



SPRING/SUMMER  
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Through July 31, World Gold Council  
will generously match your gifts to  
**DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!**

Our Founder Alex Scott  
with her brother Joey

## From Cups to Cures for All Kids



Alex holding a stand in 2001

In 2000, our 4-year-old founder Alex Scott didn't have a cure for her stage IV neuroblastoma. After trying every option available, her family found an experimental treatment. While this did not cure Alex, it did give her four more years of life and inspired her to hold her first lemonade stand with one simple goal:

**“Help doctors help other kids like me.”**

In 2017, a 3-year-old boy named Philip was told that his cancer, the same as Alex's, was incurable. After trying every option available, his family found an experimental treatment, one funded in part by generous supporters like you, through Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (ALSF).

**It worked.**

This new treatment stopped a specific mutation called ALK which was driving Philip's tumor growth. In 2023, Alex's parents found out that same mutation had driven Alex's tumor as well.

**She had found her cure, for other kids like her.**

In 2026, what started with one cup of lemonade has turned into a legacy. Today, the treatment that helped Philip is immediately available for more children like him. And it doesn't stop with Philip. With every stand you hold or donation you make, you continue Alex's mission of finding cures for all kids with cancer.

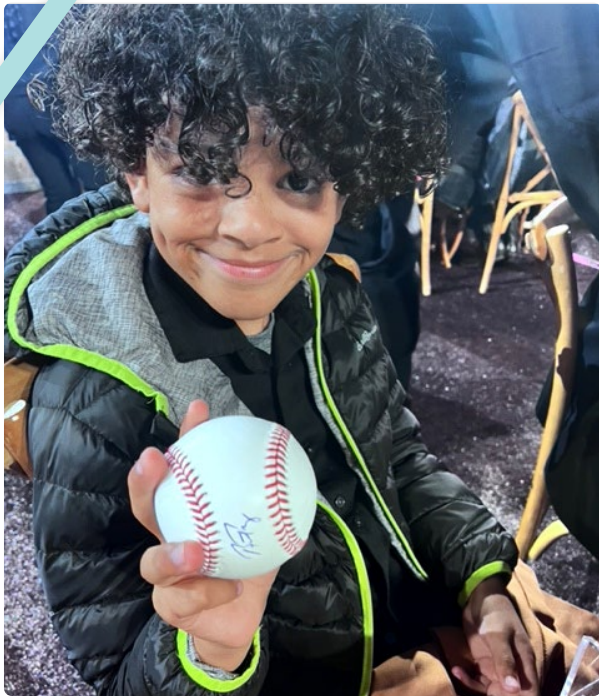
Inside this newsletter, you can read more feel-good stories that donors like you have made possible.



Philip with his parents

Plus, you can help fundraise to find more cures during Lemonade Days in June! It's the best time of year to hold a lemonade stand, and Alex believed that if everyone had lemonade stands, we could find more cures. **Hold your own stand by joining today at [LemonadeDays.org!](https://LemonadeDays.org)**





## Quincy



Quincy was diagnosed with a rare type of leukemia called juvenile myelomonocytic leukemia (JMML) when he was just a baby. Chemotherapy was only making him sicker, but then research funded by supporters like you helped his doctors discover what mutation was driving his cancer. Luckily, there was a therapy ready to treat it, and it gave Quincy his cure!

“Research saves lives. **Research saved Quincy’s life.**” - Lara, Quincy’s mom

## Helping Kids Get Their Cures

Only **18** drugs were FDA approved for childhood cancer before our first grant in 2005.

**Today, more than 60 have been approved for kids with cancer.**

## Lakelynn



At first, no one knew how to help 3-year-old Lakelynn. She had an unknown type of sarcoma wrapped around the nerves in her right arm, making it hard for doctors to treat and painful for her to use. Luckily, your donations helped Dr. Steven DuBois develop a trial drug that has shrunk Lakelynn’s tumor and kept her stable ever since. Today, Lakelynn is no longer a little girl in pain, and that same drug is also helping other children as a safer and effective alternative to chemo.



“Today, three years after the day we were told there was no hope, we find ourselves in the exact opposite position thanks to ALSF.”

