

### **GET INVOLVED**

There are countless ways you can participate and make a difference with the Coalition.

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

- Volunteer your time to the CHD Coalition
- Sponsor an event or hold a fundraiser
- Donate prizes, services, or gift certificates
- Make a monetary donation

Your involvement will help continue to provide events and support to the CHD Coalition and community, while delivering even more programs for research and awareness.

Together, we are united to make a change.





# **CONTACT**

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You may have heard of Congenital Heart Defects (CHDs) before, but now it's a part of your life and we know that changes its meaning for you.

CHDs are the #1 birth defect worldwide and are the leading cause of all infant deaths in the US.

CHDs affect the structure and function of the heart and vary in severity. Many children require multiple surgeries to survive, but the surgeries alone are not a cure to the lifelong disease. We know you have countless questions and concerns — and that's where we can help.

The Congenital Heart Defect Coalition is a volunteer-based nonprofit organization devoted to improving the quality of life for children and adults affected by CHDs.

### WHAT WE DO

To attain our goal of helping all those affected by CHDs, we have three pillars that we use to define and pursue our mission — Community, Awareness, and Research. At the CHD Coalition, we're united for change to become the greatest advocates for those affected by a CHD.

#### COMMUNITY

Together we are sharing the same experiences — having people that you can connect with is invaluable.

#### **AWARENESS**

By increasing national public awareness about the severity of CHDs, families will be better educated to make informed decisions, and the need to advance critical research will be recognized.

#### **RESEARCH**

Innovative research and emerging technologies offer an enormous impact on the survival and outcomes from CHDs. Research leads to the creation of new medical procedures, diagnosis, prevention methods, and treatments.





## **WE ARE HERE TO HELP**

We have all been there, and collectively we have endured every phase of the CHD journey. We are here to support and celebrate each other. A community with personal experience with a CHD is an essential resource for advice and sharing.

From hospital recommendations to a shoulder to lean on, we can offer endless resources and a chance to build lifelong friendships.

### **HOW WE HELP**

To date, the CHD Coalition has granted hundreds of thousands of dollars to carefully selected research programs led by renowned research hospitals across the United States.

We lead fundraisers, we connect with hospitals, and we spread the message of hope — but we can't do it alone.



