

Resources for Families*

Below is a list of other organizations that may be able to assist families with a child that qualifies for a Wish or Memorial through the Wishes & More program. Please contact these organizations directly if you have questions about their services.*

***Please note that Wishes & More is not affiliated with any of these agencies or organizations. We are simply providing this list of resources of which we are aware.**

A Kid Again – A Kid Again provides year-round fun-filled adventures that allow children with life-threatening conditions to feel like A Kid Again. Adventures involve the entire family, to improve the well-being of everyone affected by the situation.

<https://akidagain.org/>

B+ Foundation – B+ Foundation gives qualified families money for expenses that are attributable to their child's cancer diagnosis. The goal of the program is to lessen the financial burden so families can focus on helping their children get well.

<https://www.bepositive.org/>

Brighter Days Grief Center – Brighter Days Family Grief Center is a “family-focused” nonprofit dedicated to grieving Minnesota families. They provide no-cost care to children, young adults, and adults who are grieving the death or terminal diagnosis of a family member through logistical, psychosocial and financial support. Brighter Days also offers Soft Landings, a free program designed to walk beside a newly bereaved family through the early days and months of deep grief, with continual touchpoints of support from a dedicated team of compassionate professionals. Additionally, Brighter Days provides grief consultations, trainings, and after-care crisis response to schools and organizations.

<https://brighterdaysgriefcenter.org/>

Caps For Kids – Caps For Kids is a national nonprofit organization that puts smiles on the faces of children with cancer by providing them with a ball cap autographed by their favorite athlete, actor, singer, or other notable person of their choice.

<https://www.capsforkids.org/>

Child Loss Foundation – The Child Loss Foundation supports parents grieving the death of a child with resources, connection, and guidance as they navigate their individual grief journey.

<https://www.childlossfoundation.org/>

Child Cancer Community – Childhood Cancer Community provides meaningful connections for families affected by childhood cancer to promote positivity and purpose throughout their journeys.
<https://childhoodcancercommunity.org/>

Cleaning For A Reason – Cleaning for a Reason provides free home cleaning to patients battling cancer. When cancer makes life at home difficult, our trusted network of residential cleaners, cleaning industry volunteers, and community volunteers come together to support cancer patients and their families.
<https://www.cleaningforareason.org/>

Compass to Care – The mission of Compass to Care is to provide a free Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) solution to access life-saving cancer treatment and clinical trials for children fighting cancer and facing poverty or cancer-related financial toxicity (CRFT).
<https://www.compasstocare.org/>

Crescent Cove – Crescent Cove offers care and support to children and young adults with a shortened life-expectancy, and to their families who love them. The Crescent Cove Respite & Hospice Home for Kids is a vibrant and joyful home-away-from-home for kids with life-threatening conditions, where each moment is embraced and celebrated.
<https://crescentcove.org/>

Crops of Luv – Crops of Luv provide wish children with beautifully crafted, one-of-a-kind scrapbooks to remember their wish trips.
<https://cropsofluv.org/>

Enduring Hearts – Enduring Hearts stands as a beacon of hope for families navigating the challenging journey of pediatric heart transplantation.
<https://enduringhearts.org/>

Fiona's Hope – Fiona's Hope spreads hope through the little comforts of home with Fiona's Hope Totes and remembering Heaven's newest angels through Fiona's Hope Memorials.
<http://www.fionashope.org/>

Grace, Inc. – Grace coordinates education for volunteers and caregivers and provides wellness programs to encourage and support those who care for children with disabilities. Grace attends to both a parent and child's non-medical needs for respite and support.
<https://www.branchinggrace.com/>

Help Me Bounce – Making it easier to help families to Bounce and Not Break, Together. Help Me Bounce provides assistance to families in crisis with critically ill or seriously injured family members. Financial assistance is paid directly to service providers to help cover monthly bills, allowing families to focus their time and support on caring for a critically ill family member.

<https://www.helpmebounce.org/>

His House Foundation (HHF) – HHF provides food, clothing, household goods, and personal products to families in need. In addition, HHF has a Housing Stabilization program that addresses economic needs and helps connect people in need with state or federal programs for which they may be eligible. In addition, they partner with other non-profits in the area and may be able to refer people in need to services they provide, such as car maintenance.

<https://www.hhfabundance.com/>

HopeKids – HopeKids provides ongoing events, activities and a powerful, unique support community for families who have a child with cancer or some other life-threatening medical condition. They surround the families they serve with the message that hope can be a powerful medicine. HopeKids are invited to free events to give them something to look forward to and give them hope for the future.

<https://www.hopekids.org/>

Icing Smiles – Icing Smiles is a nationwide nonprofit organization that delivers dream cakes at no charge to kids impacted by critical illness. (And to their siblings, too!)

<https://www.icingsmiles.org/>

Jack's Basket – Jack's Basket provides complimentary welcome baskets for families of babies diagnosed with Down syndrome.

