshire	Play Set
Maikele	11	PA	Northampton	Shopping Spree
Bryce	4	PA	Washington	Swimming Pool
Jalen	17	PA	Lackawanna	Shopping Spree
Xavier	4	PA	Berks	Wildwood, NJ
Gabriel	11	PA	Venango	Computer
Bryce	17	PA	Jefferson	Car Restoration
Cowan	4	PA	Blair	Camper
Andrew	17	PA	Blair	Shopping Spree



*I wish to have a play set*

**Christopher, 3**  
nervous system disorder



# OCTOBER 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Willette	17	WV	Berkeley	Shopping Spree
Austin	10	PA	Schuylkill	Computer
Kosey	10	PA	Lawrence	Backyard Basketball Court
Christopher	12	PA	Westmoreland	Shopping Spree
Landin	5	WV	Marshall	Playhouse
Blake	16	PA	York	YouTube Production Studio
Cody	3	PA	Northumberland	Sensory Toys
Hannah	15	PA	Berks	Cockapoo Puppy
Kyle	15	PA	Snyder	Bedroom Redecoration
Ryan	7	PA	Butler	Bedroom Redecoration

*I wish to have a basketball court in my backyard*

**Kosey, 10**  
brain tumor



# NOVEMBER 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Tamirae	9	PA	Berks	Sensory Toys
Marilyn	5	PA	Lackawanna	Shopping Spree
Emily	16	WV	Raleigh	Corgi Puppy
Jenna	17	PA	Susquehanna	Shopping Spree
Sawyer	8	PA	Huntingdon	Play House
Tarica	11	PA	Blair	Shopping Spree
Gage	4	PA	Beaver	Play Set
McKenna	13	PA	Westmoreland	Shopping Spree
Cindy	3	PA	Crawford	Play Set
Bryannah	12	PA	Luzerne	Home Theater
Mason	6	WV	Logan	Camper
Noah	13	PA	Somerset	Bedroom Makeover
Declan	5	WV	Ohio	Shopping Spree
Madison	12	WV	Harrison	Goldendoodle Puppy
Easton	4	PA	Cambria	Golf Cart
Ian	16	PA	Berks	Computer
Brayden	3	PA	Monroe	Meet Mickey Mouse
Me'shyah	8	PA	Luzerne	Bedroom Makeover
Mason	15	PA	Crawford	Shopping Spree
Inez	17	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree
Austin	17	PA	Allegheny	Shopping Spree
Sharlita	13	PA	Juniata	Bedroom Makeover



*I wish to have to a Corgi puppy*

**Emily, 16**  
leukemia



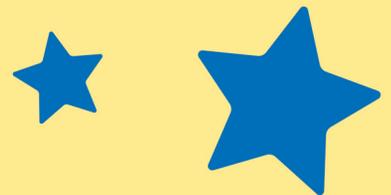
# DECEMBER 2020

Name	Age	State	County	Wish
Luvly	16	PA	Lackawanna	Shopping Spree
Mason	5	PA	Westmoreland	Play Set
James	6	WV	Kanawha	Shopping Spree
Elijah	13	WV	Kanawha	Shopping Spree
Amiyah	3	PA	Monroe	Mini Goldendoodle Puppy
Braden	9	PA	Allegheny	French Bulldog Puppy
Lucy	4	PA	Westmoreland	Backyard Makeover
Easton	5	PA	Blair	Game Room
Shiloh	12	WV	Wood	Shopping Spree
Kayleigh	9	PA	Cambria	Hot Tub
Julianna	12	PA	Pike	Christmas Party
DeZyir	3	PA	Allegheny	Christmas
Grace	3	PA	Berks	Hot Tub
Laniya	17	PA	Allegheny	Apartment Makeover
George	4	WV	Morgan	Christmas
Cole	17	WV	Boone	Hot Tub
Trent	10	PA	Juniata	Swimming Pool



