

A Huge Thank You From Our Volunteer Engagement Coordinator, Ashley.



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You are a crucial part of ensuring our kids and their families always have a reason to smile!

So many of our programs have been a long time coming, with Dr. Beary Goode visits returning just a few weeks ago! We have missed having you volunteer at the hospital, bringing joy to the kids through our friendly mascot.

I am beyond thrilled with the dedication that all of you have shown to Children's Health Foundation and helping provide the best possible care and most possible hope to kids facing life-threatening or life-limiting diagnoses.

Each time you adapted by trying a new volunteer opportunity or showed up for an old favourite, you embodied our mission to save and improve children's health and quality of life.

I am so glad to have you all joyfully returning to some of our most beloved in-person volunteer activities - I cannot wait to see how you light up our kids' faces in person once again!

Before we move into these exciting times, I cannot miss thanking you for the past year. 2022-2023 brought lots of challenge and adaptation and you met them all with courage and excitement.

I could not be prouder of all the ways you support our kids and their families on their health care journeys.

Warmly,

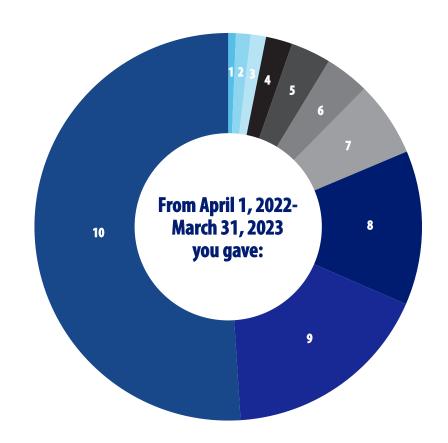
You Helped Transform Our Kids' Care.

Children's Health Foundation is thrilled to have such an incredible team of volunteers. From bringing Dr. Beary Goode to life, to helping at magical events, joining our Youth Philanthropy Group, or sharing the story of your health care journey as an ambassador, you make an incredible difference.

Thanks to your presence, our community learns how our health care partners change the lives of children and youth across Western Ontario by providing them with the best possible care and most possible hope.

We are honoured to work with each one of you.

Your countless hours helped us surpass our 12-million-dollar fundraising goal to help strengthen and transform health care through Children's Hospital, TVCC and Children's Health Research Institute.



- Extra Life London 50+ hours | 20 volunteers
- **Toy Drive** 96 hours | 11 volunteers
- Champion Child
 100 hours | 1 champion
- **Dr. Beary Goode**173+ hours | 77 volunteers
- Children's Hero Ambassadors 260+ hours | 168 volunteers

- Youth Philanthropy Group 290 hours | 17 volunteers
- Signature Events
 491 hours | 176 volunteers
- 50/50 Ticket Sales 1010 hours | 205 volunteers
- Budweiser Gardens
 1368 hours | 315 volunteers
- Leadership Volunteers
 4,000 hours | 37 volunteers

This list is just the beginning of the many ways in which volunteers help our fundraising efforts.





This is my first volunteer experience and I'm not sure why I waited so long to get involved. I enjoy connecting with people who have the same passion to achieve and exceed goals set by the organization. It has been more rewarding than I could have imagined. Helping in person and watching the Winter Ball come to life was incredible. Thank you for letting me be a part of the team.



Volunteering is about giving back but I often feel that I am the one on the receiving end. It's the opportunity to make human connections, share personal stories and life experiences or maybe even to help someone with an introduction that will further their studies or career. It's a front row seat to seeing how many good people do exist in our community and that they care about others. Most important, it's an environment to share a smile and a word of encouragement.







I have been volunteering for the Children's Health Foundation since June 2022. When I was introduced to the Dr. Beary Goode Mascot Program, I was intimidated at first, however, it intrigued me. I am beyond grateful I signed up for it. It has been one of the most amazing and fulfilling experiences that I have been able to take part in. **Stepping into the suit, greeting, hugging and dancing with children, not only puts a smile on the children's and their families' faces but it puts a smile on my face at the end of the day when I go home.** Overall, it is and has been a fun and worthwhile opportunity.



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THANK YOU

Your time and talents inspire our community and help transform kids' health care.



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