

Marisa Fund

Annual Report
2024

Summary

Every dollar raised in 2024 led to gentler treatments, higher survival rates, and newly directed and targeted therapies with less chemo and radiation. **Since the creation of The Marisa Fund in 2004, we have given over \$1,000,000 to fund research to find a cure.** In that same time we have directly supported over 600 families with apx. \$200,000 in financial assistance. Thanks a Million for all the loving support from our runners, walkers and sponsors. We couldn't do this without each and every one of you.

Our Thanksgiving Day 5 Mile Turkey Trot had a great year with 2,578 participants and \$9,210 in direct donations from race participants. We made \$13,000 in direct donations to local charities including People to People, RCHLEO, RRR Scholarship, CVC Ambulance, Salvation Army and Blue Knights. Additional race proceeds enabled us to donate \$100,000 to the Children's Cancer Fund to support Dr. Cairo's research and treatment.

So many families contact us daily for advice on how to find donations, food, shelter, treatment and support. Last year alone we received over 175 referrals for families in need of financial support. \$15,000 went to direct support for families with shelter insecurity, food insecurity, funerals, child care needs, domestic insecurity. These gifts make big differences in individual lives.

Mission Statement

The Marisa Fund raises money for research, treatment and care of pediatric cancer patients by financing research to find less toxic treatment protocols and by providing financial assistance to families of children with cancer. David Goldwasser established the Marisa Fund following the sad and untimely death of his daughter, Marisa, in 2003. **Our goal is to find the dollar that puts an end to childhood cancer.**

The Marisa Fund has no paid/salaried employees, nor pursues any rich promotional or advertising campaigns. We keep expenses to an absolute minimum so every dollar collected supports its mission.

\$13,000

in direct donations

\$100,000

to support research

\$15,000

to help families

175

families helped

Board of Directors

David Goldwasser

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THE MARISA FUND IS A RECOGNIZED 501(c)(3) CHARITY AND ALL DONATIONS ARE DEDUCTIBLE AS PER TAX LAWS

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