



## Funding Children's Heart Research 30 Years



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# SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL

Cleveland Congenital Heart Walk Sponsorship September 12, 2026 Wade Oval – Cleveland, OH

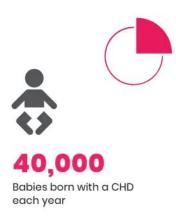
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### **About CHD and CHF**

### Congenital Heart Defects and The Children's Heart Foundation

Congenital heart defects (CHDs) are problems with the heart's structure or function, present at birth. CHDs are the most common birth defect in the U.S., affecting nearly 1 in every 110 births (or a child born every 15 minutes) and are the leading cause of birth defect-related deaths. There are no cures for CHDs.



25%

Percentage of babies born with a CHD who will need surgery or other interventions in their first year of life to survive

2-3

Million

Children & adults living with CHDs in the U.S.



37.5%

Decrease in death rates from CHDs in the U.S. since 1999 thanks to medical advancements

The Children's Heart Foundation is the leading organization solely dedicated to CHD research funding. Our mission is to advance the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of CHDs by funding the most promising research. Since 1996, the Foundation has funded nearly \$20 million of CHD research and scientific collaborations.

Our research funding spans:

Independentlyfunded research grants Joint funding
with the
American Heart
Association

Multi-network data sharing and benchmarking

with Cardiac Networks United CHD research fellowship

with American Academy of Pediatrics

Funded research has helped to dramatically increase survival, longevity and quality of life for patients who face a CHD diagnosis. Critical breakthroughs from funded research have included improved diagnostics and imaging, groundbreaking procedures and in utero interventions, device development, laboratory launch, life-saving treatments, and more. Research funding has helped reduce death rates 37.5% since 1999, and with increased survival, an estimated 2 to 3 million Americans are now living with CHDs.









# **About Congenital Heart Walks**

### Transform Lives Through the Congenital Heart Walk Series

The Congenital Heart Walks are the premier fundraising walk series dedicated exclusively to congenital heart defect research. With 33 walks held annually around the country, our growing platform unites thousands of supporters across the country with one powerful mission: advancing breakthrough treatments for Heart Warriors.

Our vibrant, community-driven events are orchestrated by dedicated volunteers and bring together families, medical professionals, and corporate partners in a celebration of hope and progress. Every dollar raised directly funds vital CHD research, honoring both the heart warriors fighting this battle and the angels who left us too soon.

### Partner Benefits:

- •Multi-platform visibility before, during, and after events
- •Sponsorship acknowledgement in emails, social media, walk website, inclusion on t-shirts and signage, and more!
- •Meaningful engagement with the CHD community
- •Ability to customize sponsorship levels for unique activations
- Team-building opportunities for your employees
- Direct impact on life-changing research

Join our community of corporate and community champions. Your partnership will help drive the next generation of medical breakthroughs, extending and improving the lives of Heart Warriors nationwide.

### About the Event:

The Congenital Heart Walk is a meaningful gathering to support families affected by congenital heart defects. Join us for a day filled with hope, unity, and a shared commitment to making a difference.

### **Event Highlights:**

- Walk for a Cause: Take part in a walk to raise awareness and funds for congenital heart research.
- Family-Friendly Activities: Enjoy a memorable day filled with exciting activities for all ages! Highlights include music, special guest appearances, face painting, balloon artists, crafts, and more. There's something for everyone!
- Heart Heroes Recognition: Celebrate heart warriors, remember heart angels, and support individuals and families who inspire us with their resilience.









# Presenting Sponsor | \$25,000 – SOLD (Cleveland Clinic Children's)

### **Event Activation**

- Company naming opportunity as Congenital Heart Walk Signature Sponsor presented by [Company Name]
- Two tents provided at Mission Village with Signature branded banner
- Prominent placement in the event village, ensuring maximum visibility and foot traffic
- Business-branded bibs for walkers
- Radio Advertising
- Opportunities for sponsors to provide content or participate in interviews with media partners (if media coverage is secured).
- Speaking opportunity during the program
- Sponsor Highlight in Post-Walk Video

### Email Blast Exposure and Communications

- Email communication to constituents to include company recognition as a Presenting sponsor in all regular communications.
- Press release recognizing your business partnership for the Congenital Heart Walk

### Logo Engagement

- Company name on Billboard (if billboard is secured).
- Logo on all event day of signage
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts (Largest logo on the shirts)
- Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL
- Logo included on official event collateral pieces, including save-the-dates, an invitation, or rack cards
- Logo on track sign on walk path
- Five (5) SMS Text to constituents announcing the sponsorship partnership

