

Make-A-Wish Greater Bay Area

*I wish to go to the
zoo to meet red
pandas*

James, 10
cancer

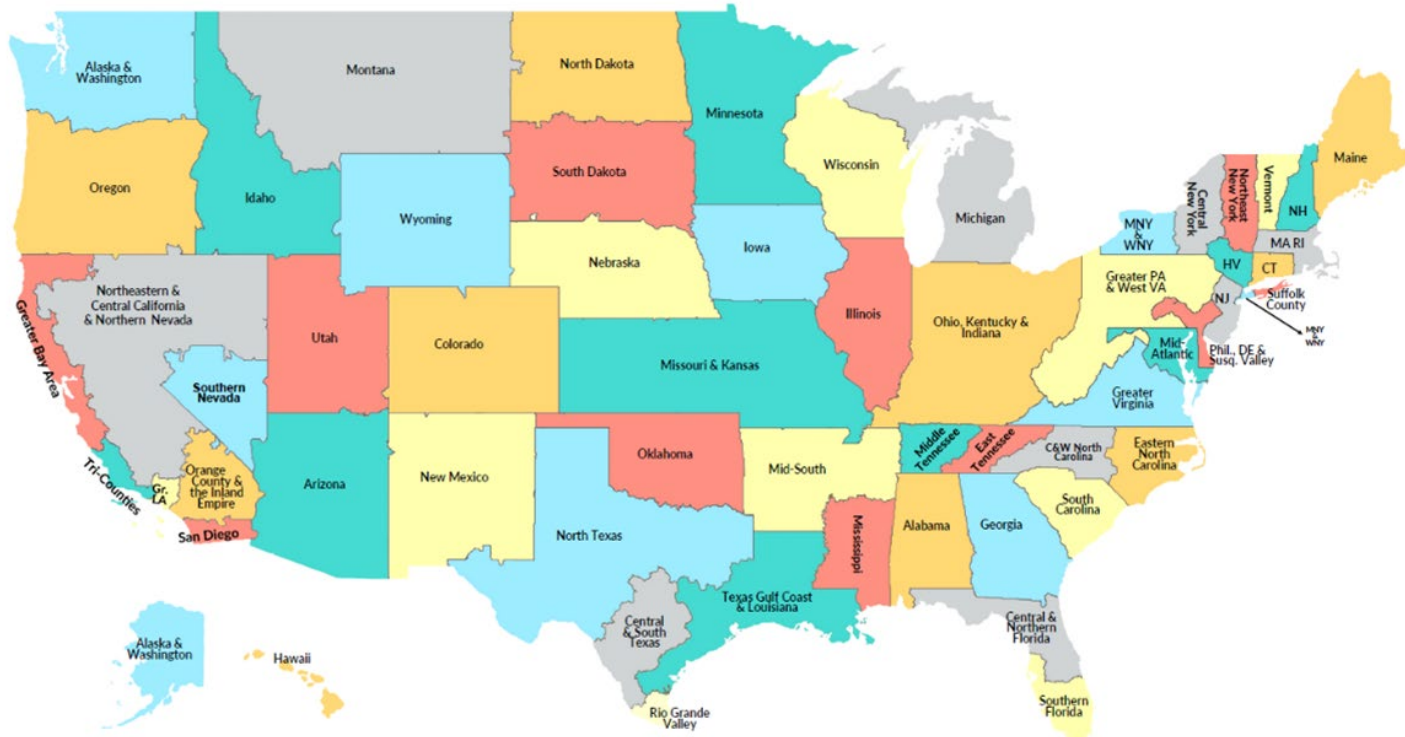




OUR MISSION

Together, we create *life-changing* wishes for children with critical illnesses.

Our Chapter Locations



Puerto Rico and Guam & CNMI are not pictured. Southern Florida chapter includes U.S. Virgin Islands

Our territory



We granted 274 wishes in FY21. To ensure every eligible child receives a wish, we hope to grant 322 wishes by this time next year.

Why Wishes Matter

Wishes provide what medicine cannot – **extraordinary and memorable experiences** that make an illness the least of a child's worries, while a sense of normalcy comes into focus.

When a wish is granted, a child replaces:

FEAR WITH **CONFIDENCE**

SADNESS WITH **JOY**

ANXIETY WITH **HOPE**

I wish to have a gray and white kitten

Aryana, 11
cancer



Why A Wish?



98%

of **medical providers** said they have observed that the wish experience helps **relieve families from traumatic stress** related to their child's critical illness.



87%

of wish alumni said their wish gave them **strength to fight** their critical illness.



90%

of medical providers said a wish increases a child's **compliance with treatment**.



95%

of parents said they saw their child's **emotional well-being** improve through the wish experience.



92%

of wish alumni said the wish experience **brought their family closer together**.



94%

of wish alumni said that their wish made them feel more **joyful, confident** and **hopeful for their future**.

