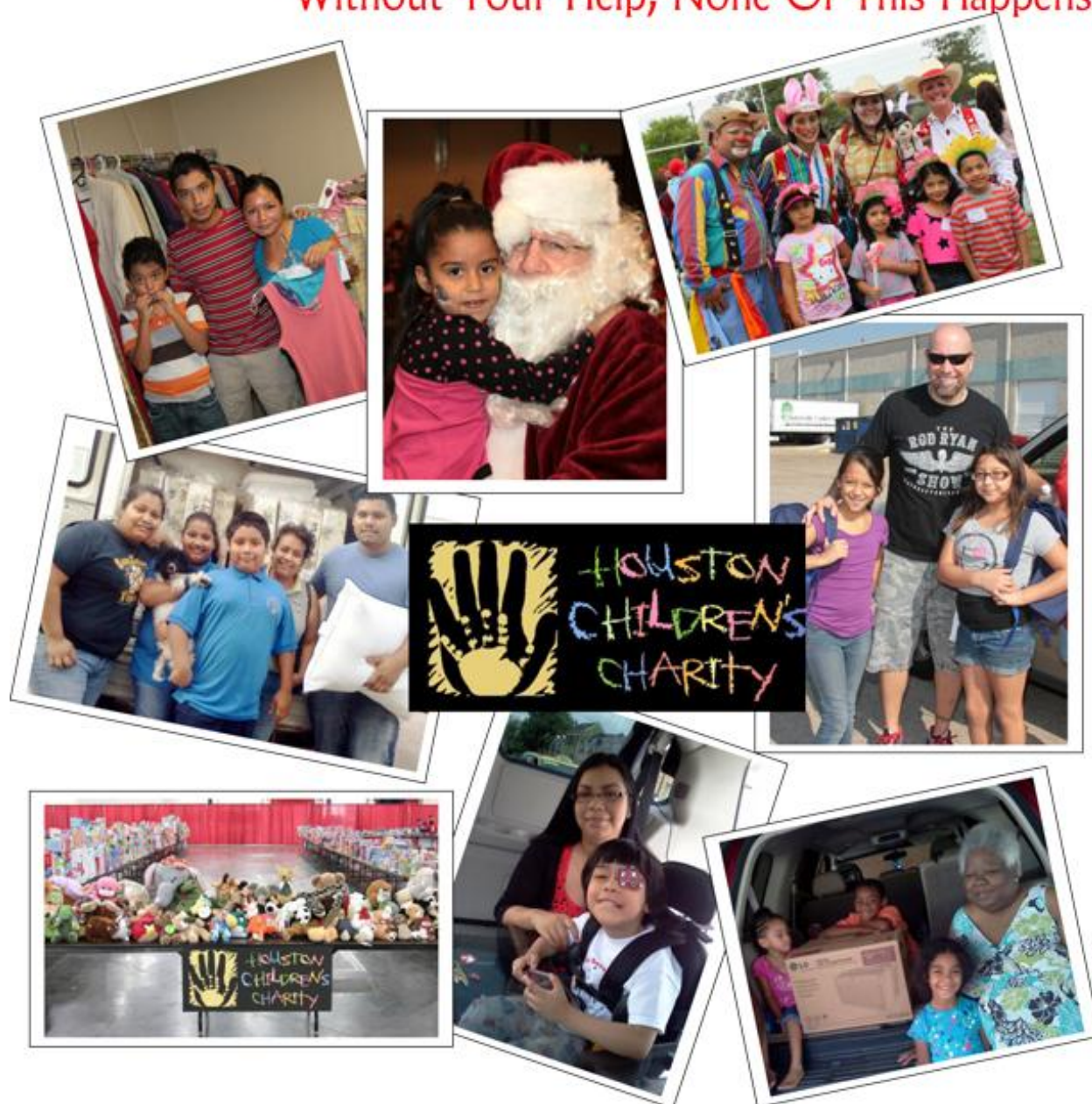


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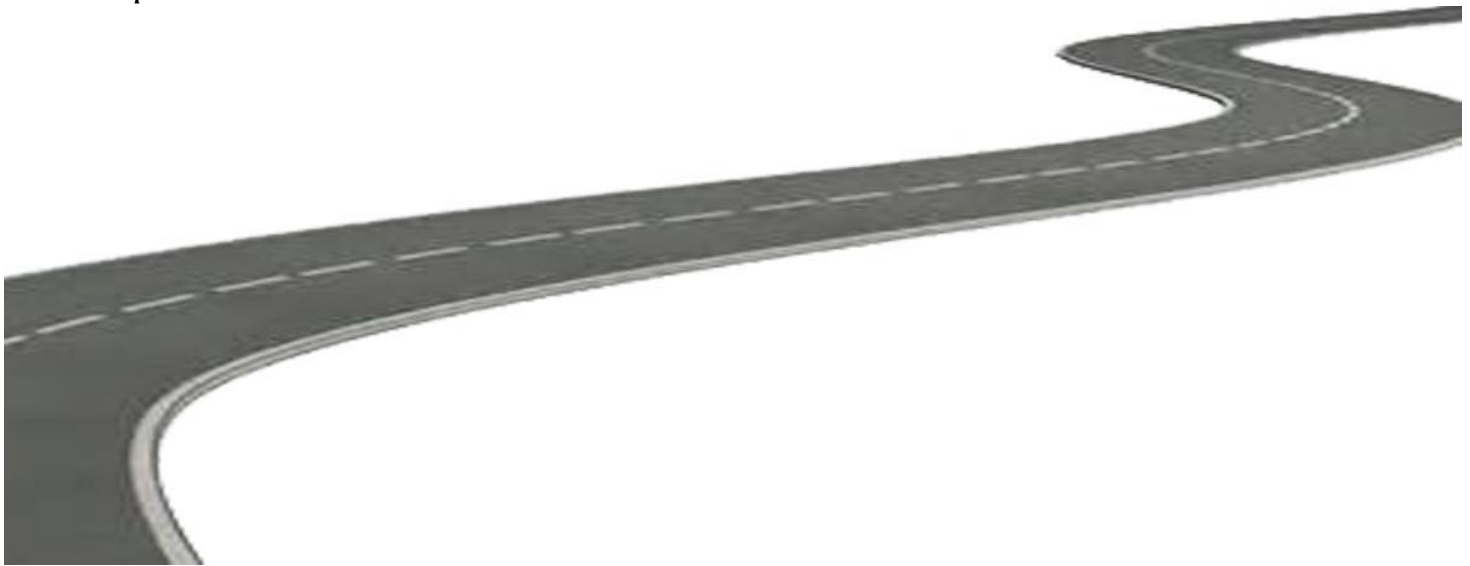
Houston Children's Charity is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for Greater Houston's underprivileged, abused and disabled children who have been otherwise left behind. The scope of our support is limited only by the availability of resources. Our goal is to leave no legitimate request for assistance unanswered.

VISION STATEMENT

Houston Children's Charity, with the support of dedicated sponsors and committed volunteers, works to create a world where every child has their very own bed, clothing, school supplies, transportation, health services, and joyful holidays. We are making progress, assisting one child at a time and measure our success by the number of children's lives that are touched.



Houston Children's Charity is dedicated to enhancing the lives of underprivileged, handicapped and abused children in the Houston community and surrounding areas. The "*Chariots for Children*" Van Program was founded in 1997 to provide specifically designed and equipped vehicles to organizations with a similar mission and families in need of handicap accessible vans.



Since 1997, HCC has awarded 88 passenger vans, 18 handicapped accessible vehicles, 3 box trucks, 1 car and 2 vehicle modifications to 92 agencies and 18 individual families, at a cost of \$2,723,218.

KASEY BENNETT



Handicap Accessible Conversion

