

HopeNotes

Year 2017 Review

1,809 HopeDay Events



our ongoing calendar of events ensures there is always something on the calendar for families to look forward to

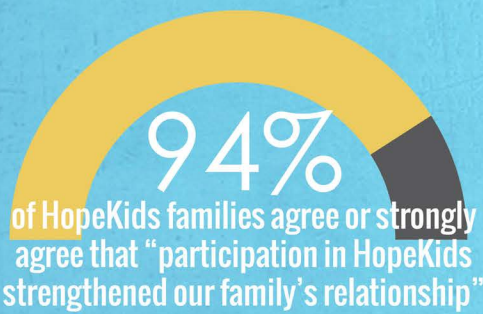
66,386



attendees across all chapters' HopeDay events in 2017

4,069

families served
971 new families enrolled in 2017



"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

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VOLUNTEERS

donated more than 8,655 hours across all HopeDay and fundraising events.



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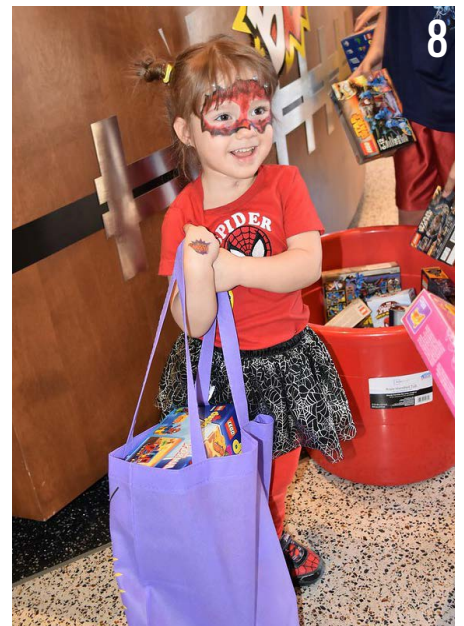
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HOPEKIDS ARIZONA PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots captured at December, January, and February HopeDay Events

1. HopeKid Jesus enjoys a snack at the HopeDay festival.
2. HopeKid Cali with a new friend at the Grand Canyon University softball/baseball clinic.
3. HopeKid Robin and sibling, Thiago, tell Santa and Mrs. Claus their Christmas wishes at the donuts with santa event.
4. HopeKid Ethan practices shooting some hoops at the Phoenix Suns fantasy camp.
5. HopeKid Amy and her dad, Brandon, enjoy Skateland.
6. HopeKid Santiago holds a baby goat at the HopeKids fun day hosted by Scottsdale Bible Church.
7. HopeKid Jared checks out the fancy cars at the DDW Cars for HopeKids car show.
8. Zozey with her goodie bag at the superhero party.
9. HopeKid Leah Ruth takes a break at the HopeKids golf clinic.
10. Parents Janet and Robert enjoy some laughs in the HopeSuite during "The Comedy Get Down."





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 North Ridge Community Church
 Pinnacle High School
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MEET ELISE

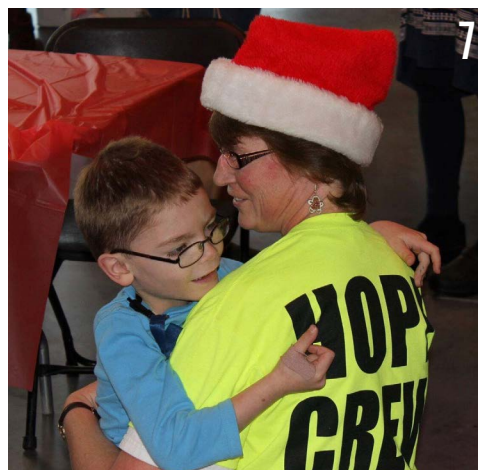
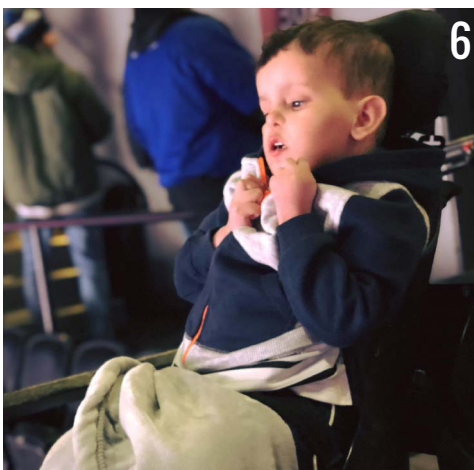
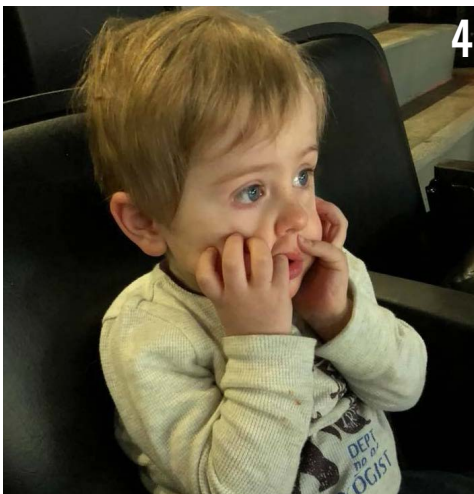
Elise is 5 years old and loves gymnastics. She was diagnosed with bilateral retinoblastoma (eye cancer) at 5 months old. Her favorite HopeKids event is Disney on Ice because she is a Disney-villain fan. In fact, last Halloween, Elise dressed up as Ursula the sea witch from "The Little Mermaid."

