



## The Children's Heart Foundation™ E-newsletter

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### Upcoming Events

#### September 12: [Conway Farms Golf Outing](#)

Lake Forest, IL  
Join us for CHF's 17th annual golf outing at Conway Farms in Lake Forest! The outing is followed by cocktails and dinner, with awards, and a live and silent auction. Register for the event [here](#). Not a golfer? Join us for dinner!

#### September 17: [Keep the Beat](#)

Philadelphia, PA  
Join the CHF PA Chapter for their Annual Keep the Beat event. Tickets are \$35 per person in advance, and \$40 at the door. Ticket price includes a full buffet dinner, dessert, drinks, dancing, door prizes, raffles, and more! Register [here](#).

#### September 17: [Albuquerque Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Albuquerque, NM

#### September 17: [Rocky Mountain Congenital Heart](#)

## Fall Congenital Heart Walk Season

Join us this fall as we walk to honor and remember the millions impacted by Congenital Heart Defects by participating in a Congenital Heart Walk! The Congenital Heart Walk (CHW) is a joint effort between CHF and the Adult Congenital Heart Association; funds raised by the walks are split between the organizations.

This month, the CHW is coming to seven cities across the country. The September walk locations are listed below:

#### September 17th:

- [Albuquerque](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Albuquerque, NM)
- [Northern Ohio](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Cleveland, OH)
- [Portland Metro](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Portland, OR)
- [Rocky Mountain](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Aurora, CO)

#### September 18th:

- [Orange County](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Orange, CA)

#### September 24th:

- [Southeast Michigan](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Troy, MI)

#### September 25th:

- [Central Ohio](#) Congenital Heart Walk (Westerville, OH)

See more upcoming CHWs on the [website](#). Don't see a walk in your area? Participate in a virtual CHW! The [Virtual Walk](#) is designed to give those who live in areas where the Congenital Heart Walk has not yet reached a chance to support CHD research and programs in their communities. A virtual walk can be held anytime throughout the year, and allows you to decide when, where, and how you will walk to fight CHD!

[Walk](#)

Aurora, CO

**September 17:** [Northern Ohio Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Cleveland, OH

**September 17:** [Portland Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Portland, OR

**September 18:** [Orange County Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Orange, CO

**September 19:** [Swing from the Heart](#)

Northport, NY

Financial Equities is proud present the 3rd Annual Golf Outing "Swing from the Heart" benefiting the CHF New York Chapter! Register for the event [here](#).

**September 24:** [Southeast Michigan Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Troy, MI

**September 24:** ["Hole" Lot of Heart Golf Outing](#)

Chippewa, PA

Join the CHF PA Chapter for the first annual "Hole" Lot of Heart Golf Outing. Cost is \$90 per golfer which includes breakfast, lunch at the halfway house and dinner immediately following golf. Register [here](#).

**September 24:** [The Beat Goes On](#)

Lititz, PA

Join the CHF Pennsylvania Chapter for their annual Kids Carnival event! RSVP to the event [here](#).

**September 25:** [Wine Rides](#)

Dayton, OR

Join the Oregon Chapter for one of the popular annual wine rides, featuring quiet, rural roads, acclaimed wineries and beautiful wine country. Register [here](#).

**September 25:** [Central Ohio Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Westerville, OH

**October 1:** [Greater](#)



## "Why Fighting CHD Matters"

In an article, called [Why Fighting CHD Matters](#), written by Lexi Behrndt, the mother of a child who was born with a Congenital Heart Defect (CHD), she discusses the importance of spreading awareness and funding life-saving research.

*"We were told he would not make it countless times on his first day of life. But you know what? Because of the people who have dedicated their lives to research, and the people who have stuck their necks out there and raised awareness and raised funds, and the advancements that have been done in the world of congenital heart disease as a result, my son lived that day.*

*I was thankful for those who had raised awareness in the past, and I was thankful for all of those who had donated for the cause of research, and I was thankful that we were some of the lucky ones- the ones whose child made it. It wasn't until Charlie's death six and a half months later that I realized...there is more work to be done.*

*We need people. We need funds. We need research."*

CHD research is critical to creating advancements in diagnosing, treating, and preventing CHDs. That is why The Children's Heart Foundation is dedicated to funding the most promising CHD research.

Since 1996, CHF has funded over \$8.4 million of life-saving research. To see the research projects CHF has funded over the years, [click here](#).

Cincinnati Congenital Heart Walk

Cincinnati, OH

**October 1: Minnesota Congenital Heart Walk**

Plymouth, MN



The Children's Heart Foundation (CHF) is the nation's leading organization solely committed to funding Congenital Heart Defect (CHD) research.

CHF's mission is to fund the most promising research to advance the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of CHDs. Our goal is to bring health, hope, and happiness to children and families impacted by CHDs.

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