Dear Friends,

2019 was a banner year for the A Kid Again family thanks to our generous donors, dedicated volunteers, and deserving families. Because of your support, we helped more than 2200 families across Ohio and Indiana. In this community report, you’ll find our top 13 totally awesome and amazing accomplishments, and I hope you’ll join me in celebrating!

As we reflect on the past year and the many wins we achieved together, I’d like to take a moment to thank each of you for your support – we can’t do what we do without you.

One of these shining moments came in November of 2019, when we expanded our reach and opened the doors to our Philadelphia Chapter. This was the next step in a long-term plan to provide every child and family dealing with a life-threatening condition the hope and support that Adventures offer. While we have helped many families across a few states, we know the need is much greater.

Now, we look forward to an exciting 2020 as we celebrate 25 years of helping to restore a sense of normalcy for families thrust into the situation of having to care for a child with a life-threatening condition.

Our mission remains to provide hope, happiness, and healing to children with life-threatening conditions, but remember that we can only do so by working together.

All kids deserve to laugh, play and smile – it’s time they feel like A Kid Again!

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Kids helped kids

We were dancin’ like A Kid Again

The Kenston High School Bomber Bash event was established by northeast Ohio native Alisson Kure and the school PTO in 2017 to raise funds for local A Kid Again families. In 2019, Kenston students wanted to make sure the event continued so they took it upon themselves to keep this special fundraiser going on their own. Their efforts paid off as the beach party-themed fundraiser reached their goal and raised $20,063!

Grace Christian School gives back

Grace Christian School held a “Fuel the Adventure Challenge.” Each class was paired with an A Kid Again child and family dealing with a life-threatening condition and charged to raise funds to fuel their Adventures. Their desire to give back and show love to families in their community raised over $20,000 to fuel local Adventures! As the fundraiser reached its pinnacle, two surprise donors announced they would match the funds the students raised. It is with enormous excitement that we thank Tom and Ann DiMarco and recognize the hard work by Grace Christian School students. In the end over $40,000 was raised to help Fuel more Adventures. Thanks Grace Christian School and the DiMarco Family.
Northern Ohio Executive Director was honored with the Pillar Award

In November, our very own Christine Bucknell was selected as a 2019 Medical Mutual Pillar Award winner for Community Service Honoree in the category of Nonprofit Executive Director of the Year. The program was developed by Smart Business and Medical Mutual to honor businesses and individuals dedicated to making Northeast Ohio a better place to live. We are proud to have Christine on our team!
We made history in Philadelphia

At the end of 2019, we opened our doors in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania! As we work to spread awareness to local families who will benefit from the power of Adventures, we’re also looking for generous donors and passionate volunteers who will help us carry out our mission.

In support of this exciting news, please consider making a donation to our new friends in Philadelphia.

We smashed records at the Havana Gala

A Kid Again supporters in our Northern Ohio Chapter rallied around our Havana-themed Gala and made it an unbelievable record-breaking event. Guests enjoyed the fun, carefree atmosphere, took part in auctions, and gave to other unique on-site fundraisers. Thanks to sponsors, donors, and event volunteers, the Havana Gala raised over $306,000 – that’s an increase of more than $56,000 from 2018!
Volunteer Barb Matta inspired us all

Barb Matta, wife of former Ohio State Basketball Coach Thad Matta, has been a part of the A Kid Again family for more than 20 years. Barb is passionate about helping local families and goes above and beyond in her support of A Kid Again. She leads the Adventure committee and started a Women’s Group to get her friends involved. Barb works tirelessly to support our mission and even helped establish the local A Kid Again Chapter in Indiana when she moved out of Ohio.

Thank you to Barb and all volunteers like her!

Hustle & Heart scored BIG!

During the 2019 Ohio State Football season, Safelite AutoGlass donated $500 for every field goal or extra point made by OSU. This fundraiser was called “Hustle & Heart” and raised over $25,000 for A Kid Again. In addition, Safelite AutoGlass sponsored a special on-the-field experience for A Kid Again kid Brody, whose dad has been serving in Iraq. As a huge Buckeyes fan, it meant everything to Brody to see the action up close and know he had the support of his A Kid Again family. And when Brody’s dad, Nick, came home from Iraq, the A Kid Again family was there, too.