Kasey Bennett is an 11 year old boy with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy Disease. This is a slowly progressive disease that deteriorates the muscles until they no longer work. Kasey is confined to a wheelchair and as he grows it will become more difficult to load him and the wheelchair into the van. Having a handicap accessible van allows his mother the ability to transport Kasey without lifting him in and out of the family's 2009 Dodge Grand Caravan.

CARLOS A. CHAVEZ



Handicap Accessible Van

Carlos A. Chavez is a 4 year old boy with Mitochondria Disorder. Mitochondrial diseases are categorized according to the organ systems affected and symptoms present. Carlos has generalized muscle weakness and global developmental delay, creating medical and developmental delays and challenges. The family has one car and it is constantly breaking down. A handicap accessible van has changed their world. They are able to get to the doctors, schools and other outings as a family.

YOUNG LIFE HOUSTON CENTRAL



12-Passenger Van

Young Life Houston Central is a non-profit campus youth ministry, working with inner-city and at-risk kids to provide guidance, direction, and hope with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The awarded 12 passenger van makes it possible for teens (11 – 18) to have transportation services to and from activities where they will receive guidance and help that they would not otherwise receive.

DIANA REYNA



Handicap Accessible Van

Diana Reyna is a 10 year old girl with bone cancer who is also quadriplegic. Diana's parents carry her nearly everywhere, even sustaining their own injuries trying to do so. The new handicap accessible van allows Diana an entirely new life as she will be able to go to the movies, grocery store and trick-or-treating which she could not do before.