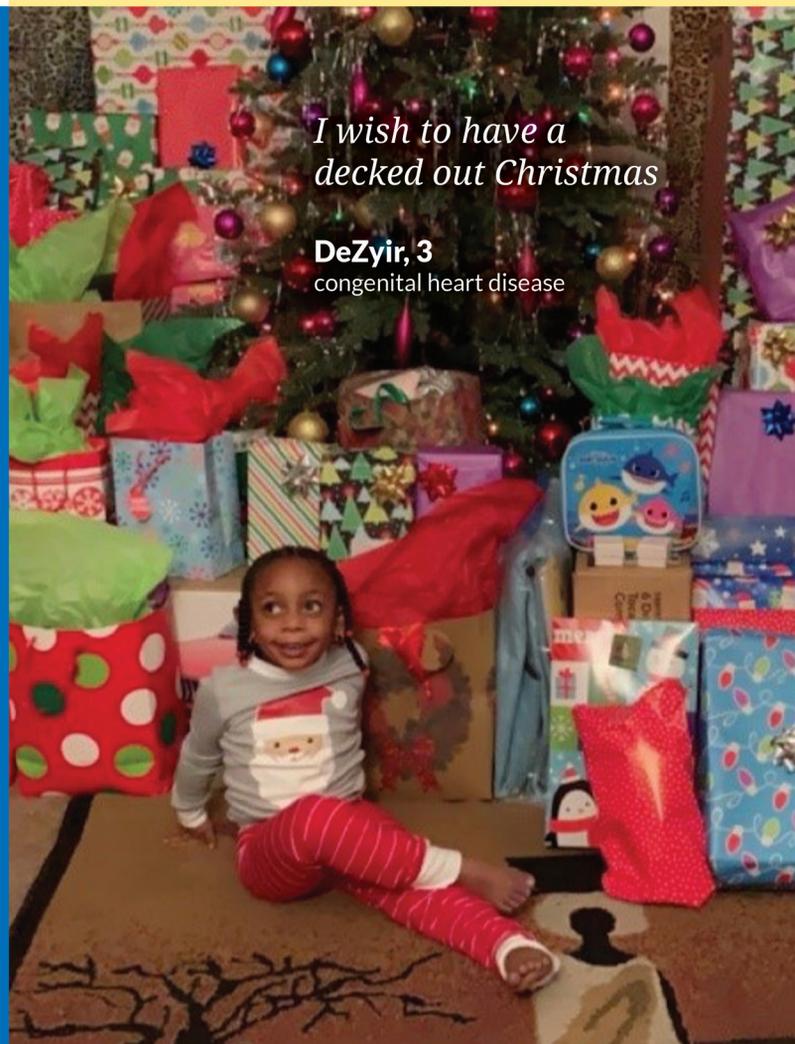
*I wish to have a shopping spree*

**Tarica, 11**  
nervous system disorder



## THANK YOU!

To all of our dedicated donors and volunteers for keeping the Make-A-Wish mission alive. Together, we create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.



*I wish to have a decked out Christmas*

**DeZyir, 3**  
congenital heart disease

# Wishes Transform Lives

## A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FROM WISH MOM SARAH BAYLOR

We received a letter from wish mom Sarah Baylor. Her daughter, Amanda, was granted her wish to go to the *Walt Disney World*® Resort in 2002. Since her wish trip, Amanda is now 22 years old and is currently working towards her career to become an astrophysicist. See what Amanda's mom said about their experience with Make-A-Wish®:

Dear Make-A-Wish,

I'm writing to give an update on my daughter, Amanda. She was diagnosed with leukemia at two years old in May of 2000 and began treatment at Hershey Medical, which lasted two and a half years. Amanda became a "wish kid" in 2002 and was granted a trip to Disney in October. We had an absolutely magical time and were so grateful you granted her wish! She endured two and a half years of chemotherapy, successfully completed her treatment and follow-up, and is now a survivor!

Amanda just graduated summa cum laude from Dickinson College with a degree in Physics. She is moving to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in a few weeks to attend grad school with a goal to earn her doctorate and become an astrophysicist. She may even go to space someday!

I want to thank Make-A-Wish, its volunteers and donors for being an important part of her life and contributing to her well-being during a very difficult part of her childhood. I hope it warms your hearts to hear a happy ending to a wish child's illness that has opened up to limitless possibilities for her adult life. Literally, the sky's the limit for this future astrophysicist! Thank you for being a part of her success and helping to shape her character. She truly knows what it means to give to and help others.

-Sarah Baylor, Wish Mom



## YOUR REFERRAL CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE.

If you know of a child between the ages of 2½ to 18, who is facing a critical illness, refer them to Make-A-Wish today. Visit [wish.org/greaterpawv/refer](http://wish.org/greaterpawv/refer) or call 800.676.9474.