"We were so blessed to become a Hopekids family. The gracious donors have given our daughter reassurance that life isn't just hospital visits and doctors appointments. As parents, we enjoy meeting other parents who understand the journey of dealing with a sick child. Our days aren't always easy but knowing that a fun event is on the horizon gives us hope to keep pushing forward." - Janet, Elise's mom



HOPEKIDS COLORADO PHOTO ALBUM

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1. 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.

SPECIAL THANKS
TO OUR
HOPE DAY PARTNERS

- Alamo Draffhouse 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 Care
- 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!

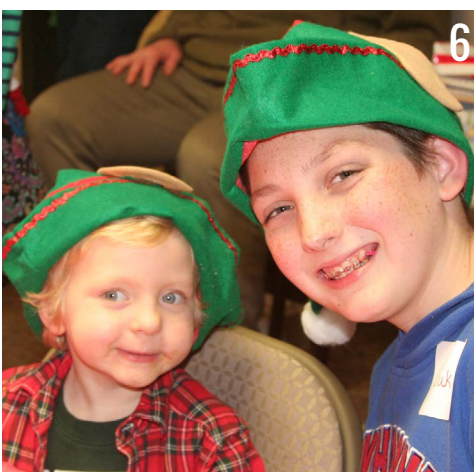
"HopeKids has given us the opportunity to do things we never would have been able to do otherwise. It has changed a portion of our daily conversation from treatments and diet to events coming up. We are very grateful!"

-Dane, Cayson's dad



HOPEKIDS KANSAS CITY PHOTO ALBUM

Snapshots captured at December, January, and February HopeDay Events



1. HopeKid Karis tells Santa her Christmas wish thanks to Dave & Buster's at The Legends.

2. HopeKid Rowan meets Michael Rooker at Planet Comicon and shows him his Mario character made out of balloons.

3. HopeKid Joe and his family pose at TopGolf Overland Park. We are so thankful for this special event partner who hosts our HopeKids every month!

4. HopeKid Brody and his mom, Amanda, climb the rock wall at RoKC.

5. HopeKid Hudson and his brother, Holt, pose with Eric Siley of Self-Defense Global during a special VIP karate event at LEGOLAND Discovery Center. Hudson was Kansas City's very first HopeKid.

6. HopeKid Brendan met a new friend, Luke, at the Refuge Church Christmas party. Each HopeKid and sibling received a special Christmas gift thanks to the congregation.

7. HopeKid Nathan enjoyed cheering on the KC Comets soccer team in a private suite thanks to the generosity of ENT Associates of Greater Kansas City. They even surprised him by having the KC Comets Girls drop by for a visit!

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HOPE DAY PARTNER

- Shoal Creek Community Church
- Sky Zone- Shawnee, KS
- Sporting Kansas City
- The Victory Project
- Silverstein Eye Centers Arena
- Noah's Event Venue
- Bibbidi KC
- Emerald City Gym
- Kansas City Mavericks
- Heritage Biologics
- SEALIFE Aquarium Kansas City
- Microsoft Store Oak Park Mall
- Dave & Buster's at The Legends
- Refuge Church
- Kansas City Chiefs
- Jurassic Quest
- Wonderscope Children's Museum
- Overland Park Rotary
- Mission Bowl
- TopGolf Overland Park
- AMC The Legends
- Rink Ratz
- Science City at Union Station
- RoKC
- Kansas City Comets
- ENT Associates of Greater Kansas City
- Arvest Bank Theatre at The Midland
- Lunar Bowl
- LEGOLAND Discovery Center, Kansas City
- Merlin's Magic Wand Charity
- Planet Comicon
- Self-Defense Global Kansas City

365 Days of Hope

On March 1st, HopeKids Kansas City celebrated its first anniversary! LEGOLAND opened its new Ninjago Experience early, just for us. We took a self-defense class and, of course, played with legos. We are so grateful for our event partners, donors, and volunteers for making our first year a success!