MIGUEL AGUILA



Handicap Accessible Van

Miguel Aguila was diagnosed, at the age of 8 months, with Cerebral Palsy, only later to find out he had been misdiagnosed. At 7, the doctors informed his parents that his true diagnosis was Spinal Muscular Atrophy (type 2) along with Scoliosis.

Miguel's parents have had to rely on friends and family to transport him to doctors' appointments, family outings, birthday parties, high school football games to see his sister dance and other places. He continues to grow, and it has made it very hard to transport him because of his condition. A handicap accessible van now allows Miguel, 9, and his family to go places and not be left behind.

KARINA MARTINEZ



Handicap Accessible Van

Karina Martinez, 21 years old, is considered a special health care needs child because of her daily level of care necessary due to her numerous medical conditions. Karina is confined to her wheelchair. She must travel with medical equipment and supplies, as well as her medications. In transporting Karina, her parents have to take her wheelchair apart and have 2 to 3 people to lift her into the family car. This handicap accessible van has changed the world for Karina and her family. They can now transport her without assistance and the quality of her life has greatly increased.

KIDS' MEALS, INC.



SOFIA MONTERROSA

12-Passenger Van

Kids' Meals on Wheels program is for pre-schooled aged children living in poverty. Nutritious meals are delivered to the doors of these hungry, innocent children. Kids' Meals is ending hunger among children by delivering 1,700 nutritious meals daily. For some of these children, this is the only meal they will receive all day. The children receive a healthy meal that consists of a whole wheat sandwich, a fruit and or a snack, and 100% juice or milk. Bags of groceries, fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods and other donated foods from restaurants and grocery stores are delivered throughout the week as well.



Handicap Accessible Conversion

Sofia Monterrosa was born premature and diagnosed with a cleft lip palate, cerebral palsy and trisomy 18 (Edwards Syndrome). Due to her numerous medical conditions and daily level of necessary care, transportation had become more difficult. She was restricted to ambulance transportation (for medical appointments only) due to her need to travel with medical equipment and supplies. The awarded handicap accessible conversion makes a world of difference for mom when transporting Sofia to doctor's appointments, therapy sessions and family outings.

NANCY ARGUETA



Handicap Accessible Van

Nancy Argueta was at the wrong place at the wrong time. While visiting friends, Nancy, age 18, was shot multiple times during a random shooting. She sustained 7 gunshot wounds, including two shots to her head. As a result of the shooting, Nancy lost her left eye and movement to her entire right side. Today, Nancy is alive and recovering!! She is learning how to do things all over again through daily therapy sessions. The road to recovery has not been easy. The new handicap accessible van allows Nancy to continue with therapy sessions and numerous doctor visits.

JESSICA HERRERA



Handicap Accessible Van

Jessica Herrera is an 8 year old girl with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (type 3). This disease includes a progressive muscular weakness and has left Jessica wheel chair dependent. She is not able to stand independently and is now too big for her parents to carry or lift her into the car. The awarded handicap accessible van is life changing. It has allowed Jessica's family to transport her comfortably to therapy sessions, the hospital, school or family outings.

LUIS J. FRANCO



Handicap Accessible Van

Luis J. Franco was diagnosed, at the age of 18 months, with Spinal Muscular Atrophy. This neuromuscular disease has left his muscles very weak causing Scoliosis. By the age of 12, Luis had endured multiple back surgeries. Because the sensitivity of his back, family trips to therapy sessions would pose a challenge to his health. This new handicap accessible van allows Luis to concentrate on life without pain during a simple car ride – opening doors to new adventures for him and his family.

