

Brave Young Hearts

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ANNUAL REPORT 2017

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Message from Papa Bear – President



Dear Friends,

One of the joys of preparing an annual report is that it gives us the opportunity to look back and be thankful for all that has been accomplished. The past fiscal year was filled with wonderful opportunities and many challenges. Some of the highlights were: 6 Adventures provided and 2 fund-raising events.

Brave Young Hearts grants Adventures to children with terminal or life-threatening diseases to provide a Chance at Normal!!!

Brave Young Hearts was incorporated on March 12, 2015, an was granted 501(c)(3) status May 3, 2016.

Brave Young Hearts offers a caring, fun, and positive environment for children fighting their battle with a terminal or life-threatening disease, away from the medical facilities, which fosters a sense of accomplishment and hope, gratification, builds memories, thankfulness, and promotes/reinforces self-respect and self-esteem.

Children with terminal or life-threatening diseases, spend so much time in hospitals and clinics. As a general rule, they miss out on what other children get to do as "normal". For instance, wheelchairs, feeding tubes, suctioning machines, dialysis, and ventilators are these kiddos' normal. Have you ever dreamed of taking a trip to somewhere really special? You plan and dream, and dream and plan, and as the day draws near, your excitement and anticipation make you feel like you're going to burst! Then it happens,... and it's everything you ever hoped it would be!!! The roller coaster effect: once you start the ride, you anticipate that first really big hill...and then... You're off in a swoosh!!!! Excitement abounds!!!! As soon as the ride is over, you want to do that again!!

So it is with children that are enduring the fight against terminal or life-threatening diseases. Maybe, just maybe...they dream and plan and plan and dream of doing something special. This is the reason Brave Young Hearts exists, to grant an adventure, a chance at normal for these kiddos. What if, a child can receive that one opportunity to do that Adventure they have dreamed of?

Thank you! Papa Bear (Kerry Slaven/President)





Our mission at Brave Young Hearts is to grant Adventures to children with terminal or lifethreatening diseases to provide a Chance at Normal!.







Brave Young Hearts Values:

The values of Brave Young Hearts include the pursuit of the following principles:

Possibility: A chance at normal....offering our kiddos help, hope, and believing in them that they have the ability to accomplish their envisioned Adventure.

Commitment: Build relationships and partnerships. Accommodate for the special needs of the child.

Responsibility: Brave Young Hearts will provide the best, safest Adventure and will always go the extra mile for the smile.





DEDICATION

Brave Young Hearts is dedicated to the memory of Bethany (Princess Buttercup) Slaven.



Bethany Elaine Slaven December 30, 2000 - August 31, 2005



BOARD MEMBERS



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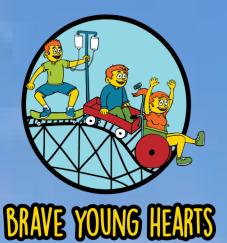
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ADVENTURE IMPACT

6 to 9 May 2017 Denver, Colorado

6 year old Ozzle, is battling Rhabdomyosarcoma, and is a life-long Cubs fan. Ozzle's Adventure was to get to meet the Chicago Cubs when they played the Colorado Rockles on May 8*. The weather clidn't cooperate, the game was called and a make up game was played on the 9th. You guessed it, no batting practice on the 9th. No meeting the Cubs. Sad Bear! However, Ozzle and his family did get a fancy limo ride, had great seats at the game behind the Rockles dugout, and they got to meet Peyton Manning! Prior to coming to Deriver from Bayfield, Ozzle did receive a personal letter and autographed picture from Anthony Rizzo, Cubs Outfleider. Nuthin' but SMILES!!!

"As a survivor of cancer myself, I know the emotional and financial strain the diagnosis of cancer can put on a family." Anthony Rizzo













ADVENTURE IMPACT

20 to 24 May 2017

10 Year Old Korirae, who is defending against Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL), and her family go to go to the YMCA Camp of the Rockles in Estes Park. While there, Korirae celebrated her birthday and did a little fishin' and wildlife viewing. Horseback riding with a steak fry dinner was scheduled....but due to snow, and lots of it.....has been postponed. Stay tuned for further details soon!

Korirae says "Thank You Brave Young Hearts socococo much for the trip to YMCA in Estes Park . Had a great time and the best Birthday ever."





