



WHY WE WALK

The Paul Family

Our family has been walking since the inception of Cincinnati Walks for Kids. For most of those years, Max walked or rode with his team and everyone cheered him on.

Max has left us physically, but his spirit lives on forever in our hearts and souls! This year's walk was in memory of him.

The doctors and nurses at Cincinnati Children's helped us care for Max, and now we want to help them bring hope and healing to other children and their families. Each of us can make a difference in the life of a sick child. We believe we're changing the outcome together—one step at a time.

-Nina, grateful mom of Max

2016 WALK HIGHLIGHTS

When you walk by our side, we achieve so much.
2016 highlights include:



Almost **\$900,000** raised



More than **5,000** walkers



297 teams



75 programs and divisions benefited from your donations



139 volunteers



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SNAPSHOT OF THE 2016 WALK



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING CINCINNATI WALKS FOR KIDS!

You're making a tremendous difference in the lives of so many children. We're incredibly grateful for your partnership and gifts.

Thanks to you, the 2016 Cincinnati Walks for Kids raised almost \$900,000 for Cincinnati Children's. Your hard work will benefit programs and divisions throughout the medical center, leading to better outcomes for the patients and families we serve.

Together, we're saving lives. We're conducting research that will yield the advanced treatments of tomorrow. We're providing comfort and healing to families from here in Cincinnati, across the country and around the world. We're making our community a healthier and stronger place.

We're changing the outcome together.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR GIFT

Cincinnati Walks for Kids is Cincinnati Children's largest community fundraiser. Over the last 11 years, the walk has raised \$8 million to benefit the kids and families we serve. Your gifts this year will be put to use in 75 different programs throughout the medical center. In the last year alone, we've used funds raised through the walk to buy hearing aids for patients, develop new regenerative medicine technologies and tackle infant mortality—and that's just for starters. Here's a closer look at a few exciting things that have been made possible by the walk.

- **The Division of Child Life purchased toys, art supplies and musical instruments, all to improve patient experience.** These materials help kids adjust to the hospital environment, achieve their developmental goals and cope with their worries. Because of your support, our Child Life experts are better able to inspire creativity and learning, improving outcomes for both inpatients and outpatients.
- **The Division of Neurology used contributions from the walk to help fund the Epilepsy Surgery Family Reunion at Camp Kern.** The camp is for children—and their families—who have undergone surgery for epilepsy. Camp activities include games and breakout sessions for the kids, while parents have an opportunity to talk with doctors and learn more about caring for a child with epilepsy. Thanks to the funds from the walk, the entire experience is available to families free of cost.



**Walk. Waddle.
Gallop. Give.**

- **Donations from the walk allowed the Divisions of Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Therapeutic Recreation to renovate clinic space.** Improvements include a new treatment table, a dishwasher, training stairs, treatment mats and an equipment storage rack. They also added private treatment spaces and built a kitchen where they teach patients how to carry out everyday tasks. All of these improvements will better help patients rehabilitate from injuries and other medical setbacks.
- **The Mayerson Center for Safe and Healthy Children continues to be the one-stop source of care for children in our region who have been physically and sexually abused.** Donations from the walk allowed the Mayerson Center to support its fellowship program, which prepares physicians for an academic and clinical career in the field of child abuse. The Mayerson Center also used funding from the walk to buy books for each child seen at the center. It's their practice to give every patient—and every sibling or cousin who comes along for a visit—an age-appropriate book to take home. Thanks to you, they're able to continue this valuable service.



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