LEVI GRAHAM



Handicap Accessible Van

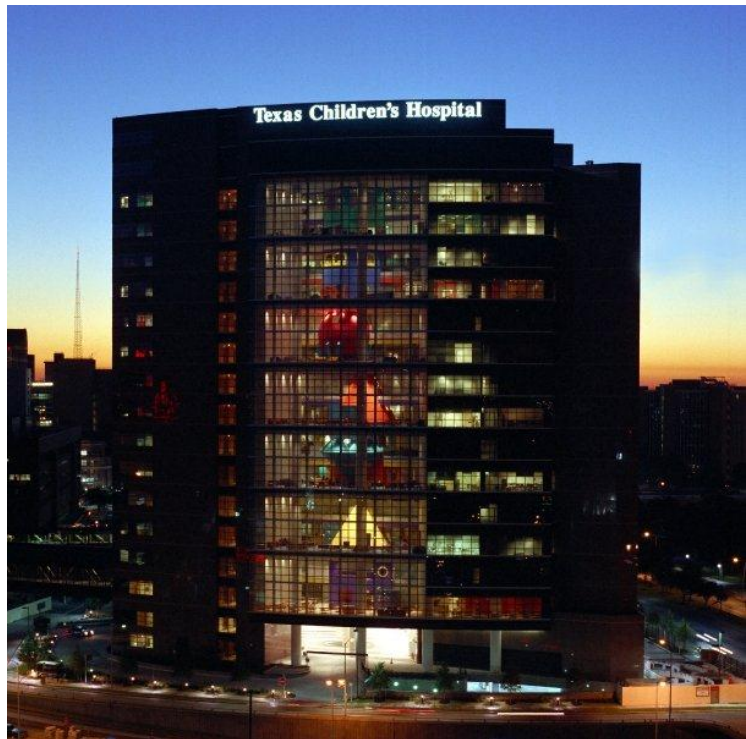
Levi Graham was born a healthy baby boy; but at five months, he was a victim of Shaken baby syndrome (SBS). Today, at 15 years of age, Levi has many special needs. He is confined to a wheelchair, and he can't talk or walk. Transporting him anywhere has become extremely difficult. This awarded handicap accessible van will assist his mother in traveling from place to place. The days of lifting him and his wheelchair are gone – This is life changing!!!



Houston Children's Charity pledged a gift in the amount of **\$1,000,000** to establish the **Houston Children's Charity Family Emergency Fund** at Texas Children's Cancer Center.

This fund is used exclusively for the fulfillment of the needs of the children and the families of children under treatment in Texas Children's Cancer Center. It is administered by the Texas Children's Hospital Supportive Care Program. This fund pays for items such as meals, parking, clothing, shoes and any other specific needs not otherwise fulfilled by other available programs.

In addition, a matching gift of \$1,050,000 was executed in 2006 in honor of Lester and Sue Smith. The combined commitment of \$2,050,000 continues to fund the important efforts of Dr. David Poplack and his team at the Children's Cancer Center.





Houston Children's Charity's "A Better Night's Sleep" program allows Houston's special children to sleep comfortably every night. There are thousands of children in Houston who do not have beds, many of them sleeping on the floor. Scientific research has been conducted that links better performance in school to a good night's sleep. The goal of this innovative program is to provide beds to children who are sleeping on the floor, never having had a restful place to lay their head. HCC also provides a twin bed frame, mattress set, sheets, pillows, blankets and pillow cases for each bed given to a needy child.

Since the program's launch and the outstanding support from various donors, Houston Children's Charity has provided many children in Houston with exactly what the program offers: "a better night's sleep." To date, the program has distributed over 5,500 beds to children in the Greater Houston area.





All children should be able to go school on the first day wearing a new backpack loaded with supplies.

Our “*Back-2-School*” program is becoming our fastest growing program since partnering with The Rod Ryan Show from 94.5 The Buzz and BullShirts. This program provides school-aged children with much needed school supplies. The ever-growing list of necessary supplies needed for academic success should not leave families struggling. Since its creation in 2005, Houston Children’s Charity “*Back 2 School*” program has helped **more than 10,000 children** in and around the Houston area. These deserving kids are now able to walk into class that first day, armed with a new back pack, school supplies, hope and confidence.





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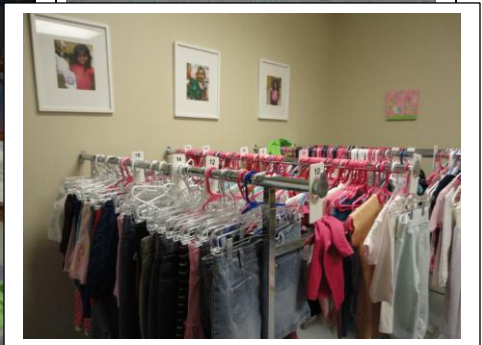
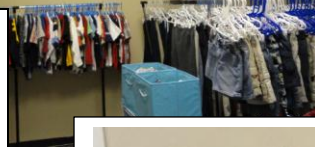
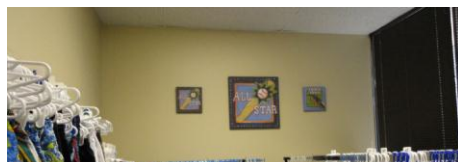
Hearing Melissa Juneau recount her many rewarding experiences as chairperson of the “*HCC Closet*,” one is reminded of the old adage, “Those who give receive much in return.” The “*HCC Closet*” is unique and special because all items are donated and go directly to families, and as Melissa puts it, it gives people in need the opportunity to “shop with dignity.” The meticulously kept rooms are a testament to the long hours that Melissa, HCC Staff and committed volunteers spend creating an environment where “shoppers” can browse our racks as if they were at a retail boutique. Inspiration is found each time a family catches their first glimpse of the Closet’s overflowing aisles and “their faces just light up.”

