

Hope changes everything

Every 20 minutes, a family hears the devastating news that their child is diagnosed with a critical illness. Eighty percent of them will experience traumatic stress.

This devastating diagnosis turns their lives upside down and can impair a child's recovery, leaving them feeling hopeless. Make-A-Wish® South Carolina shines a light of hope in these dark times. In fact, many of our wish kids say their wish was a turning point in their fight to get better, and they go on to lead healthy lives.

The Make-A-Wish movement is possible thanks to committed donors, sponsors, volunteers, medical providers and local communities who restore hope through the unique power of a wish. Each day, this movement is joined by countless people like you who come together to meet an ever-growing need. Together, we replace fear with confidence, sadness with joy and anxiety with hope.



Make-A-Wish started with a 7-year-old's wish — and \$37.76

In 1980, Chris Greicius was battling leukemia and wished to be a police officer. A group of generous individuals made his wish come true and sparked a powerful movement that would transform millions of lives. Since then, Make-A-Wish has become a symbol of hope, inspiring communities across the globe.

Did you know that the majority of wish kids survive their illness?

They often credit their wish for giving them the strength they needed to recover. Research shows that wishes have proven physical and emotional benefits that can give a child better health outcomes and increase their chances for survival.

89%

of health care professionals say they believe that the wish experience can influence a child's

physical health

97%

of wish families observe increases in their wish kid's

emotional health



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4,500+ wishes have been granted in SC, but more children need hope.

For every wish we grant, there are two more children in crisis who still need the hope of a wish – and they need our support now.

Each day, more children are anxiously waiting for their wish. As long as there are children fighting devastating illnesses, our work is not done.

The Wish Journey can be an important part of the healing process. Every child deserves a childhood, so all investments in Make-A-Wish South Carolina move us closer to restoring hope for the children who need it most.

**A wish begins with hope, and hope begins with you.
Help us make every wish come true.**

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