### Social Media Recognition

- Five company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business
- Two (2) company post on the CHF Twitter page acknowledging the partnership

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up 10 days before the event)
- Registration for ten (10) company employees
- Opportunity to have a Walk kickoff at your company office to engage employees in the CHD "walk for one more heartbeat"
- Receive ten (10) event custom t-shirts
- VIP Parking for 3 vehicles







# **Supporting Sponsor | \$15,000**

### **Event Activation**

- Tent provided at Mission Village with Signature branded banner
- Business-branded bibs for walkers along with presenting sponsor
- Verbal recognition during the opening ceremony
- Speaking opportunity during the program
- Radio Advertising (if secured)
- Sponsor Highlight in Post-Walk Video

### **Email Blast Exposure and Communications**

- Email communication to constituents to include company recognition
- Press release recognizing your business partnership for the Congenital Heart Walk

### Logo Engagement

- Logo on all event day of signage
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts
- · Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL
- Logo included on official event collateral pieces, including save-the-dates, an invitation, or rack cards
- Five (4) SMS Text to constituents announcing the sponsorship partnership

### Social Media Recognition

- Four company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business
- Two (2) company post on the CHF Twitter page acknowledging the partnership

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up 10 days before the event)
- Registration for ten (10) company employees
- Opportunity to have a Walk kickoff at your company office to engage employees in the CHD "walk for one more heartbeat"
- Receive ten (10) event custom t-shirts
- VIP Parking for two vehicles







# Gold Sponsor | \$10,000

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition during the opening ceremony
- Tent provided at Mission Village with 4-ft branded banner
- Sponsor Highlight in Post-Walk Video

### Email Blast Exposure and Communications

- Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor in all regular communications.
- Press release recognizing your business partnership for the Congenital Heart Walk

### Logo Engagement

- Logo on sponsor thank you banner
- · Logo on the back of event t-shirts
- · Logo featured on the event website with the link to the desired URL
- Three (3) SMS Text to constituents announcing the sponsorship partnership

### Social Media Recognition

- Five company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business
- Two (2) company posts on the CHF Twitter page acknowledging the partnership

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up ten days before the event)
- · Registration for five company employees
- Receive five (5) event custom t-shirts
- VIP Parking for one vehicle







# Silver Sponsor | \$7,500

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition during the opening ceremony
- Tent provided at Mission Village

### Email Blast Exposure and Communications

- Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor in all regular communications.
- Press release recognizing your business partnership for the Congenital Heart Walk

### Logo Engagement

- Logo on sponsor thank you banner
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts
- Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL
- One (1) SMS Text to constituents announcing the sponsorship partnership

### Social Media Recognition

- Five company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business
- Two (2) company posts on the CHF Twitter page acknowledging the partnership

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up ten days prior to the event)
- Registration for four (4) company employees
- Receive three (3) event custom t-shirts







# **Bronze Sponsor | \$5,000**

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition
- Space provided at Mission Village to bring your own branded tent (CHF will provide a table and two chairs)

### Email Blast Exposure and Communications

- Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor in all regular communications.
- Press release recognizing your business partnership for the Congenital Heart Walk

### Logo Engagement

- Business logo displayed on sponsorship Thank You banner
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts
- · Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL

### Social Media Recognition

- Five company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business
- Two (2) company posts on the CHF Twitter page acknowledging the partnership

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up ten days before the event)
- Registration for two (2) company employees







# **Auction Sponsor | \$3,000**

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition
- Space provided at Mission Village to bring your own branded tent (CHF will provide a table and two chairs)

### **Email Blast Exposure and Communications**

• Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor in all regular communications.

### Logo Engagement

- Business logo displayed on sponsorship Thank You banner
- Text the back of event t-shirts
- Recognition as the Auction Sponsor on the online auction platform
- Signage displayed at the auction table on Walk Day
- Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL

### Social Media Recognition

 Company-featured posts on The Children's Heart Foundation event pages, including the company logo and tag your business

- Opportunity to include promotional items in swag bags (to be picked up ten days before the event)
- Registration for two (2) company employees









# Peace and Memorial Sponsorship | \$2,500

### **Benefits**

- Business logo on CHW website
- Verbal recognition during the Opening Ceremony
- Branded track sign at the entrance of the Remembrance Tent
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts









# Heartbeat Hero Sponsor | \$2,500

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition during the opening ceremony
- Space provided at Mission Village to bring your own branded tent