Melissa recalled a day she will never forget. “A woman came into the Closet in tears. She was already caring for her 4 children and 9 grandchildren, and had just discovered that she also had 3-month old twin grandchildren who had been abandoned for 3 days. We were able to help her with diapers, bottles, clothes—nearly everything that a baby needs!” Our families are forever grateful for the dedication and the generous donations that go with the “HCC Closet.” HCC is thankful for Melissa and Brad Juneau for underwriting a majority of the cost for the HCC Warehouse space.



**Now that you know what's in our “HCC Closet”,
we ask you.... “What's in your closet?”**

To schedule a donation – please contact
(713) 524 – 2878





Each year Houston Children's Charity anticipates the "Christmas Magic" that awaits after school starts. As the year comes to a close, organizing three different events for the Holiday Seasons becomes priority one!



Coats for Kids



We asked you to move coats from one "Closet" to another.... and you did so without hesitation and with a BANG!!!!

Over **350 coats** were purchased (valued at \$6,865) and 110 were donated (valued at \$3,300).

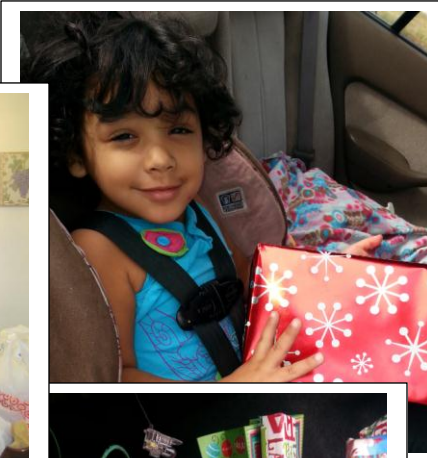
These coats were distributed during the HCC Toys for Tots Toy Distribution at The George R. Brown Convention Center.

Help make “Christmas Magic” happen!



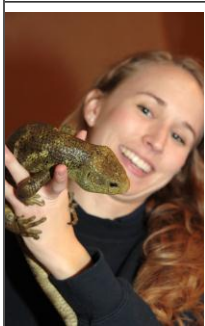
Each year many generous and caring families / organizations from around the greater Houston area contact Houston Children's Charity and want to help make a less fortunate family's holiday brighter.

The enthusiasm was vast in 2013 with over **470 individual & corporate sponsors** participating in the program. Thanks to their generosity, we were able to help **624 families** with **1,872 children**. Each adopting sponsor purchases toys, housewares, clothing and/or other items needed by their individual family. These families have greater needs for their little ones than simply toys. Because of our sponsors ...Christmas miracles do happen!!!



