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IMPACT MEASURED: COMMUNITY AND SUPPORT

Receiving a diagnosis of a life-threatening illness for your child can be debilitating. The subsequent search to find your new normal is confusing and difficult. The Dagelewicz family didn't join HopeKids right away. In fact, it took them months after their youngest son, Miles, was diagnosed with Langerhans cell histiocytosis.

"We thought we were cruising along on autopilot with the 'easy' treatment," said Stephanie, Miles's mom. "Then suddenly, Miles had his six-month check up scans which led to more scans and more conversations."

A nurse quietly handed Stephanie a HopeKids flyer at an appointment. Eventually, the family went to a couple of events which were provided by the kind-hearted generosity of donors.

"I'm so glad the nurse gave us the flyer," Stephanie said. "We realized we might need more support."

The Dagelewicz's first event was at a family farm, which gave Miles and older brother, Dylan, the opportunity to work with therapy horses. A few weeks later, Stephanie and Jason enjoyed a much-needed date night at an NBA game courtesy of a father and son who donated seats.

"Consider that Miles can't go to the movie theater [because of his] low immunity--but he can go to a special HopeKids-only showing," Stephanie said. "The range and offering [of HopeKids events] is broad for all abilities and interests."

To Stephanie and Jason, what may be most important is how sustainable the program is in people's lives. Her family recently met Sim, a brain tumor survivor who attends HopeKids activities frequently with his family.

"It is refreshing and inspiring," Stephanie said. "Most of all, it helps us have hope to know that others are out there, that there is a safe place for us to go, and that there is an ongoing calendar of events when we need support."



The Dagelewicz Family (L to R): Stephanie, Miles, Dylan, Juliana, and Jason



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HOPEKIDS ARIZONA PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots captured at June, July, and August HopeDay Events

- 1. HopeKid Angelita and her mom, Dalia, at AZ Ice event.
- 2. HopeKid Brendan at Brimhall Pool Party.
- 3. HopeKid Brock during a hospital visit at Phoenix Children's Hospital.
- 4. HopeKid Brooklyn with Arizona Coyotes Paw Patrol at AZ Ice event.
- 5. HopeKid Hayden at Princess Party.
- 6. HopeKid Jeremiah at the Unbreakable Showcase of Strength power lifting event.
- 7. HopeKid Jovani at Brimhall Pool Party.

- 8. HopeKid Kennedy at the Unbreakable Showcase of Strength power lifting event.
- 9. HopeKid Lilly meets the power lifter who competed in her honor during the Unbreakable Showcase of Strength.
- 10. HopeKid Seraphin, skates with her sister and mom at AZ Ice event.
- 11. HopeKid Johnathan at a Build event.
- 12. HopeKid Isabel with mom at Dierks Bentley concert in the HopeSuite.

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MEET Priscilla

15-year-old Priscilla lives her life always smiling and making new friends. She was clinically diagnosed with Costello syndrome, with an increased risk of cancer, at 22 months of age. Priscilla's favorite activity is playing baseball and she loves her Arizona Diamondbacks. Priscilla recently underwent major surgery that left her unable to move her lower half of her body from the waist down for six weeks. Despite her trials, she still always smiles.

"We [attend events] because we can have a good time filled with fun, laughter, and smiles as a family. It is a time without hospitals, doctor's visits, tests and appointments. Thank you for giving our family that HOPE!" - Michelle Lucero, HopeKids Mom





















HOPEKIDS COLORADO PHOTO ALBUM

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- HopeKid Sofia and her siblings have become the Rockies biggest fans!
- 2. Zayne gets up close with the alpacas at the Silken Suri Alpaca Ranch.
- 3. A parent date night at the Faith Hill and Tim McGraw concert is just what Heather and David needed in the midst of battling cancer with their 2-year-old son. Eli.
- 4. HopeKid Lauren and her family enjoyed a day of hope at the ranch thanks to Thrivent Financial.
- 5. HopeKids Daisy and Charlotte prove HopeKids events bring friends together through a private suite at the Denver Outlaws game.
- 6. HopeKid Joelle and her brother, Clark, perfect their golf swings at the first HopeKids Charity Golf Classic.
- 7. HopeKid Taylor ready to catch "a BIG one" at a fly fishing event at Lincoln Hills Cares.