### **Email Blast Exposure and Communications**

 Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor a Pre and Post Email communication

### Logo Engagement

- Logo on Thank you banner
- Logo on the back of event t-shirts
- · Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL









# **Heart Booster Sponsor | \$1,500**

### **Event Activation**

- Verbal recognition during the opening ceremony
- Space provided at Mission Village to bring your own branded tent

### **Email Blast Exposure and Communications**

 Email blast to include company recognition as event sponsor a Pre and Post Email communication

### Logo Engagement

- Logo on Thank you banner
- Text of business name on the back of event t-shirts
- Logo featured on the event website with the ink to the desired URL







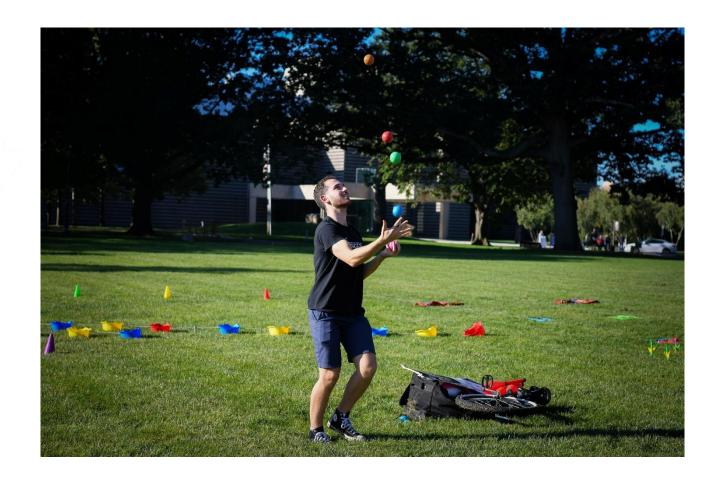


# Game Zone Sponsor | \$1,000

### **Benefits**

- Business logo on CHW website
- Verbal recognition during the Opening Ceremony
- Branded track sign at the entrance of the Game
   Zone Area
- Text of business name on the back of event tshirts
- Day of pictures provided post-walk











# Face Painter Sponsor | \$1,000

### **Benefits**

- Business logo on CHW website
- Business logo on track sign as Face Painter Sponsor
- Verbal recognition during the Opening Ceremony
- · Activity tent provided the day of the walk if needed
- Day of pictures provided post-walk
- Text of business name on the back of event t-shirts





# Balloon Twister Sponsor | \$1,000

### **Benefits**

- Business logo on CHW website
- Verbal recognition during the Opening Ceremony
- Branded track sign at the entrance of the Balloon
   Twister Area
- Text of business name on the back of event tshirts
- Day of pictures provided post-walk









# Cleveland Congenital Heart Walk Sponsorship Commitment Form

Yes! We would like to proudly sponsor the 2026 Cleveland Congenital Heart Walk at the following level:

<b>Sponsorship Level</b> ☐ <del>Presenting - \$25,000</del> ☐ Supporting Sponsor- \$15,000  ☐ Gold - \$10,000  ☐ Silver - \$7,500  ☐ Bronze - \$5,000  ☐ Auction - \$3,000	<ul> <li>□ Peace and Memorial - \$2,500</li> <li>□ Heartbeat Hero - \$2,500</li> <li>□ Heart Booster - \$1,500</li> <li>□ Face Painter - \$1,000</li> <li>□ Balloon Twister - \$1,000</li> <li>□ Game Zone - \$1,000</li> </ul>
Sponsorship Commitment Type □ One (1) year Sponsorship Commitment □ Two (2) year Sponsorship Commitment (2026 and 2027 Walk)	
Donor/Company:	
Name:	
Address:	
City, State Zip Code:	
Phone:	
Email:	
□ Pay by Credit Card: □ Visa □ MasterCard □ Name on credit card:	] American Express □ Discover
Credit card number:	
Expiration: CVV:	
□ Pay by Check: Please make a check or money order payable to The Children's Heart Foundation, include the Cleveland Walk in the memo line, and send to: The Children's Heart Foundation, 5 Revere Drive, One Northbrook Place, Suite 200, Northbrook, IL 60062	
Printed Name of Sponsor:	
Signature:	
Date:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

With the generous support of our families, healthcare partners, and corporate and community champions, The Children's Heart Foundation continues to make substantial, differece-making CHD research contributions. With your help, CHD patients are living longer, healthier lives. Your support benefits every Heart Warrior, and honors every Heart Angel.

# Thank you for Placing Children at the Heart of Research!





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