- Leslie, Lakelynn’s mom



## Sa'Mari



When 4-month-old Sa'Mari was diagnosed with retinoblastoma not just in her left eye but also her right, she went through the standard method to treat it. But even after removing her left eye, the cancer kept returning in her right. Scared, Sa'Mari's family turned to ALSF. Through our Travel For Care program, we provided financial support for travel that got her to the treatment she needed in Philadelphia from her home two hours away in Baltimore. Today, Sa'Mari is in remission!

“We are truly grateful for the Foundation and it has made our journey a little less tough.”

- Samia, Sa'Mari's mom



**With support from an ALSF grant,** Dr. Ted Johnson opened the clinical trial that helped Lincoln. This trial for a drug called Indoximod has helped hundreds of kids with brain cancers who have no next steps when their cancer relapses. Today, kids from all over the country continue to fly in for this option that gave Lincoln a chance at a cancer-free life.

## Lincoln



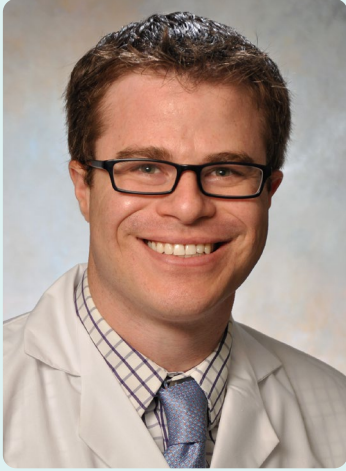
Lincoln's life was forever changed at 3 years old when he was diagnosed with anaplastic ependymoma, an aggressive brain cancer. He relapsed twice before entering a clinical trial that you helped fund in Augusta, GA. With every relapse Lincoln faced, the odds of his cancer returning went up. But the trial thankfully worked for Lincoln, our Travel For Care program got him there from his home in New Hampshire, and today, Lincoln remains in remission!



Lincoln's big sister, Hadley, has also been enrolled as a SuperSib through his fight, receiving support from special mailings and being there for her brother every step of the way.

“ALSF came in and helped our family in ways I cannot express.” - Diane, Lincoln's mom

# Breakthroughs Made Possible By You



Dr. Mark Applebaum at University of Chicago received support to investigate a safer, new method to find neuroblastoma DNA in blood samples. The goal is to replace frequent imaging and painful biopsies, which often require sedation and radiation exposure, which may cause side effects for kids.

So far, his team has looked at nearly 2,000 samples and early analysis showed promising results for the possibility of detecting the amount of cancer DNA circulating. By analyzing how the amount of neuroblastoma cells changes, they can determine if the treatment is effectively reducing the disease.



**Kade's** family relied on support from Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation to get him to treatment. Hundreds of families request similar support for their child each year. By becoming a monthly donor, you can help us be ready when childhood cancer families need us most.



**For just \$5 or more per month, you'll become a member of our One Cup at a Time Club – a community on a mission to change the lives of children with cancer.**



**Scan to Join**



- Partner since 2012
- \$40M+ raised to fight childhood cancer
- Hosts events at network offices across the country, sponsors ALSF special events, Founding Partner of the Young Investigator Summit, The Crazy 8 Initiative and Childhood Cancer Data Lab



- Partner since 2006
- \$13.9M+ raised to help kids fight cancer
- Five Below collects donations in stores across the country, and between May 1 to 31 this year they're doing so again to put the squeeze on childhood cancer

## 3 Ways You Can Turn Lemons into Lemonade Today



### 1. Host a Lemonade Stand

Register online to host your very own fundraiser



### 2. Participate in an Event

Whether you're into family fun, food or fitness – find a special event that's right for you



### 3. Make a Difference

Give online with a one-time or monthly donation



- Partner since 2019
- Nearly \$10M raised for research and family support
- Sells lemon-themed ALDI Finds, encourages employees to host lemonade stands or join in The Million Mile, and matches donations made to ALSF on Giving Tuesday



- Partner since 2012
- Almost \$5M raised for kids fighting cancer
- Shows support by donating \$1.25 for every Alex's Lemonade sold, holding an annual golf tournament, having lemonade stands, hosting childhood cancer families at their restaurants and featuring heroes on their Kids Menu



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