- 8. HopeKid Malaki is thrilled to spend a day behind the scenes at Colorado National Speedway with CH9 racing.
- 9. HopeKid Urijah showed off his superpowers at Marvel Universe Live.
- 10. Fighting leukemia for the third time, HopeKid Alex is a true example of hope.
- 11. HopeKid Cooper and his family enjoy *The Lego Movie* under the stars at Red Rock Amphitheater thanks to a donation from the Denver Film Society.



Alamo Drafthouse Cinema **Allied Denver** Arapahoe Lanes Awesome Kids Who Care Bad Daddy's Burger Bar - Colorado Springs Bethel Lutheran Church CH9 Racing Colorado Rockies **Denver Community Church** Denver Film Society **Denver Outlaws** Denver Zoo DS Environmental Consulting **FELD Entertainment** Fort Fun Four Mile Historic Park Game Day Memories Golf Club at Bear Dance Kroenke Sports & Entertainment Lincoln Hills Cares Little Monkey Bizness - Colorado Springs MGA Home Healthcare Mici Handcrafted Italian Microsoft Sore - Park Meadows Nitro Circus Racers for Christ Red Rocks Credit Union Silken Suri Alpaca Ranch Sky Sox Baseball Sky Zone The Kling Family Thrivent Financial **UCHealth** Up With People











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MEET KE'VON

Ke'Von is a very enthusiastic and energetic 9-year-old boy who is in remission from acute lymphoblastic leukemia. His favorite thing to do is anything outside, especially fishing! He loves sports and spending time with his older brother Keino. Ke'Von's favorite HopeKids events have been Monster Jam and golfing at Top Golf.





















HOPEKIDS KANSAS CITY PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots captured at June, July, and August HopeDay Events

- . Audrey tries her hand at pool with an assist from the one-and-only Chick-fil-A cow.
- HopeKid Rowan steals the hearts of volunteers Hope, Bridget and Whitney at the recent Kansas City Royals baseball game.
- HopeKid Brody climbs through the foam pit at Emerald City Gym. Brody was so thankful for a day out to play, because the next day he went in for his scans. Aug. 8th marked ONE YEAR cancer-free for Brody.
- 4. HopeKid Evan hangs out poolside with his new friend, Chase, at The Springs Aquatic Center.
- 5. Azaria climbs to the top of the Monster Mountain rock wall at Emerald City Gym.
- 6. The Cain Family cheer on the Kansas City Royals.
- 7. HopeKid Charlotte and her mom, Andi, enjoy Beauty and the Beast thanks to Theatre in the Park

- 8. The Burns family attends their first HopeKids event at the Jesse James Outlaw Air Show.
- 9. HopeKid Evan, makes a special arts and crafts project at Hallmark Kaleidoscope.
- 10. HopeKids Board Member John Jacobs learns Minecraft from HopeKid Khristian at the Microsoft Overland Park store.
- 11. HopeKid Nathan works on his golf swing with his dad at TopGolf Overland Park.
- 12. Gavin meets the Oklahoma City Thunder Cheerleaders at basketball camp in Kansas City.



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"I have met so many families who are inundated with the medical world and have no time to just relax and do fun social things; to meet other families who have similar struggles and just "get it." I was always at a loss for how to help them with that aspect until you all came around and, thus I am THRILLED your incredible program now exists! I tell every family about you that may qualify whenever I meet them."

Amanda, Hospital Social Worker









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MEET JENNA

Jenna is 8 years old and just started third grade. She loves swimming, gymnastics, singing, dancing and creating YouTube videos with funny cameos of her little brother, Wes. Jenna was diagnosed with leukemia at 2.5 years old and relapsed in March 2017. The Cains had been through this before and they knew it wouldn't be easy, but this time they had a new-found support system, HopeKids Kansas City.

