

# Spring 2018 Colorado

## Year in Review

## **315 HopeDay Events**

our ongoing calendar of events ensures there is always something on the calendar for families to look forward to attendeees across all Colorado HopeDay events in 2017 **377** families served 212 new families enrolled in 2017

of HopeKids families agree or strongly

agree that "participation in HopeKids strengthened our family's relationship" "We love HopeKids for so many reasons, but to summarize, it's the fact that we're not alone. My oldest daughter commented how hard it is because her friends don't understand what her sister is going through. HopeKids families do. The date on a calendar of something uplifting coming up is so motivating. Meeting other families that go to the same doctors and facilities and hearing tips or sharing laughs just enlarges our family." - Stephanie, HopeKids mom

# VOLUNTEERS

donated more than 644 hours across all HopeDay and fundraising events. Arizona | Colorado | Kansas City | Minnesota | North Texas



### YOU CAN HELP FAMILIES STAY FOCUSED ON THE FUTURE.

#### **GET INVOLVED**

Interested in sharing your time as a volunteer?
Please complete a volunteer application at www.HopeKids.org/volunteer.

#### GIVE

- Have a company suite, tickets, food or other items to support our HopeDay program? Contact Howie Hutchinson at Howie@hopekids.org or 303.596.2329.
- For \$30/month you can help provide a HopeKids family with an unlimited calendar of free events for an entire year.
  Join our Hope365 monthly giving program at www.HopeKids.org/Hope365.
- Want to support HopeKids with a one-time gift? Donate online at www.HopeKids.org/donate.

















### HOPEKIDS COLORADO PHOTO ALBUM Snapshots captured at December, January, and February HopeDay Events

- When you're fighting cancer like Asher, taking time to enjoy the simple things like a day at the National Western Stock Show is just the motivation you need to keep fighting!
- 2. T.J & Zion share a little Valentine's day love at Children's Hospital Colorado.
- 3. Moms just want to have fun! We had a blast at our first HopeCommunity painting event for moms who have a child with cancer.
- 4. "When our HopeKid Ethan realized we were at his first Monster Jam event, he was so excited that he spent the entire first half shaking! I've never seen him that excited about anything before!" -Christine, Ethan's mom
- 5. Ellory is fighting acute lymphoblast leukemia for the second time. We showed our support for Ellory and all our cancer warriors during Hockey Fights Cancer Night with the Colorado Eagles.
- 6. "My son, Arik was dancing, smiling, and cheering on the Avalanche all night long. I don't know the last time he was that happy. Thank you for the awesome night." - Monica, Arik's mom
- 7. HopeKid Alexander shows his appreciation for the hours of hard work our HopeCrew volunteers put into making our Holiday Hoedown a success.



Alamo Drafthouse Cinema - Littleton & Sloan's Lake Allied Denver Amber Mackenzie Bad Daddy's Burger Bar - Colorado Springs Bank Of America **Bethel Lutheran Church** Bounce Stapleton Cart Driver **Colorado Eagles** Colorado School of Dance Colorado Symphony Cycle City Promotions CYT Front Range DaVita Kidney Čare Dave Thomas and the Dream Team **Estes Park Mountain Shop** EKS&H Feld Entertainment Flood and Peterson Game Day Memories GameWorks Gerard's Pool Hall Hard Rock Cafe Haselden Construction Kroenke Sports & Entertainment Lawson Adventure Park Little Monkey Buziness - Colorado Springs Marcia Hall Microsoft Store - Park Meadows Mall Mile High United Way Murphy's River Lodge Murphy's Resort Mutual of Omaha Bank National Western Stock Show Perficient Inc. Sky Zone - Parker Spotlight Performing Arts Center Trout Haven Resort - Estes Park University of Colorado University of Denver Up With People West Metro Fire



## Mountain Getaway

At the end of January, Mr. Pat Murphy, owner of Murphy Resort and Murphy River Lodge, hosted 42 families for our 2nd Annual Estes Park Getaway. Families enjoyed beautiful accommodations, an indoor heated pool, and music and s'mores by the campfire.

"This amazing getaway allowed our family to reconnect, get out in nature, and laugh!" - Michelle, HopeKids mom







They also enjoyed ice skating and ice fishing at Trout Haven Resort, snowshoeing, and indoor rock climbing at the Estes Park Mountain Show, and the best BBQ in town at Smokin' Dave's BBQ!



## MEET CAYSON

Cayson is a 9-year-old who loves soccer, basketball, and legos. He was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis at 5 weeks old, but that hasn't stopped him from playing nerf guns with his friends. Cayson loved going to the Denver Zoo with HopeKids where he met a penguin!

"HopeKids has given us the opportunity to do things we never would have been able to do otherwise. It has changed a portion of our daily conversation from treatments and diet to events coming up. We are very grateful!"

-Dane, Cayson's dad



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