# Events Make it Happen



## Punxsutawney Area High School Key Club

Pictured here are students from Punxsutawney Area High School Key Club holding their Kids For Wish Kids® certificate. During the month of December, the club raised money for wishes by selling Krispy Kreme donuts around their school.



## Fill the Forrester at Subaru of Moon Township

The employees and customers of Subaru of Moon Township Filled the Forrester during the Share the Love campaign held during the 2020 holiday season. As a Hometown Charity for Make-A-Wish, toys were collected for local wish kids and additional funds were raised to help grant life-changing wishes.

## 19th Annual Truck Convoy for Wishes

Once again, Sherri Keller organized the Annual Truck Convoy for Wishes in Gettysburg, PA—marking its 19th event. Despite all the obstacles that 2020 presented, the weekend of events included the Jerry Gordon Memorial Golf tournament, Amy's Wish/Convoy Kickoff Motorcycle Ride and the Truck Convoy. Taking place September 18-20, 2020, the three-day event brought in a whopping total of \$110,000 for wishes. Top: Sherri Keller and wish kids present their donation from the event. Bottom: Trucks lined up and ready to kick off the convoy ride.



## Complete Chiropractic Health

Complete Chiropractic Health has steadily raised money for Make-A-Wish for more than four years, hosting annual fundraising events like patient appreciation days, the Summer Parking Lot Picnic and its most popular event, Ladies Night. The staff also fundraises through their referral program – when a new patient is referred to Complete Chiropractic Health, their first co-pay is donated to Make-A-Wish.

## Eddie Merlot's

In its second year of fundraising for Make-A-Wish, Eddie Merlot's hosted Make-A-Wish Month as well as a Make-A-Wish Wine Dinner this past September.



## Waffles and Wishes Northern West Virginia

Pictured here are Make-A-Wish Northern West Virginia regional coordinator, Vanessa Zweig, director of sales at Holiday Inn in Morgantown, Krissy Locklar and Make-A-Wish Northern West Virginia regional manager Jackie Auten on the morning of the Waffles & Wishes event.



### Go Green with Make-A-Wish®

Go Green with Make-A-Wish Presented by North Hills Toyota hosted its can collection campaign in honor of America Recycles Day on November 15, 2020. The can collection took place at multiple locations throughout the Pittsburgh area on November 14th. With the support of the community, the event collected more than 800 pounds of aluminum cans.

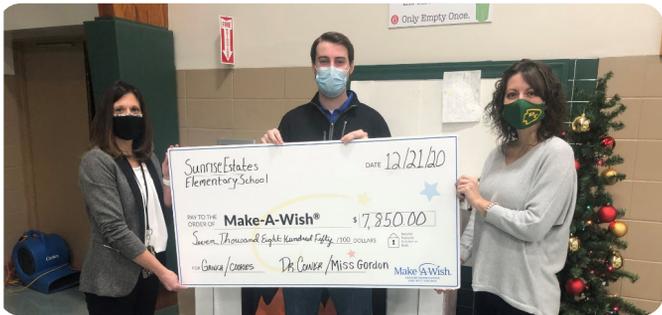
# Light Up A Child's Life® CAMPAIGN

St. Marys | DuBois | Punxsutawney

## 2020 Event Recap

Although the pandemic made hosting in-person events very challenging, our Light Up A Child's Life® campaign in the Punxsutawney area persevered. Make-A-Wish Punxsutawney Regional Manager, Lacy Bair, received many donations and lots of support during the campaign, which stretched from December 4th through the 18th.

*Check out a few of these fantastic donors from the event.*



### Sunrise Estates Elementary School

Pictured here is Sunrise Estates Elementary School teacher, Danielle Gordon, Make-A-Wish development coordinator, Jake Seavy and principal, Dr. Karen Coiner, presenting their students' donation. In December, the students hosted a Grinch week, selling Grinch notes for 50 cents and Cindy Lou Who notes for \$1 to stick on classroom doors. In addition to that event, the students also hosted a drive-thru cookie sale, selling more than 260 orders.



### ACME Machine and Welding

Representatives of ACME Machine and Welding presented its donation of \$13,672 to Regional Manager, Lacy Bair (left).

