

# **News & Updates**

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# Upcoming Activities

April 26 - May 16
Photo Campaign

May 16, 2021

12th Annual

Virtual Walk

### **About Us**

Spreading Hope Through Psychosocial Support SM

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## Support

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# Thanks to You!

Our 10th annual Item Drive, in honor of Mattie's 19th birthday, was a huge success. The Foundation is grateful to all our supporters who donated countless toiletry items to stock our <u>Snack & Item Carts</u> at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital (Washington, DC) and Children's Hospital at Sinai (Baltimore, MD). Our Carts offer free items to over **2,500 families** a year.

The Co-Founders of Mattie Miracle understand from personal experience how important it is to have access to snacks, drinks, and toiletries while caring for a child in the hospital. They received these daily gifts for 14 months from their support community. After Mattie died, the Foundation decided to continue this tradition but on a grander scale with our Carts.

Mattie Miracle's Carts are loved by both families and healthcare providers, as our Carts supported many healthcare heroes during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are honored to be able to provide psychosocial comfort and care through our Snack & Item Carts and we are grateful for the generosity of our supporters.

Thank you to our community supporters who coordinated their own item drives for the Foundation!

Kearney & Company
National Charity League - Port City Chapter

# It's Not Just About the Medicine sm



Register For The Walk



# Walk with Us

Our 12th Annual Walk is virtual again this year. This enables Mattie Miracle's message to reach far beyond our National Capital Area. Our goal is to have participation from all 50 States and 10 Countries!

Join us on May 16 (10am to noon, in your time zone) and help us turn your neighborhood **Mattie Miracle ORANGE!**Participating in our virtual walk is easy, all you have to do is WALK, SNAP, and POST from ANYWHERE!!!!

- WALK and track your steps (on May 16th, from midnight to noon in your time zone) using a step counter/activity tracker.
- SNAP photos and take videos showing your Mattie Miracle ORANGE spirit and share it on our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts. Be sure to use #MMCFWALK.
- POST a photo of you with your total step count by noon (in your time zone) to Mattie Miracle's social media accounts or email us. Remember to use the hashtag #MMCFWALK.
- The top registered walkers with the greatest number of steps will win a prize.
- Rewards for participants who raise \$1,000 or more for the Foundation.

### Top walkers have the chance to win:

- 1st Prize for kids/teens: Fitbit & 1st Prize for adults: Bose Noise Cancelling Wireless Headphones
- 2nd Prize: Fitbit Inspire 2
- 3rd Prize: \$50 Amazon Gift Card

On March 28, Mattie Miracle lost a board member and incredible supporter of the Foundation to ovarian cancer. Margy Jost will be deeply missed by her family, friends, colleagues, and the countless childhood cancer families she supported over the last 20 years. Margy understood that childhood cancer IS NOT JUST ABOUT THE MEDICINE!

Mattie Miracle is committed to keeping the legacy of this extraordinary woman alive and has created a new program in her memory called, M & M (Margy and Mattie) Wishes. M & M Wishes will offer a grant of up to \$1,000 to 10 to 15 families each year. Grants are intended to support a fun family activity, trip, or a wish list item for a child with cancer.

The M & M Wishes program will be funded from the annual Walk Team created in Margy's memory. Join the M & M Wishes walk team, and help us raise funds in memory of Margy. Over the years, Margy granted many mini-wishes to children with cancer and this new program will continue her legacy.



Margy Jost
April 13, 1951 - March 28, 2021
Childhood Cancer Advocate Extraordinaire
A Very Dear & Special Friend

**Family Grants** 

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### **Individual Sponsors**

Barbara and Don Brown Peggy and Dave Elkind Junko Funahashi and Tad Ferris Jane and Paul Pisano The Tordella Family

# **Our Walk Sponsors**

We are deeply grateful to **Kearney & Company** for being our Presenting Walk Sponsor. Our sponsors enable us get closer to our \$100,000 financial goal! A special thank you to our 12 community sponsors and five individual sponsors. Together they have contributed **\$31,750** to our financial goal!

Become a Sponsor

# \$5 Tickets

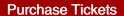
Our online raffle is open! We are featuring eight wonderful prizes this year, each valued at over \$500. All raffle proceeds go toward our fundraising goal, with 100% of the proceeds supporting our programs and initiatives. Raffle winners will be announced on Mattie Miracle's Facebook page at 12:30pm EDT on May 16th.



Items will be mailed to our raffle winners.

### Great prizes, benefiting a great cause!

- 1. Apple iPad
- 2. Collectible Lego Systems
- 3. Dine in or Around Any Town
- 4. Heard it Through the Grapevine
- 5. Money Tree
- 6. One of a Kind T-shirt Quilt
- 7. Right in Your Own Backyard
- 8. Washington Capitals Tickets





# **New This Year**

Join our **photo campaign**, now until May 16, and spread Mattie Miracle Sunshine wherever you are! It is so easy that even our dog, Sunny, did it!!!

Click on "finding Mattie Miracle" below and take a photograph with our logo, at your home, office, backyard, street, or iconic landmark. Then share it on our social media platforms or **email** it to us.

**Finding Mattie Miracle** 

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