

## HD-64 Fact Sheet: The Lasting Power of a Local Wish

Since 2004, **Make-A-Wish® Ohio** has granted **168** wishes to children battling life-threatening medical conditions in Ashtabula and Trumbull Counties, including:

Year	First Name	City	Medical Condition	Child's Wish
2008	Angeleena	Orwell	cystic fibrosis	To be a model
2008	Kaleb	Cortland	neurological condition	To go to an NFL game
2010	Awstin	Warren	cardiac condition	To meet a famous athlete
2011	Alyssa	Mineral Ridge	non-Hodgkin's lymphoma	To go to Hawaii
2011	Hannah	Masury	cardiac condition	To have a play set
2012	Victoria	Youngstown	neuromuscular and seizure disorder	To have a fenced in yard
2013	Ayden	Ashtabula	acute myeloid leukemia	To have a computer
2013	Thomas	Southington	leukemia	To go to WrestleMania
2014	Tyrone	Windsor	cardiac condition	To meet a celebrity
2014	Kyle	Andover	genetic disorder	To have a koi pond
2014	Riley	Conneaut	neurodevelopmental disorder	To go to Walt Disney World® Resort

Doctors and parents tell us a wish is more than a nice thing – it's powerful medicine. More and more, doctors are prescribing a wish as part of the treatment process.

- ✓ **74%** of parents say the wish marked a turning point in their child's response to treatment. That's why a vast majority of Wish kids survive and then thrive
- ✓ **89%** of health care sources say a wish influences wish kids' physical health
- ✓ **96%** of medical sources see increases in Wish kids' emotional health

Local volunteers from all 88 Ohio counties help us grant more than 400 wishes each year – but that's less than half the need in Ohio. *Help us grant more wishes to transform the lives of these courageous children and their families.*

*"A wish is about hope and the future. It focuses a child on what life can be and recharges the child and strengthens their spirit."*

- Dr. Anup Patel, MD  
Director of Complex Epilepsy Clinic  
Nationwide Children's Hospital



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