

THE FOUR MAIN WISH CATEGORIES:

MAKE-A-WISH®

MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION® OF WISCONSIN

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Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Wisconsin grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

25 years of bringing wishes to life!



WHO WE ARE

On April 29, 1980, a 7-year-old boy from Phoenix, AZ named Chris Greicius realized his lifelong wish to become a police officer. Many of those responsible for fulfilling Chris' wish wanted to do the same for other children with life-threatening medical conditions. This led to the formation of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the largest wish-granting charity in the world with 67 chapters in the United States and its territories. With the help of generous donors and nearly 25,000 volunteers, the Make-A-Wish Foundation grants a wish every 40 minutes and has granted more than 167,000 wishes in the United States since inception. The Wisconsin chapter was founded in 1984 and nearly 3,500 families statewide can attest to the power of a wish.

HOW WE HELP

A wish is a moment of joy, fantasy and laughter in the midst of a much darker time in the lives of children and their families. It allows children to stretch their imaginations, to focus on the positive when courage and hope might otherwise wane, to remain active partners in treatment and to rejoice when the wish is fulfilled.

WHO WE HELP

We grant wishes to medically-qualified children between the ages of 2 ½ and 18. One hundred percent of the children who medically qualify for our program, according to the opinions of their doctors, receive their wishes. And, thanks to our generous supporters, there has never been a waiting list for wishes in Wisconsin.

WHERE OUR MONEY GOES

Our funding comes through donations from businesses, charitable trusts, individuals, foundations and fundraisers. We DO NOT solicit for funds via telemarketing. Eighty-one cents of every dollar donated goes directly to fulfilling the wishes of children throughout the state.



Wish Granting 81%
Fundraising 11.9%
Administration 7.1%

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- Donate airline miles and/or loyalty points
- Hold your own fundraiser
- Purchase the Foundation's annual holiday cards and calendar
- Donate in Honor or Memory of loved ones
- Donate goods and services for auctions
- Volunteer to work Foundation fundraisers/in office
- Participate in workplace giving campaigns
- Attend a Make-A-Wish® fundraiser
- Serve as a wish granter and act as a liaison to wish families