"In the midst of our journey, it's been hard to put us first sometimes. Having such unique experiences that are already planned and free to our family is truly priceless. HopeKids has allowed us to do things outside of the house and hospital, to meet other families who are in the midst of what we are experiencing and feeling, and in a setting where it's fun, leaving us inspired and full of hope. Battling Jenna's leukemia relapse with the support of HopeKids has been a completely different experience." - Julie, Jenna's mom





















HOPEKIDS MINNESOTA PHOTO ALBUM

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- The Olson family enjoys the Shawn Mendes concert in a private suite at the Xcel Energy Center.
- 2. HopeKid Owen enjoys *Shrek the Musical* at Stages Theatre.
- 3. HopeKid Nolan and his mom fish on Lake Mille Lacs.
- 4. HopeKid Jaeden rock climbs at Suburban Adventure Walk/Run on June 10 at Spirit of Brandtjen Farms in Lakeville, MN.
- 5. Elizabeth eyes the cotton candy during a Twins game.
- 6. HopeKid Ryan a.k.a. "Roo" practices his swing at the annual Coleberry Golf Tournament on August 7 at Edinburgh USA in Brooklyn Park, MN.
- 7. HopeKid Kevin and sister, Madi, pose with Nordy at The Hope that House Built Tyvek Time Capsule celebration.

- 8. HopeKid Christian poses with his catch thanks to Let's Go Fishing.
- 9. HopeKid Jacob and his sisters at the Lake Minnetonka Boating event.
- Patrick meets the life-sized, cardboard "Tom Lehman" at the Coleberry Golf Tournament.
- 11. Nora at Hope Rides Farm.
- 12. Madi trap shoots at Forest Lake Sportsmen's Club.

Minnesota Zoo AMG Photography KTIS **BNSF Railway Company** Minnesota Twins Hennepin Theatre Trust Game Day Memories Tickets for Kids Stages Theatre Park Tavern Skv Zone Let's Go Fishing - Eden Prairie Microsoft Store - MOA **Tradition Companies Lancer Catering** MN United Edinborough Park Hope Rides Don Berry Hilary Lunke St. Paul Saints Team RFC Race Adventures Elko Speedway Mann Theatres Canterbury Park Minnesota Wild Minnesota State Fair Minnesota Lynx U.S.S.A./Forest Lake Sportsmen's Club













MEET ROBERT

Robert is a kind and caring 6-year-old boy who loves and adores police officers and their cars. He was diagnosed with DiGeorge syndrome at almost 2 weeks old. The syndrome affects many systems in his body including, but not limited to, his immune system, respiratory system, GI system, muscular system, neurological system, his speech and much more.

"We have come to know so many families and make lifelong friends with others who understand our family's journey. Our family can enjoy events and family fun without the worries of the public and germs, or the worries of the how's."-Trista, Robert's mom.

























HOPEKIDS NORTH TEXAS PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots captured at June, July, and August HopeDay Events

- HopeKid Benjamin plays at the School's Out Waterpark event at Keller Pointe.
- 2. Victor E. Green hugs Chase at *Cars 3* private movie screening sponsored by the Dallas Stars Foundation.
- 3. HopeKid Natalie plays frisbee with her mom at the ERIC clinic prior to the Dallas Roughnecks game.
- 4. HopeKid Gabriella attends the Aquarium event with her sister just eight weeks after open heart surgery.
- 5. HopeKid Sara is enamoured with Texas Rangers player Mike Napoli during a meet and greet.
- 6. Newly-diagnosed HopeKid Reagan meets neuroblastoma survivior Cohen at Little Gym.
- 7. HopeKid Zoey and her sister, Shelby, at the *LEAP* movie pre-screening.

- 8. Parents Natalie and Chris watch the sunset during a Grapevine Lake boating event for parents who have a child diagnosed with cancer.
- 9. HopeKid Sophie enjoys her first event at Legoland Discovery Center.
- 10. The Banda family works together to create tasty recipes at Taste Buds Kitchen.
- 11. Toby plays Head Bandz with The Hulk during Donuts with Dads.



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"Now that Sophie's restrictions have been lifted, we are excited and overjoyed to be able to take both my kids out to all the events and have family time without having to worry about anything else. Thanks to HopeKids for bringing joy to her days during her stay at the hospital. The personal visits meant more than I can describe." - Sophie's mom, Norma







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MEET RUBEN

Ruben is a typical 14-year-old boy who enjoys swimming, music, and horseback riding. Ruben has several life-threatening diagnoses, including a severe form of cerebral palsy and epilepsy.

"We go to the events knowing we are not going to be the only family with a child who is "different," and knowing we are going to be with other people who understand what we are going through. It is a relief to know Ruben is able to just enjoy himself without getting stared at or whispered about as to why is he in a wheelchair or what is that tube coming from his stomach."

- Rachel, Ruben's mom