$25,000 RAISED!
Ricart Automotive put us in the spotlight

It’s only because of supporters like Ricart Automotive that Adventures are possible for our children and families. In addition to support throughout the year, Ricart Automotive assisted A Kid Again in developing a partnership with NBC4 to air hundreds of PSA spots over a 4-month span. As if that weren’t enough, Ricart stepped up to the plate as the Presenting Sponsor for the Telethon with NBC4. The impact of this strategic partnership will continue to be felt in 2020.
They wore their hearts on their shoes

A Kid Again children and families were given an opportunity to experience game day with the Colts through an event that was part of the NFL’s “My Cause, My Cleats!” initiative. Colts players Kenny Moore and Jacoby Brissett highlighted their favorite charity with custom designed cleats to honor their favorite A Kid Again kid. As part of this initiative, kids were given an opportunity to experience the game on the field. After the game the cleats were auctioned off and the funds raised were donated to A Kid Again. A huge thank you to the Indianapolis Colts and the players for some unbelievable experiences.

The Colts dressed up and danced down the Runway

In October, A Kid Again teamed up with The Indianapolis Colts and the Colts Community to host a Halloween themed fashion show that featured an actual runway. Colts Players and their sponsored kids walked the runway in their favorite costumes. The evening was co-hosted by Colts Quarterback Jacoby Brissett, who seemed to have just as much fun as the kids did dressing up for the occasion! The audience witnessed pure joy from everyone who walked the runway as players paired up with A Kid Again children to wear costumes like Toy Story’s Woody and Little Bo Peep, Star Wars’ Darth Vader and Luke Skywalker, and a classic magician and witch!
The Pacers showed us the value of ‘retail therapy’

During the holiday season, the Indiana Pacers, Pacemates and Circle Centre Mall joined forces to give A Kid Again kids and families an experience they’ll never forget.

The evening welcomed our special guests with a free pizza party from Papa John’s to get “fueled up” for fun. Then everyone geared up for a special holiday shopping spree. Each child received a $200 Simon Malls gift card to spend that night within the mall! Players and Pacemates helped kids pick out toys, try on shoes and spent time with them to make sure they got the gifts they truly desired. In attendance were Indiana Pacers’ Malcolm Brogdon, TJ Leaf, T.J. McConnell, Victor Oladipo, Edmond Sumner and T.J. Warren.

The magic of the season didn’t end there. Each family also received a Kroger gift card and tickets to an upcoming Pacers game!

Surrounded by smiling, happy faces, it was easy to see the hope and healing that our partners brought A Kid Again kids and families that night.
GPD Group made hearts race at the Soap Box Derby

Thanks to our friends at GPD Group, in August the Northern Ohio Chapter of A Kid Again hosted a “Soap Box Derby Fun Fest” at the Derby Downs Track for the first-ever Akron, Ohio Adventure. It was a fun-filled day where our children and families felt the wind on their faces and the excitement of racing like a kid again.

GPD Group, a long-time supporter of A Kid Again, funded the Adventure in its entirety to give children and families a much-needed break from their doctor visits, treatments and more. In addition to soap box car racing, families enjoyed a bounce house, obstacle courses, live entertainment, face painting, balloon making and more. And for those unable to steer a traditional car themselves, retrofitted cars with experienced drivers were on-site to provide all participants with a thrilling race experience!

The goal of the day was to provide all participants with laughter, smiles, and lifelong memories while helping them take a momentary step away from the stresses of everyday life. And because of our partnership with GPD, this goal came to fruition at the Derby Downs Track that day.
We celebrated 25 years of Adventures with Kings Island

It’s been nearly 25 years since A Kid Again decided to try something new to help bring hope, happiness, and healing to families. Going on one trip to a new and “magical” place was fun, but what if there were a solution to recreate the excitement and care-free fun on an ongoing, yearly basis?

In 1994, we humbly asked a Cincinnati, Ohio-based theme park called Kings Island for 100 tickets for free admission. 25 years later, we continue to share our gratitude for each and every day this partnership continues.

