Dreams for Leani and Matthew

“Leani had the best trip ever, she will always remember it!” - Leani’s mom. Leani, diagnosed with Sturge-Weber syndrome and focal epilepsy, and her mom had an incredible time visiting Disney World, Universal Studios, and LEGOLAND Florida. Answering Leani’s dream was a collaborative effort by Neshaminy High School Interact Club, Hatboro Rotary, Innovative Implant and Oral Surgery, Jersey Mike’s Subs, and Giant Food Stores in Feasterville, Warminster, and Philadelphia, PA.

Matthew had an amazing time, he was able to visit all four Disney parks.” - Matthew’s mom. Matthew, with low-functioning autism, loved visiting the Florida theme parks. Matthew’s dream was answered by Neshaminy High School Interact Club, Gannon Insurance, Innovative Implant and Oral Surgery, and Hatboro and Feasterville Rotaries.

Mission Statement - Sunshine Foundation answers the dreams of children, ages three through eighteen, who have severe or profound physical/developmental/intellectual challenges or trauma from physical/sexual abuse, and whose families cannot fulfill their requests due to financial strain.
Thank You for Making Dreams Come True!

Sienna’s New Wheelchair

Sienna (Bella), who has cerebral palsy, encephalopathy and blindness, loves her new electric wheelchair! “Bella has been so excited to have her chair and be able to do outings with us independently. We are forever grateful!” – Sienna’s mom

Thank you to Salve Regina University, Check Point Software Technologies, and individual donors for making Sienna’s dream come true!

Magical Fireworks for Ayub

Ayub, 11, with low-functioning autism, had an amazing trip to Walt Disney World! “This was one of the greatest trips in our lifetime. Ayub’s happiness and surprises in this trip will always be fresh in our memories books. The Magic Kingdom fireworks was Ayub’s favorite part of the vacation.” – Ayub’s dad

We are grateful to the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation for answering Ayub’s dream.

Fun in Florida for Joel

Joel, with Down syndrome, loved visiting the Florida theme parks! “Joel and our family truly enjoyed this experience. He met his favorite characters. Everything was amazing and so accommodating. This trip helped our family forget about the issues and everything going on for a few days.” Thank you to the National Christian Foundation and Bergey Family Foundation for answering Joel’s dream.

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Shea’s Closet System

Shea, 9, who lives with the challenges of Down syndrome, has a new custom storage closet! “Shea’s medical conditions necessitate lots of changes of clothing and she also has loads of medical paraphernalia. Now we were able to divide his things neatly among the shelves and drawers. We appreciate the support as we do often feel lonely on this journey.” – Shea’s mom

Shea’s dream was made possible by South Hunterdon High School, The Stewart Foundation, and individual donors.

Join The Dream

Make more dreams like these possible by joining our community of monthly donors. A monthly gift of any amount helps to make more dreams come true.

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Guinevere’s Furry Friend

Guinevere, with eosinophilic esophagitis, is smiling from ear to ear after receiving her service/therapy dog.

Guinevere’s mom said, “Thank you for providing the resources for us to get Gwen her puppy Dug! We have seen Gwen learning to manage her anxiety a lot better now that Dug is here!” Thank you to LCH Health and Community Services and Exelon for making Guinevere’s dream come true!

Zachary’s Disney Joy

Zachary, with Trisomy 21 and deafness, had an incredible time visiting Animal Kingdom, Magic Kingdom and Universal Studios! “This trip, especially for a family as large as ours, is a once in a lifetime opportunity that most can only dream of experiencing. Despite multiple disabilities Zackary truly immersed himself into the full Disney experience and found his purest joy!” - Zachary’s mom

Thank you to a generous family for making Zackary’s dream trip possible!

Accessible Van for Zamarie

Zamarie, 14, who suffered an anoxic brain injury, received funding towards an accessible van. Zamarie’s mom said, “We are so thankful for helping us to get the accessible van, transportation that was truly needed. This is such a blessing to our family.”

Thank you to the Tom Allen/Keller Williams Golf Outing for making Zamarie’s dream come true!

Tarique’s Shopping Spree

Tarique, 18, with spastic quadriplegic cerebral palsy, thoroughly enjoyed his Shopping Spree. “Tarique really loves to dress up, this shopping spree helped him to do that.” – Tarique’s mom

Students Making an Impact

The Neshaminy High School Interact Club hosted Neshaminy’s Got Talent to help answer Milen’s dream. Milen, 10, with spina bifida, learned that his dream of visiting Universal Studios is coming true!

Widener University’s Fraternity and Sorority Life hosted Hoops for Hope to fundraise for Virginia’s dream. Virginia, with low-functioning autism, dreams of visiting Disney and Magic Kingdom.

Oakwood School’s Annual Student Council Association Walk-A-Thon raised funds to help answer dreams!
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THANK YOU to everyone who joined the RunWalk-Bark4Dreams virtually or in person! Because of you, Amaya, Caleb, Jazmine, and Zach will see their dreams turn into reality! See the full photo gallery on our website sunshinefoundation.org/rwb4dreams-2022 or by scanning the QR code.

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6 Hamilton Township, NJ - S.I.C Summer Bash
9 Moorehead, MN - 10th Annual Addie’s Royal Cupcake Stand
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September
TBD Williamstown, NJ - 18th Annual Joan (Jake) Miller Memorial Chapter’s Library IV Bike-A-Thon
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Former dreamer, Josh, who sustained a traumatic brain injury as a child, wrote Josh’s World, “an enchanting peek into the life of a little dragon with a big heart.” Josh donated 100% of his royalties from his book, which is available on Amazon, to help answer Vincent’s dream.

Josh had his dream answered to visit the Florida Theme Parks in 2010 when he was nine years old.

Vincent, born with hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy, shares the same dream of visiting the Florida Theme Parks. Thank you, Josh, for helping us get closer to answering Vincent’s dream!

Adrayanna, 12, with cerebral palsy and dysesthesia, had a magical time visiting the Florida Theme parks. “Adrayanna enjoyed her time at the Disney theme parks. She enjoyed riding the rides, shopping, watching the parades and seeing some of her favorite characters. Thanks so much for allowing her this gift and for the chance to live out her dreams in the most magical place on Earth.”

– Adrayanna’s mom

Thank you to the donors who made Adrayanna’s dream possible!