MEET HUDSON

Hudson is 6 years old and loves playing basketball and baseball. On the weekends, you can find him riding his horse at the rodeo. He was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, but has no evidence of disease now! Hudson was Kansas City's very first HopeKid. After a year of being a part of HopeKids, we asked his parents what HopeKids has meant to them.

"Having HopeKids this past year meant our family got to attend our very first Sporting KC soccer game, attend a private, VIP event at LEGOLAND, and so many other wonderful opportunities that would have never been available to us without HopeKids. Regardless of the event or location, we are treated like VIPs. We have loved getting out more and doing fun things together as a family."

- Casie, Hudson's mom



HOPEKIDS MINNESOTA PHOTO ALBUM

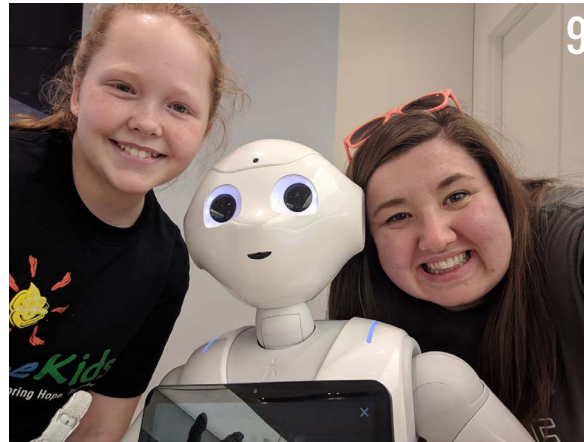
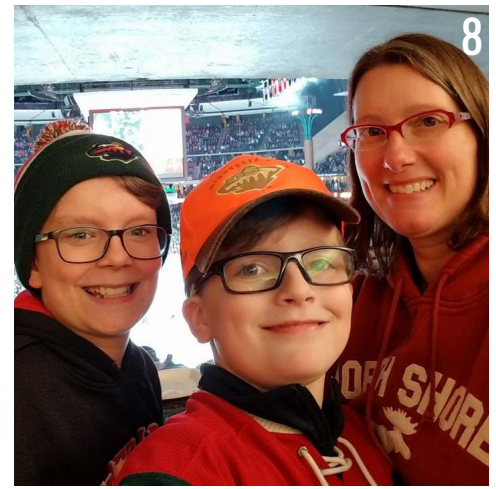
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1. HopeKid Kylie and her family enjoy the game in a donated suite from the Minnesota Wild.
 2. HopeKid Ava poses during the Daniel Tiger Neighborhood live at the State Theatre.
 3. The Broder family ice fishes at Crystal Lake in Burnsville thanks to Simply Outdoor Experiences.
 4. Isabelle and her mom enjoy the Gopher women gymnastics meet.
 5. HopeKid Claire and her family take a break from bouncing at Sky Zone.
 6. HopeKids with Adam Thielen, wide receiver for the Vikings, at the Mall of America Microsoft Store.
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7. HopeKids help record a song at IPR.
 8. HopeKid Max and his family cheer on the Wild in the HopeSuite at Xcel Energy Center.
 9. Makayla and her mom explore new things at STEM night at the Mall of America Microsoft Store.
 10. HopeKids imagine hope during the Imagine Dragons concert in our HopeSuite at Xcel Energy Center.
 11. HopeKid Emma and her dad are ready to see "Sister Act" at Chanhassen Dinner Theatre.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HOPE DAY PARTNERS

