



Summer 2019 Newsletter
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Dear Family and Friends,

As supporters of *Jesse's Wish* we THANK YOU again for doing your part! You have contributed to this great need and we can see firsthand how your donations have made summer brighter and more enjoyable for some of these children and we'd like to share them with you! For many families life does not slow down just because it's summer. They are inundated with taking their child into the hospital for long treatment days.

Zoey, an inspiring 10 year old, fighting Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma, asked for a day at a water park safari with her mom and two siblings. *Jesse's Wish* sent the admission tickets along with an Uber card to get there and a park gift card for lunch. Needless to say, they were thrilled!

Now meet Antwan. He and his mom are living at The Ronald McDonald House New York, a long way from their home, family, and friends. Antwan just had his leg removed as a result of Osteosarcoma. All he wanted was a remote control helicopter, which Samantha was able to personally deliver, while providing support and comfort to his mom. We also provided the family with several grocery, Uber, Target, and fast food gift cards.

Say hello to TJ! He's been battling leukemia since 2016. TJ loves Spiderman and enjoyed receiving the latest action figures. While his mom was so appreciative for the grocery and gas gift cards.

Jesse's Wish partnered with some other amazing non-profits this quarter. Heart's United Against Cancer, a New Jersey local organization that makes baskets filled with love, fun, and necessities to distribute to hospitals added my book, *The Sacred Ripple*, to their baskets. St. Christopher's Hospital in a low-income urban section of Philadelphia is in dire need for supplies. The oncology social worker asked us simply for coffee for the parents. We picked out about 50 toys for various ages for their empty supply closet and personally delivered them there. They will also give individual families several gift cards for local fast food restaurants.

CureSearch; a children's non-profit foundation that accelerates the search for cures for children's cancer, recently interviewed us about our 'superhero' Jesse, hoping to help bring about more awareness and information for families going through this difficult time. One of the questions was "What do you wish the general public knew about childhood cancer?" We at *Jesse's Wish*, even in a small way strive along with CureSearch to acknowledge that there remains a need for breaking down barriers, catapulting strong medical research and providing families with support. With 43 children diagnosed with cancer each day we can't slow down. We each have a part to play!

Another exciting opportunity for *Jesse's Wish* emerged from an introduction to our town magazine editor. *Jesse's Wish* Foundation will be featured as the charity in September for Childhood Cancer Awareness Month! We know that Jesse would be thrilled as he himself birthed the desire to help other children going through cancer treatment. It is our privilege to honor him and continue his legacy. We will share that article with you in our fall newsletter.

Thank you for honoring him with your love and support!

With a grateful heart,

Marian Newell
Executive Director

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