Annual Christmas Party

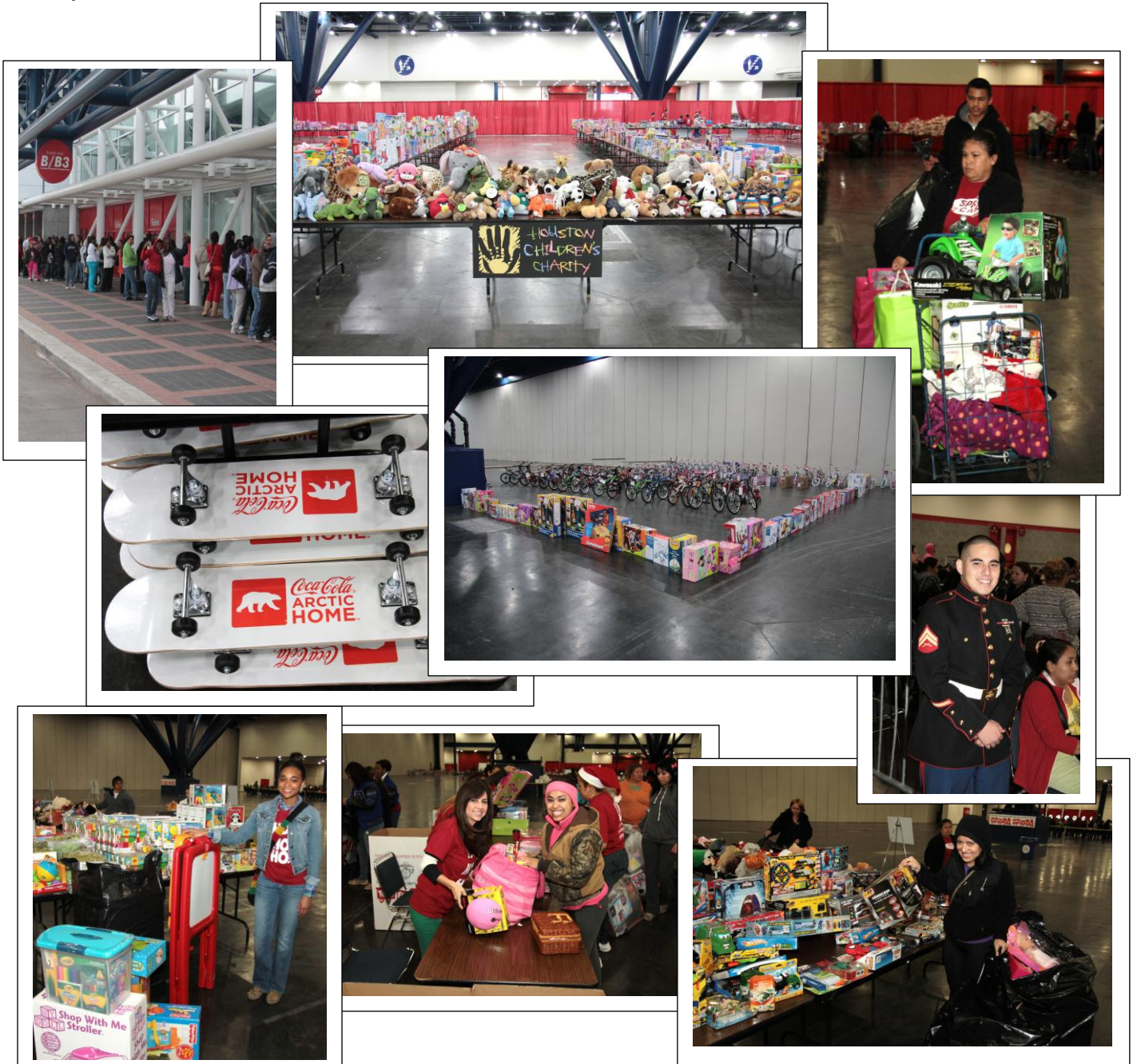
Over 650 children from the Houston area are treated to a day full of memories at the Hyatt Regency Houston Downtown. Amazing memories include toys, goodies, entertainment and, of course, the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus. Each child receives a personally labeled bag of toys. The families enjoy a hamburger/hotdog buffet and an ice cream sundae bar. Holiday entertainment rounds out a fun day for all with Live Animals from Houston Downtown Aquarium, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Clowns, Denim & Diamonds Line Dancers, Matthew Swope "The Rolling Juggler," Houston Rockets Power Dancers & Clutch and Toys for Tots Marines. This event would not be possible without the numerous sponsors and over 150 volunteers.



Toy Distribution

Our toy distribution has grown over the past 6 years. Our gratitude goes out to Sergeant Daniel Hennelly for his assistance in securing and organizing the “Toys for Tots” program. Both The Marine Corp’s Reserves “Toys for Tots” program and Houston First Corporation’s donation of 125,000 square feet at the George R. Brown Convention Center have been influential in expanding our ability to assist more and more children. Each day the quality of volunteers that assist us in distribution was unprecedented. It would not have been a success without the help of sponsors, volunteers and donors alike – WE THANK YOU!

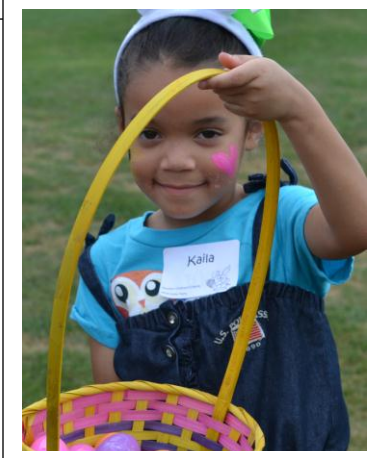
During the two-day distribution, one family member was able to walk through the giant aisles of toys and selected “just the right one” for their children. In 2013, the distribution benefited over 27,000 children.