<https://jacksbasket.org/>

Jam HOPE Foundation – Jam HOPE'S mission is to positively impact their community by providing adaptive and supportive classes for those with disabilities. By providing opportunities to experience success, they are able to build self-confident, healthy, vibrant, and productive LIFE CHAMPIONS!

<https://jamhopefoundation.org/>

Joni & Friends – Joni & Friends has committed to reaching and serving people with disabilities with practical help and the saving love of Jesus.

<https://joniandfriends.org/minnesota/>

Little Star Foundation – Little Star Foundation provides long term care and a better quality of life for children with cancer and children in need, their families, and communities, through financial assistance, education, medical support, therapeutic play, and outreach care programs.

<https://www.littlestar.org/>

Northern Lights Foundation – Northern Lights provides financial assistance to families with a child experiencing a life-threatening condition. Grants may be used at the recipient's discretion, be it medical bills, transportation, or other bills accrued during the child's treatment.

<http://northernlightsfoundation.org/>

Oracle Health Foundation – Oracle Health Foundation provides funding for children whose families cannot afford medical care, equipment, vehicle modifications, or experience displacement related to care.

<https://www.oraclehealthfoundation.org/>

PACER Center – PACER Center provides individual assistance, workshops, publications, and other resources to help families make decisions about education and other services for their child or young adult with disabilities.

<https://www.pacer.org/>

Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation – Pediatric Oncology Treasure Chest Foundation provides comfort and distraction from painful procedures to children and teens who have been diagnosed with cancer, by providing gifts from a Treasure Chest.

<https://www.treasurechest.org/>

Pohl Children's Foundation – In loving memory of Kegan, Bracken, and Mearan Pohl, the Pohl Children's Foundation provides support and services to children and families who have experienced the loss of a child or parent/caregiver, and to provide a quality-of-life experience to children with life-threatening illnesses while supporting the entire family.

<https://www.pohlchildrensfoundation.org/>

Pregnancy & Postpartum Support Minnesota – PPSM connects families to support and resources.

<https://ppsupportmn.org/>

Rebuilding Together MN – Rebuilding Together MN’s mission is repairing homes, revitalizing communities, and rebuilding lives. They serve low-income homeowners who are seniors, individuals living with disabilities, and families with children.

<https://rtmn.org/>

Ronald McDonald House – When the best treatment for a sick child is far from home, families don’t have to worry about where to stay. At a Ronald McDonald House, families can stay together, and rest and recharge to remain strong for their child.

<https://rmhc.org/>

Sadie Keller Foundation – Sadie Keller Foundation’s mission is to put a smile on the faces of children fighting cancer all over the country and remind them to keep fighting by giving them special gifts, to raise awareness for childhood cancer, and to make a HUGE impact.

<https://sadiekellerfoundation.org/>

Sing Me A Story – Sing Me A Story’s mission is to serve families in need through the imaginative stories of their children and the power of music. With the help of songwriters, music is created based on the stories of children.

<https://singmeastory.org/>

Songs of Love – The Songs of Love Foundation creates free, personalized, original songs to uplift children and teens currently facing tough medical, physical, or emotional challenges.

<https://songsoflove.org/>

Tanner’s Team Foundation – Tanner’s Team provides financial assistance to families with a child experiencing a life-threatening condition. Assistance may cover housing, transportation, and household costs incurred during their child’s care and treatment.

<https://www.tannersteam.org/>

Strong Brave Hopeful Foundation – SBH Foundation empowers kids living with epilepsy and rare neurological conditions.

<https://sbhfoundation.org/>

Team IMPACT – Team IMPACT matches children facing serious illnesses and disabilities with college sports teams, creating a long-term, life-changing experience for everyone involved.

<https://www.teamimpact.org/>

The Compassionate Friends – The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

<https://www.compassionatefriends.org/>

The Grief Club of Minnesota – The Grief Club of Minnesota is a safe haven of support, compassion, education, and hope. They provide services by licensed mental health counselors at no cost so that families can navigate grief in healthy ways.

<https://griefclubmn.org/>

The National Children's Cancer Society – The National Children's Cancer Society (NCCS) provides emotional, financial, and educational support to children with cancer, their families, and survivors.

<https://thenccs.org/>

United Healthcare Children's Foundation – UHCCF offers timely financial support to families so they can focus on what is most important – enhancing the quality of life of their child. UHCCF grants help with medical expenses not covered, or not fully covered, by a family's commercial health insurance.

<https://www.uhccf.org/>

USSA - United Special Sportsman Alliance – USSA specializes in sending critically ill and disabled youth on the FREE outdoor adventure of their dreams.

<https://childswish.org/>

Wigs for Kids – Wigs for Kids provides free whole-head hairpieces to children in Canada and the US under the age of 19 who are experiencing medical related hair loss.

<https://wigsforkids.org/>