

Spring 2019 Newsletter www.jesseswishfoundation.org

Dear Family and Friends,

We are thrilled to announce the great progress made this quarter because of your generosity! Thank you to those that used their birthday to fundraise on Facebook, and to those who signed up with PayPal on our website for monthly withdrawals. We feel very blessed you have joined us in our mission!

By no means have we arrived at our goal to continue to help children in cancer treatment. We still need YOU to make Jesse's wish come true! We are so proud to be able to carry on his legacy and truly help these children, as he started and as he always wanted to do.

This past quarter we not only were able to help the individual children you will read about below, but we were able to personally bring toys and supplies to multiple hospitals Child Life Programs; enabling the children to have choice activities and toys available to them as they spend long hours there. We have also made new connections in three different states.

With passion and perseverance the following are some of the great partnerships we made with people who share our vision.

CHOP (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia) has a 55-bed oncology unit and has provided us with a list of high need items that we were able to supply for the first time. We will continue to do more with CHOP.

Alfred I. Dupont Nemours Center in Delaware received seven gifts for their in-patient children. One of these seven recipients, precious three-year-old Emily's family is finding it difficult to make ends meet due to the innumerable unpaid insurance costs during her treatment. Jesse's Wish paid their electric bill, as well as their telephone bill, which was so appreciated and helpful to them.

Sweet seven-year-old Daniela has a cancer known as Embryonal Rhabdomyosarcoma on her liver, which it is extremely rare. Look at her sweet smile as she opened her American Girl doll Julie she requested from Jesse's Wish!

Avery, who has fought high risk Neuroblastoma, has had many complications from her cancer, including a tumor now growing in her ear canal requiring surgery. Her family was thrilled to get a supermarket gift card.

Lastly, and very near and dear to our hearts, Jesse's Wish has partnered with Ronald McDonald House in New York City. My daughter Samantha, who is on our board, will be our personal liaison. We recently supplied five families with six gifts cards each for groceries, eateries and Target.

Samantha recently met with Orlando's mom. They needed transportation assistance, so we added Uber gift cards to their package. What they have asked for is emotional support and prayer. She was so glad to meet Samantha and also to receive the book I wrote, *The Sacred Ripple*. It means so much to us to go beyond the material giving and let these families know that they are not alone in this journey.

Many of our donors have commented that they love what we are doing for these children and their families and that they are excited to join our mission. We at Jesse's Wish can't do it without you!

With love.

Marian Newell
Executive Director

DID YOU KNOW?

- Everyday 43 children are diagnosed with cancer.
- More than 40,000 kids are in treatment each year.
- In the last 20 years, only 4 cancer treatments have been specifically developed and approved for children.
- 60% of children who survive suffer long-term side effects.
- One out of eight children with cancer will not survive.