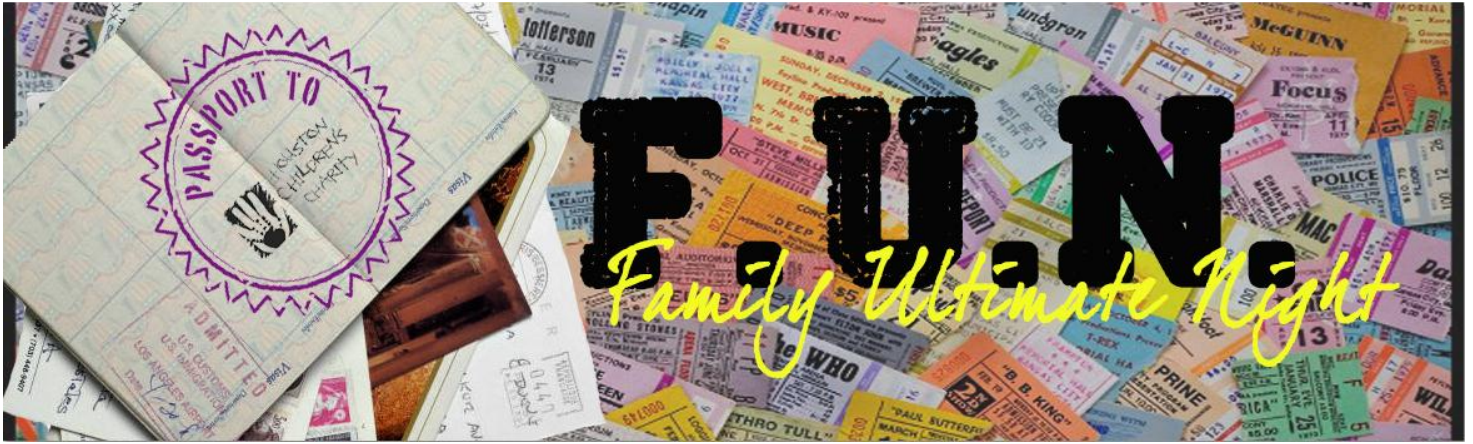


Annual Easter Party

On the grounds of Northland Christian School, over 300 underprivileged children enjoyed the Annual Easter Party festivities. Activities included a petting zoo, pony rides, moon walks, face painting and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Games were played, jewelry was crafted, cotton candy and popcorn consumed and prizes were handed out throughout the event. An Easter Egg Hunt, individual Easter Baskets, stuffed animals, books and board games were distributed to each child.

HCC teamed up with Wendy's Old Fashion Hamburgers and Pepsi to provide the food and drinks for the event. Entertainment came in various forms. The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo – Speakers' Committee Rodeo Clowns donated their time and provided laughs and happy faces to the delight of many children. Children and parents danced to the tunes and enjoyed a performance by PAL dancers (Police Activity League). Dynamo Diesel, Wendy and Cookie Monster walked through the guests and posed for photos. Klein Volunteer Fire Department and the Houston Police Department had vehicles on site for show. Other donations by Randall's, Violeta's Pasteles, James Coney Island, Taco Cabana, Salvace Photography, Brenda Lechuga Family and Northland Christian School helped make this event unforgettable for those deserving children.





Houston Texans Tickets

Tickets donated by Houston Methodist Hospital Texans' Zone

20 tickets were donated to enjoy the Tennessee Titans vs. Houston Texans at NRG Park (formerly Reliant Stadium). David Torres, of Urban Outreach, and Mr. Harrison, Principal at Marshall Middle Academy of Fine Arts, supervised a great game with young Texans' fans.



American Idol LIVE

Tickets donated by NRG Park (formerly Reliant Park)

100 tickets were donated to the American Idol LIVE 2013 Tour at NRG Park. 18 families were able to have a great night enjoying amazing talented artist & music.



Shell and Pennzoil Grand Prix of Houston

Tickets donated by NRG Park

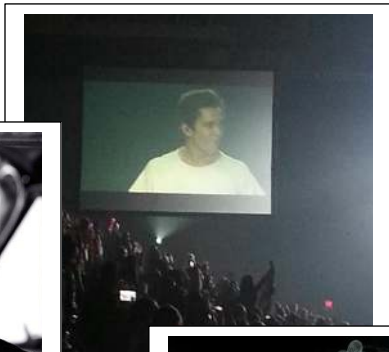
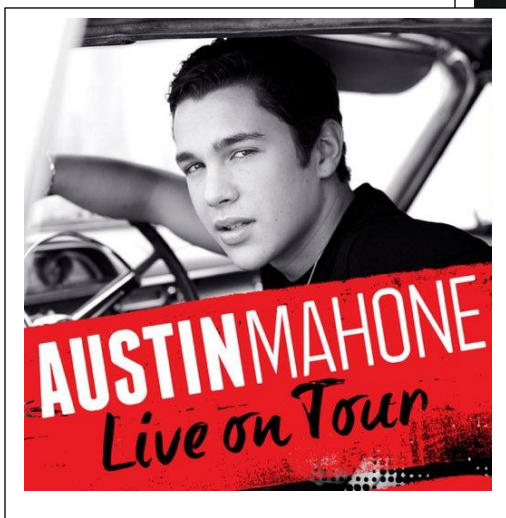
NRG Park graciously donated 100 tickets to the Shell and Pennzoil Grand Prix of Houston. These Grandstand tickets allowed children to watch the excitement on the 1.7 mile temporary street circuit built in and around the NRG Park complex. With the IndyCar Series fans were able to see top speeds of approximately 180 mph.