- Hennepin Theatre Trust
- Mann Theatres
- Minnesota Wild
- Minnesota Timberwolves
- Microsoft Store at the Mall of America
- JSAW
- HyVee
- Zuhrah Shrine Circus
- KTIS
- Wolcyn Tree Farms & Nursery
- Tradition Wealth Management
- Tradition Capital Bank
- Tradition Mortgage
- Children's Theatre Company
- The Blizzard Foundation
- Tickets for Kids
- Chanhasen Dinner Theatre
- Minnesota Gophers
- Sky Zone
- IPR (Institute of Production & Recording)
- Stages Theatre
- Minnesota Twins
- Allied Integrated Marketing
- Buck Hill
- Simply Outdoor Experiences
- Northrop



MEET KELLIE

Kellie is 13-year-old "girly girl" who was born with mitochondrial disorder. She loves listening to music which brings her comfort when undergoing procedures or during hospital stays. Kellie is very social and loves taking pictures of the HopeKids events she attends to school to show her classmates.

"This organization has helped bring our family together. We spent so much of our lives apart and in hospitals. HopeKids has been a godsend for us. We could never afford to attend these events with our whole family and her PCA. She can hardly wait to see what we get to do next."

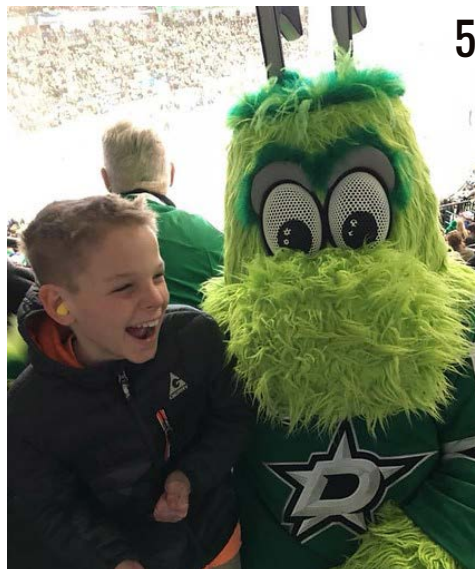
- Rebecca, Kellie's mom

HOPEKIDS NORTH TEXAS PHOTO ALBUM

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February HopeDay Events



1. HopeKid Kennedy celebrated her 15th birthday with her very first manicure and pedicure at the Princess Day Spa event.
2. HopeKids parents learn to make sushi at the Taste Buds Kitchen date night.



3. HopeKid Sanaa and her sister hang out with a contestant at the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo.
4. MaryKate snaps a picture with her furry friend at ShangriLlama.
5. HopeKid Chase shares a laugh with Victor E. Green at a Dallas Stars game.



6. HopeKid Dani and her family take a walk with a miniature horse at Minis and Friends of North Texas.
7. HopeKid David and his mom cheer on the Dallas Mavericks.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HOPE DAY PARTNERS

Alamo Drafthouse Cinemas
 Algie Seat
 Allied Integrated Marketing
 Armed Forces Bowl
 Artisan Center Theater
 AT&T Performing Arts Center
 Avant Chamber Ballet
 Bricks & Minifigs
 Cancer Support Community
 Dallas Children's Theater
 Dallas Mavericks Foundation
 Dallas Stars Foundation
 Family Music Theatre
 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo
 Good Shepherd Episcopal Church & School
 Insuperity
 Jurassic Quest

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 Medieval Times
 Microsoft - Dallas
 Microsoft - Frisco
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 Nasher Sculpture Center
 NOAH'S Fairview
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 Lone Star Brahmas
 Paws for Reflection Ranch
 Plano Children's Theatre
 Princess Day Spa
 Professional Bull Riders, LLC
 ShangriLlama
 Taste Buds Kitchen
 Texans Credit Union
 Texas Ballet Theater
 Texas Legends
 The Little Gym
 Tuzer Ballet



"We had a great time last night! Thank you for the tickets. Jacob and I had just returned from a three week hospital trip in Philly, and my husband flew out on a business trip that very day, so we did not get to see him. Our labs showed that Jacob is now in congestive heart failure. My husband returned home and drove straight from the airport to meet us at the game. It was our first reunion in a month and we were so excited to be there. This was a bright ray of sunshine in a rather rough week."

- Lori, Jacob's mom



MEET CALEB

Caleb was diagnosed with rhabdomyosarcoma at age 8 and then relapsed at age 12. Now that he is in remission, he is looking forward to going back to school, playing basketball, and volunteering with his church.

"Being able to get out of the house has been awesome. Having the opportunity to meet others, outside of the hospital, who are going through similar situations is icing on the cake. We are grateful for HopeKids and the event partners for giving us and other families the opportunity to breathe."

- Antwanette, Caleb's mom