ADVENTURE IMPACT

7 June 2017 Mile High Stadium – Metallica Concert



Alex is a 17 year old young man determined to soundly defeat Astrocytoma glioma!! He had a desire to take his Dad to the Metallica concert in Denver on June 7th!!! Turn it up, play it loud!!!! Tickets just off of the stage gave Alex an optimal viewpoint!! Lightning and rain interrupted the concert, and fittingly, Metallica played Ride The Lightning!!!



Adventure Impact

22 to 25 September, 2017 San Antonio, Texas

Noah, an 8 year old warrior that did not breathe or have a heartbeat for the first 13 minutes of his life causing global brain damage, now battles Spastic Quadriplegia Cerebral Palsy.

He and his family went to both Morgan's Wonderland (a new waterpark designed exclusively for children with special needs) and Sea World.





Adventure Impact

8 to 9 October 2017 Disneyland, Anaheim, California

Andrew, who lives in Arizona and is skirmishing with Cerebral Palsy, requested to go to Disneyland in Anaheim, CA for his 12th birthday and enjoy a character breakfast with his favorite hambone...Stitch!! Since Andrew was going to be in Southern California for his birthday anyway....to learn how to surf, with another Foundation...enter Brave Young Hearts!





Adventure Impact

30 November to 08 December, 2017 Cougar Hunt – Cranbrook, British Columbia, Canada

Nick, who is a passionate sportsman, great shot, and is in pursuit of annihilating that dreaded prey...Leukemia!!! Do you see that smile? It's as big as a mile! To Canada they're off To British Columbia, don't scoff!! Nick on his Adventure, after a big cat! No time for this and surely not for that! A Puma, a Cougar, a stalker in the night... Might be coming home with Nick on the very next flight!!! Oh exuberance, ebullience, and exhilaration abound!!!! First day of his hunt, Nick does what many hunters don't get a chance at...he dropped his Cougar opening morning!!!!









2017 FUNDRAISING

June 10, 2017 Party with a Purpose

Twisted Pine Brewery donated 10% of all sales + Silent Auction



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2017 FUNDRAISING

August 13, 2017 Side By Side Sporting Clays Shoot & Silent Auction Great Guns – Nunn, CO

The 2nd annual Sporting Clays Shoot & Silent Auction was held August 13th, 2017 at Great Guns Sporting Clays, in Nunn, CO.

It was a great day for beginners and expert shooters alike!!! We had 101 shooters, with their families, and plenty of door prizes for everyone, shooting prizes, BBQ, and silent auction!!!





INCOME & EXPENSES

The following is an overview of Brave Young Hearts income and expenses for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

2017 Total Donations - \$46,832.46 2017 Adventure Expenses - \$19,647.79 2017 Fund Raising Expenses - \$9,466.79 2017 BYH Operating Expenses - \$2,605.98 2017 Total Assets - \$25,956.61



Funding Request

"When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand." -Henri Nouwen

Would you please consider partnering as a sponsorship or making a donation? Donations, sponsorships and grants help sustain our organization and benefit the community which we serve!!!

Brave Young Hearts will continue to strive to expand its programs and offerings to the community of children with terminal or life-threatening diseases. We hope that you will be able to take part in one or more of the many exciting events that we are offering this year and experience firsthand the pride we take in supporting our cause.

In order to meet our mission and provide services in our community, we rely on the generosity of individuals and businesses for support. Without the assistance of community-minded individuals just like you, we wouldn't be able to serve those in our community each year.

Brave Young Hearts is seeking \$10,000 as a sponsorship or any portion underwritten for the 3rd Annual Sporting Clays Shoot & Silent Auction to be held on August 12th, 2018.

Brave Young Hearts is seeking grants that will help sustain us from \$25,000 - \$100,000.

Brave Young Hearts is also in need of quality in-kind items for the silent auction, door prizes, and of course....cash donations are always accepted!!!!

All funds will be used to provide Adventures, and donors will receive branding/positioning opportunities, recognition and the perception as a brand that gives back!!!!

Is there an adventure that will be because of you?

Will there be a smile on a child's face and a memory created because of your partnering with Brave Young Hearts?

It is with the greatest of gratitude, that I thank you in advance for joining with Brave Young Hearts!!!!!

Sincerely, Papa Bear (Kerry Slaven/President, Brave Young Hearts)





Brave Young Hearts is tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.



Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