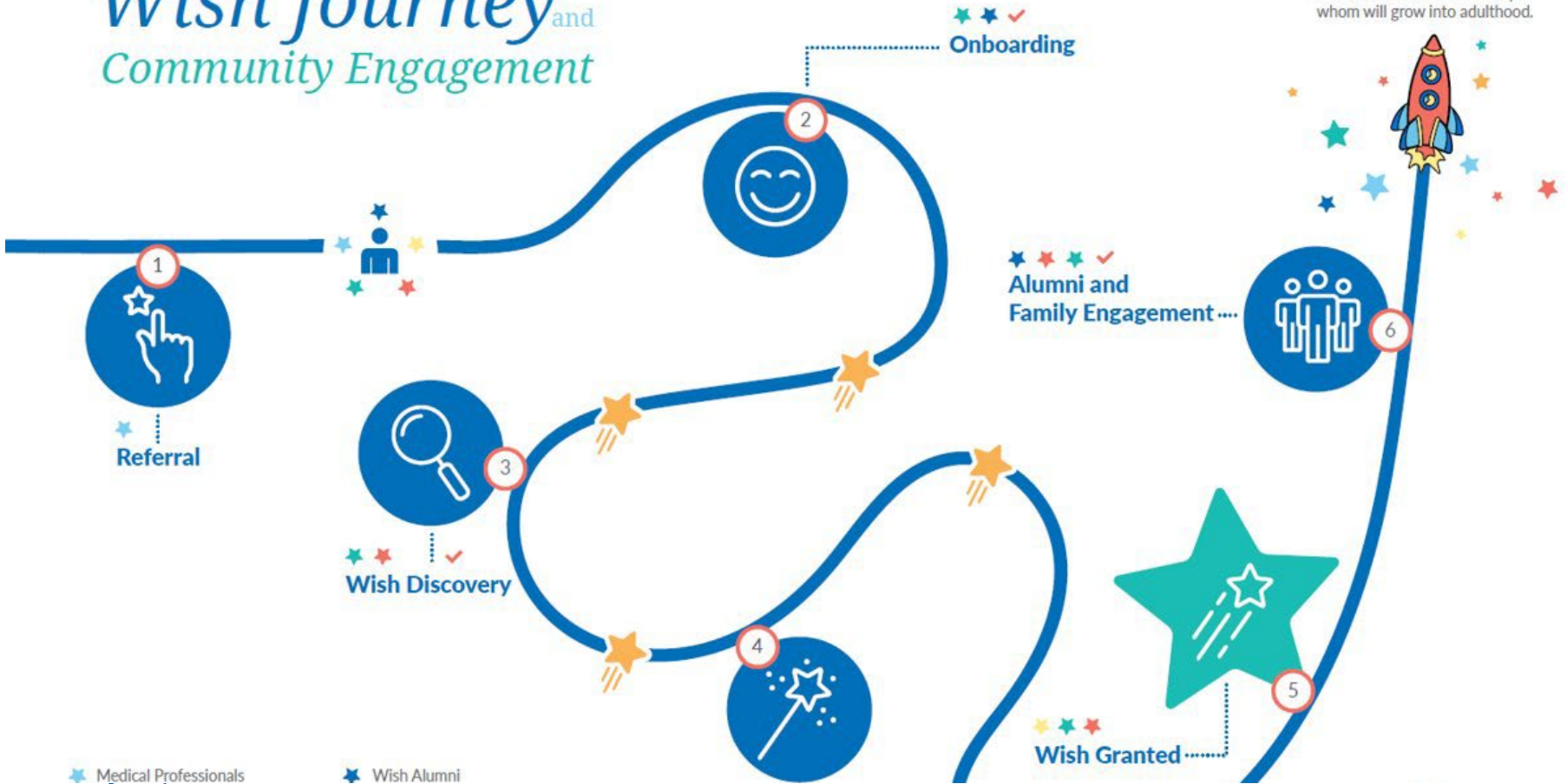


Perception Challenges

Common misconceptions can pose obstacles to support for Make-A-Wish.



Wish Journey and Community Engagement



A transformed life, off to change the lives of other children - many of whom will grow into adulthood.

★ ★ ✓
Onboarding

★ ★ ★ ✓
Alumni and Family Engagement....

★ ★ ★
Wish Granted.....

Ways You Can Help



Volunteer

Wish Granting—Adults are invited to attend our training sessions to become a wish granter and be part of making a wish come true.

Events Volunteering—At Make-A-Wish events, we have opportunities for adults and those under 18.

Office Volunteering—Spend a few hours each week working in our chapter office.

Attend a Fundraising Event

From extravagant galas to family-friendly 5K walks, we host several annual events to suit any taste.



Host an Event

Anyone can host an event to benefit Make-A-Wish. Movie nights, golf tournaments or holiday parties are just a few examples, and our team can provide ideas and materials to support you!

Join a Committee

Committee members help us plan our major events, including developing corporate sponsorships, securing auction and raffle items, finding new ways for our events to grow and more.

High School/College Student Opportunities

Our Youth Board is a program for students aged 13-18 who want to become Make-A-Wish ambassadors among their peers. For college-age students, we offer internship opportunities and seasonal positions.

Kids for Wish Kids® (KFWK)

KFWK helps students discover philanthropy by creating and managing their own fundraising project from start to finish.

Involve Your Company

Corporate engagement opportunities include event sponsorships, group volunteering, cause marketing campaigns, airline mile drives, and our Adopt-A-Wish program. Additionally, many companies match employees' contributions, sometimes dollar-for-dollar or more! Ask about your company's giving policies.

Become a Wish Resource

We are often in need of volunteer photographers, videographers, makeup artists, costume designers, etc. to help make each wish unique and magical!

Donate Airline Miles

Over 70% of our wishes involve airline travel, and your unused airline miles can send children on their wishes! Once donated, airline miles never expire and have no blackout dates.

Donate Your Vehicle

Your unwanted car or boat can help grant wishes. Your vehicle, running or not, will be picked up at your convenience and at no cost to you. Donations are tax deductible. Call (855) 622-9474.



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It's a great way to read about the wishes we're granting, the events we're hosting, and even more ways you can stay involved with Make-A-Wish.

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-  instagram.com/MakeAWishSF
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Wish Spotlight:

Penny's wish for a Doc McStuffin's Inspired Playhouse



[Click here to view Penny's sweet and inspiring wish story](#)



Thank You!

Questions?