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Now, 7-years later, life can still be extremely challenging. "She is tube fed, she doesn't walk, she's wheelchair bound," said Caylor.

"She's definitely been robbed of a normal life," she said. "We just realize what her limitations are and we provide other experiences for her." Caylor said Kayley loves to go shopping, take trips to Silver Dollar City, going on walks and meeting new people.

Caylor said one of the biggest challenges in caring for Kayley as she got older became bathing her. She said Children's Miracle Network Hospitals helped the family afford a proper bathroom to make caring for Kayley easier and safer in general.

"To me, as a community, this is what we should be doing," explained Caylor when asked why people should donate to CMN Hospitals. "We should be looking at these kids, they deserve a life just like you and I do or other kids. At no point in my life did I envision raising a child with a major disability and as a nurse, I was unaware of what families go through day-to-day to obtain needed equipment and supplies. It is only after I got Kayley that I discovered the cranks many of us fall through."

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CHANGE KIDS' HEALTH CHANGE THE FUTURE



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Miracles have names:





How does
YOUR SUPPORT
make an impact?

DONOR SUPPORT to Children's Miracle Network Hospitals at CoxHealth has a significant impact on the health and safety of children in the Ozarks.

Last year, our organization spent **\$2,522,230** providing services, purchasing life-saving equipment and supporting families who have a child with an illness or injury. Here are some examples of how your dollars impact the health of our community.

CARE Mobile

With the COVID-19 pandemic stretching resources at local health departments, the CoxHealth CARE Mobile is providing much needed medical services to rural schools in the Ozarks. According to CARE Mobile Coordinator Shannon Jones, the mobile health unit has had substantial growth in the past year, stating:



"We assisted 10 school districts with immunization clinics providing over 250 vaccines to children who needed them to attend school. We also partnered with 6 districts providing flu vaccinations to 477 children."

The mobile unit is providing services in a new van purchased with a grant from Great Southern Bank who has supported the mobile clinic for many years. The van

Read more about how your support makes an impact.







"It was so comforting to know that I didn't have to worry about leaving her to get something to eat while she was sick."

Michelle Thompson

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replaces a much larger, older mobile unit which had become outdated and expensive to repair. Services can be delivered in the van or in school settings depending on the service being provided to children.

The CARE Mobile is currently serving 29 schools across the Ozarks and 1,833 children received services in 2020 which include school and sports physicals, treatment of illnesses such as colds or ear infections and immunizations.

Grants Provide Specialized Equipment for Pediatric Patients

When transporting a child by ambulance to the hospital, moments count. Having the appropriate equipment for a child's age and weight is critical in making sure there is a positive outcome. Thanks to a grant from Children's Miracle Network Hospitals at CoxHealth, EMT's will have a much easier time finding supplies when treating a child in an emergency situation.

Coleena Fletcher, EMT at CoxHealth and her co-workers received a grant from CMN Hospitals for pediatric EMS bags for ambulances and emergency response vehicles. According to Coleena, these bags will give first responders the right tools to treat children in an emergency while transporting them, stating:

"The bags we were using prior to receiving the grant had supplies but they were not organized by age to determine what equipment to use. Staff spent precious time trying to find the different items needed for whatever particular call they were on."

Last year, CMN Hospitals made 22 grants to purchase equipment for pediatric patients. The grant program is offered to CoxHealth departments each year to improve services to patients 0-18. Items purchased in 2020 range from sensory kits for patients in the Child Psychiatric Unit to ventilators used on young patients in the hospital

Sharing Family Time in the Hospital

For a parent who has a child in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit or Pediatric Unit of the hospital, something as simple as having a meal with their child makes a difficult time somewhat easier. CMN Hospitals has supported meals for parents whose children are hospitalized by providing meal trays delivered to the hospital room or a voucher for the hospital cafeteria. In 2020, over 6,000 meals were provided to families like Michelle Thompson whose daughter Daphney was hospitalized at CoxSouth.



2020 Miracle Week Telethon

Presented By:



Many thanks to our donors, sponsors and volunteers who made the 2020 KY3 Miracle Week Telethon, presented by Corwin Automotive, a record year! This allows CMN Hospitals to provide help for children who have special medical needs in our community.

Our thanks to Gold Sponsors:

- BKD CPAs & Advisors
- Dr. Patricia Dix and Tom Brewer
- Heim-Young & Associates
- Pella Products of Arkansas and Missouri
- Rick's Automotive
- Springfield Business Journal



KY3 Miracle Week Telethon went VIRTUAL this year!

Did you know your local Children's Miracle Network Hospitals...

Supports several educational programs?

- 1. WASTED, an anti-drinking and driving program
- **2.** Never Shake a Baby, a program dedicated to preventing Shaken Baby Syndrome
- 3. CARDIAC, a program designed to identify area children and youth that are "at-risk" for developing health problems
- **4.** Bicycle Safety Programs
- 5. Water Safety Programs

Funds travel expenses for out of town medical appointments?

Funds the CoxHealth Child Life Program, which provides fun activities for children during their time in the hospital so they can experience a sense of normalcy?

Helps to fund school-based telemedicine at local schools?

Assists children with prescription medication purchases?

Helps children with all illnesses and injuries including, cancer, diabetes, cystic fibrosis, cerebral palsy, prematurity, and accidents among others?

100% of donations and proceeds help local kids!

Here to Help

Our CMN Hospitals team knows these are challenging times for many families throughout the Ozarks and for some families, they are at their breaking point. These families are often forced to make a decision between paying medical expenses to keep their child healthy, paying the rent, paying the utility bill, or paying to put food on the table.

If you or someone you know is in need of financial assistance to provide medical care for his or her child, please let us know. We can often help with prescriptions, hearing aids, prosthetics, wheelchairs, leg braces, specialized therapies, hospital bills and more.

Our hearts are with you and your Children's Miracle Network Hospitals at CoxHealth is here to help. To determine if you qualify for assistance, simply go to coxhealthcmn.com, complete our application and someone from our team will contact you within 5-7 business days. If you need to contact us immediately, please call 417-269-5437.



calendar of events

Jersey Mike's Month of Giving
March 1-31

Jersey Mike's Day of Giving Wednesday, March 31

Ace Hardware Springfield Round-up at the RegisterApril 1 - 31

IHOP National Pancake MonthApril 1 - 31

MSU Dance Marathon April 24

Medical Mile Virtual 5K/Mile Run June 5-20

Walmart/Sam's Club Campaign June 28 – July 25

Championship Golf Tournament

Pointe Royale Golf Course Branson Sunday, June 27

Scramble for Miracles Golf Tournament Monday, July 12

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