Because of Kings Island’s support:
- 200 kids, siblings and parents enjoyed the first annual Kings Island Adventure in 1994
- Since then, this powerful partnership with Cedar Fair has fueled Adventures for more than 65,000 people

Now, Kings Island’s new Orion roller coaster will debut to the public when the park opens for the 2020 season. And thanks to our powerful partnership, those willing to help families with kids with life-threatening conditions get a first ride through the Orion First Riders Auction, benefiting A Kid Again!
We were revved up at the 500 Festival Parade

In the spring of 2019, A Kid Again hosted a float in the Indianapolis 500 Festival Parade, one of the largest, most respected parades in the nation. 300,000 people lined the streets to see the action as A Kid Again supporters came together to offer up a themed float.

Fifty A Kid Again kids and families waved and smiled with Mark Titus, as Miss Indiana and Mrs. Indiana both broadcasted live from the float. When they passed through the grandstand, 75 members of the A Kid Again family cheered them on from the stands, and they even received a standing ovation from the whole crowd – something that did not happen for every float! Riders even had the opportunity to meet Governor Holcomb.

It was a special day for the A Kid Again family – we were seen on NBC, NBCSN (Sports Network), Wish TV, online media, and even saw a jump in our social media numbers. Our efforts were recognized with an award for Community Impact, the Indiana Chapter’s first community-based award.
At the end of 2019, we all met Grant. And we’re really glad we did, because he and his family fueled perhaps one of our biggest fundraising success stories of the year.

Grant loves dinosaurs, Pokémon, and playing with his sister on the slide at the neighborhood park. For he and his family, life is anything but ordinary. When he was just days old, Grant was diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition that would change their lives forever. “I’m really scared about everything with him,” Grant’s sister, Juliana shared.

At A Kid Again, we know that when a child gets sick, childhood itself just stops. Family time was hard to come by for Grant and his family until A Kid Again came into their lives.

We shared Grant’s story with you during the holidays and asked for your support of A Kid Again.

**We surpassed our goal by more than 200%!**

Thanks to A Kid Again families like Grant’s, we were able to share the power of Adventures and we surpassed our end-of-year campaign goal of raising $40,000. With your generous donations, we are able to help over 200 kids like Grant enjoy Adventures.

—Grant’s Dad

That’s what I love about this organization and what those [donation] dollars go for. It allows us to have fun as a family and to make amazing memories.

—Grant’s Dad
OVER

2,200

families served through Adventures in Fiscal Year 2019

Types of Adventures we had in 2019

- Sporting Events
- Water Parks
- Theme Parks
- Zoos
- Arcades
- Soap Box Derby
- Holiday Party
- Shopping Sprees
- Game Nights
- Halloween Parties
- Parades
- Magic
- Science & Learning

ADVENTURES BY REGION

- Northern Ohio: 8
- Central Ohio: 12
- Southwest Ohio: 10
- Indiana: 9
- Philadelphia: NEW
### 2019 Revenue

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**Net Income** $267,253
Do you know the power of Adventures?

94% of families had an experience that was not otherwise possible

97% had a unique experience and a chance to feel special

85% of our families reported enhanced feelings of hope

90% of kids said they feel greater acceptance by others and fear the public eye less

Thank you to our 2019 Donors (listed in alphabetical order)

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Dear A Kid Again,

My name is Aidan Valentine. You may remember me as the boy who lost his eye to retinoblastoma, and would chase his sister around the house yelling “I got my eye on you!”

Now, I’m an 18-year-old young adult just putting his foot into this scary big world, thinking about myself as a child not knowing what this part of my future would look like, or even knowing if it would even be there for me. If it wasn’t for A Kid Again events, I can’t say my childhood would’ve been as happy and joyful as I remember.

As A Kid Again celebrates 25 years of service to kids and families just like mine, I would love nothing more than to be a part of the organization that saved my life. I really want to help out in any way, shape or form, to give back to the organization that gave so much to me. I remember how much I loved my mentors at events and would love to be that someone for kids who are now in the shoes I was lucky to outgrow.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of my heart for impacting my life and my family’s life for the better, forever.

Thank you,
Aidan Valentine

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A Kid Again is like a life-line. Something we can point to each month and look forward to as a family. We make sure to put those events in big red letters on the calendar and it seems to make the yucky medical stuff pale in comparison.
— AKA Mom Cheryl