Austin Mahone Concert

Tickets donated by Seats of Dreams

75 tickets were donated to Houston Children's Charity for the Austin Mahone 2014 Tour. The families of Houston Children's Charity were able to enjoy and experience a full concert for the first time.



Harlem Globetrotters

Tickets donated by 24 Hour Fitness

20 tickets were donated for families to enjoy the antics of the world famous Harlem Globetrotters. The event took place at the NRG Arena (formerly Reliant Arena).



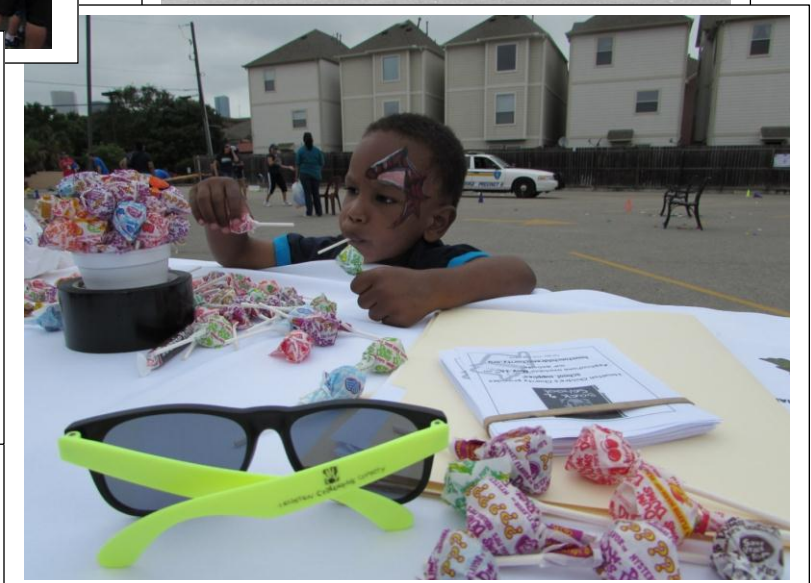


Child Abuse Awareness Field Day

April 26, 2014

Hosted By NHPO Upsilon Sigma National Latin Sorority, Inc., Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc Leadership Institute Alumni Association and DFCH's Dream Team

Houston Children's Charity was invited to share our resources with the local community at Talento Bilingue de Houston. This community outreach outing allowed Houston Children's Charity to promote our services to more families in need around the Houston area.



Concert In The Park

July 11, 2014
Hosted by Keller Williams

Over 200 residents came out to enjoy music on a summer evening in Kingwood, Texas. Houston Children's Charity was honored as the charity of choice for this fun family event. At the end of the night, donations and funds collected through raffle ticket sales raised \$500 to help assist with our "A Better Night's Sleep" program.



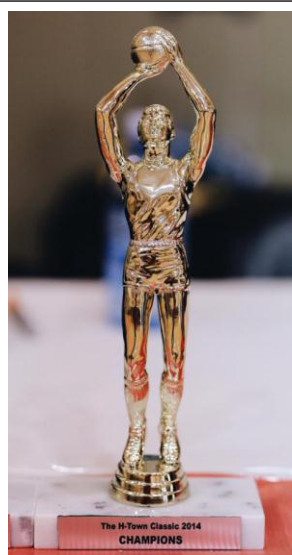
2nd Annual Charity Basketball Tournament

July 26, 2014

Hosted by H-Town Classic

Houston Children's Charity was the benefactor of the H-Town Classic 2nd Annual Charity Basketball Tournament held at The Forge. The amount raised is **\$736**.

The H-town Classic is an annual charity tournament benefiting local charities in the Houston area. The H-Town Classic was created as a fun and interactive way to bring the sports and entertainment community of Houston together to support a worthy cause. The game of basketball is a team building sport and the purpose of the H-Town Classic is to reinforce those principles while promoting unity, health & wellness, sportsmanship, and social responsibility.



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