

OUR MISSION

Together, we create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

OUR WISHES

Wishes typically fall into these five categories:



I WISH TO **go**



I WISH TO **have**



I WISH TO **be**



I WISH TO **meet**



I WISH TO **give**

OUR STORIES

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QUICK FACTS

- Make-A-Wish® is the world's leading children's wish-granting organization, serving children in every community across Canada, and in more than 50 countries worldwide.
- Every two hours, a child in Canada is diagnosed with a critical illness. Research shows that children who have wishes granted experience **improved health outcomes** and increased motivation to continue their treatment.
- Make-A-Wish Canada celebrated 40 years of wish granting in 2023, and has granted more than 40,000 wishes across the country since 1983.
- Make-A-Wish Canada's goal is to bring every eligible child's wish to life. In 2024, we granted 2,011 life changing wishes. But we still have thousands of wishes waiting to be granted.
- A wish is an integral part of a child's treatment journey. Research shows children who have a wish granted can build the physical and emotional strength they need to fight their illness.
- For the wish children and their families, having hope for a better day while facing challenging circumstances helps them persevere through lengthy hospital stays, doctor's visits and painful treatments.
- If you know a family with a child battling a critical illness, share Make-A-Wish Canada's information with them. The road to a wish come true starts when a caring person refers a child to Make-A-Wish. A child can be referred by a parent, guardian, healthcare professional or the child themselves. Please visit makeawish.ca/refer-a-child or call 1-888-822-9474 to learn more.



**Transform lives,
one wish at a time.**