### Olympic Athletic Club

George Murray from the Olympic Athletic Club presented his club's donation of \$11,300.



### Good Orthodontics

Good Orthodontics, with offices in Mt. Lebanon, Pleasant Hills, and Washington, PA, has been supporting Make-A-Wish since 1995 – donating more than \$33,000.



### Polish Club

Robin, Lori and Becki from the Polish Club in DuBois, PA, gave their donation of \$5,400 to help grant wishes.

### Super Sub and Six Pak

Pictured here is our brand new Wishmaker®, Shawn Hoover from Super Sub and Six Pak with his donation.



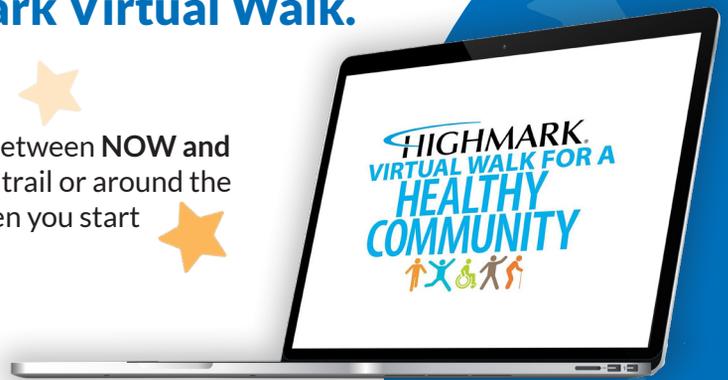
# Join us NOW until July 15th for the Walk With Make-A-Wish® - Highmark Virtual Walk.

## How does it work?

A virtual walk is a real walk, but it's on your terms. Anytime between NOW and July 15, you choose how and when you walk (treadmill, park, trail or around the neighborhood). It's your choice. You also pick the time of when you start and stop.

## Walking for Make-A-Wish is easy with these four simple steps:

1. **Register** - Sign up to walk with us on your own terms;
2. **FUN-raise** - Tell people why you are supporting Make-A-Wish and ask for their support. All registered walkers who raise or donate \$15 will receive a T-shirt while supplies last;
3. **Walk** - And make more wishes come true;
4. **Share** - Take a photo of you walking for wishes and tag us.  
(Facebook: @MakeAWishGreaterPAWV, Twitter: @MakeAWishPAWV, Instagram: @makeawishpawv)



## To register for this year's virtual walk, visit: [walkforahealthycommunity.org](http://walkforahealthycommunity.org)

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**Question: What charity is called out on everyone's birthday?**

**Answer: Make-A-Wish®!**

You can transform the life of a child on your special day by inviting your friends, family and colleagues to support Make-A-Wish on your birthday.

When you make your own wish before blowing out your candles, you'll know that you've made a difference for a child fighting a critical illness.

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Set up a fundraising page through Facebook at  
[facebook.com/pg/MakeAWishGreaterPAWV/fundraisers](https://facebook.com/pg/MakeAWishGreaterPAWV/fundraisers)

OR our Make-A-Wish platform at  
[wish.org/greaterpawv/birthday](http://wish.org/greaterpawv/birthday)

and let your friends and family show their love for you by donating to your Make-A-Wish birthday fundraiser.

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Both options are easy to use. Simply choose what's best for you!  
***Make-A-Wish: The unofficial charity of everyone's birthday***

If you would like to find out more on how to host a birthday fundraiser in honor of the amazing wish children we serve, please contact Shenell Pooran at [spooran@greaterpawv.wish.org](mailto:spooran@greaterpawv.wish.org) or at 412.471.9474.



**ADVENTURE IS CALLING.**

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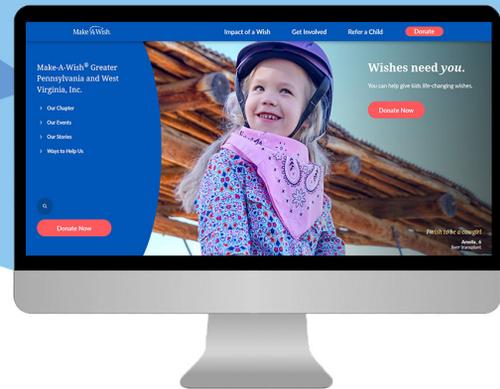
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