



FUNDING SOURCES for CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

The following foundations and organizations may be helpful to Euro-Peds patients who have needed financial assistance for intensive therapy, equipment, and/or travel costs. We have noted their general mission and application process here for your convenience. Please feel free to contact them either online or by phone for more specific guidelines and to request a grant.

First Hand Foundation

2800 Rockcreek Parkway
Kansas City, MO 64117
Website: www.firsthandfoundation.org
E-mail: Firsthandfoundation@cerner.com
Phone #: 816.201.1569

The First Hand Foundation helps with clinical necessities (such as medication and surgeries), medical equipment and travel related to a child's care. Additionally, the Foundation implores doctors, hospitals and equipment providers to discount their services below listed prices. Funding is distributed directly to the child's immediate healthcare provider.

An application and financial guidelines may be found on their website, www.firsthandfoundation.org under "Request Our Help" button.

Prayer Child Foundation

3903 E. Huber St.
Mesa, AZ 85205
Administrator: Laura Dobbins
Website: www.Prayerchildfoundation.org
E-mail: info@prayerchild.org
Phone #: 480.889.6141

The Foundation seeks to provide this assistance to living children that are eighteen years old and younger with physical and emotional challenges. The Foundation provides support to national children's charities, individuals and organizations located within our supporters' local communities. Every month,

the Board of Directors of the Prayer Child Foundation meets to review grant requests. Based on the funding available that given month, requests are approved or denied. A letter is distributed to the requestors advising them of the status of their submission. Most requests are addressed within 4-6 weeks of being received.

Sunshine Foundation - Headquarters

1041 Mill Creek Drive

Feasterville, PA 19053

Website: www.sunshinefoundation.org

E-mail: philly@sunshinefoundation.org

Phone #: 215.396.4770

Fax #: 215.396.4774

Sunshine Foundation's sole purpose is to answer the dreams of chronically ill, seriously ill, physically challenged and abused children ages three to eighteen, whose families cannot fulfill their requests due to the financial strain that the child's illness may cause.

Criteria to Refer a Child:

- The child must be between the ages of 3-18.
- The child must be seriously or terminally ill, physically challenged or abused.
- The child must be a citizen of the United States
- Sunshine does not fulfill requests for children or any other family members who have had a previous dream granted by Sunshine Foundation or any other organization. Sunshine Foundation grants ONE DREAM PER FAMILY.

The Luke Billings Foundation (for Ohio Families only)

www.lukebillingsfoundation.org

The purpose of **The Luke Billings Foundation** for the treatment of children with Cerebral Palsy (a donor advised fund under the Columbus Foundation), is to offer financial help to Central Ohio children with CP, so they can receive ongoing and necessary therapy. One such avenue is intensive and episodic physical therapy.

Go to their website, www.lukebillingsfoundation.org "Contact Us" form to submit your request for information or questions.

Danielle's Foundation

One Liberty Place

1650 Market Street 36th FL

Philadelphia, PA 19103

www.Daniellesfoundation.org

Email: info@daniellesfoundation.org

Toll Free: (800) 511-2283

Danielle's Foundation realizes how difficult it is for parents of children with cerebral palsy and brain injury to get their children the therapies and medical equipment they desperately need. In an effort to provide financial assistance, each quarter one deserving family will be awarded a grant of typically \$2,000 (although it can range up to \$5,000 depending on the funds the foundation has available) to help get this necessary care that insurance has denied.

The grant will be given out four times a year, with the following deadlines:

- March 31
- June 30
- September 30
- December 31

Your child must have a diagnosis of cerebral palsy or brain injury, and you must be requesting the grant for assistance towards a specific therapy or medical equipment. For more information and to receive an application please contact their toll free hotline **1.800.996.1148**

Kya's Crusade

947 E. Johnstown Rd., Ste. 143

Gahanna, OH 43230

Website: www.kyaskrusade.org

E-mail: info@kyaskrusade.org or financialassist@kyaskrusade.org

Phone #: 614.750.2198

Fax #: 614.478.3223

Contact: Kylie Miles (Co-founder, Chief Executive Officer & Development Director), kylie@kyaskrusade.org

Kya's Crusade provides two types of Financial Assistance Grants to help families with expenses not covered by insurance:

1. Adaptive Equipment [Up To \$1,000]
2. Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Hippotherapy Sessions [Up To \$500]

Who is eligible to receive financial assistance?

Children under the age of 18 with a confirmed diagnosis of a life-long physical disability affecting the child's motor skills, for which physical/occupational therapy is part of the treatment regimen, are eligible to receive financial assistance. For guidelines on granting requests, go to www.kyaskrusade.org under "Programs & Services," "Financial Assistance" buttons.

Change a Life Foundation (California only)

5 Corporate Park, Suite #210

Irvine, CA 92606

www.changealife.org

E-mail: bwalters@changealife.org

Phone #: 949.788.9999

Fax #: 949.788.9266

Contact: Brenda Walters, Program Officer

Miles for Special Smiles

(currently only granting to Kent County & Ottawa County, Michigan, residents)

3272 Rosewood Street

Hudsonville MI 49426

www.milesforspecialsmiles.com

E-mail: info@milesforspecialsmiles.com

Phone #: 616.371.1155

Children must qualify for Special Education Services or Have a Diagnosed Disability. Children must be under the Age of 21 and currently resided in Kent or Ottawa County, Michigan. Medical services must help the child advance. Parents are given a fundraising goal as part of our efforts. MfSS will expand the geographical area as we grow. Miles for Special Smiles is a non-profit organization dedicated to help disabled children reach their God-given potential. Our goal is to empower local families in the acquisition of equipment or therapy by providing financial assistance to those that lack the resources needed to attain the medical services for their children. MfSS believes every child should have access to services that will help him or her become a success story.

Variety, The Children's Charity - "Kids On the Go!" program

5757 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 445

Los Angeles, CA 90038

Website: www.usvariety.org

E-mail: Erica@usvariety.org

Phone #: 323.954.0820

Fax #: 323.954.8630

Contact: Erica Lopez, Communications Coordinator

Variety-The Children's Charity's *Kids On The Go!* Program provides equipment to enable children to participate in their communities. Variety helps children with disabilities, 21 years of age and younger by providing enabling equipment (wheelchairs, van lifts, house ramps, adaptive car seats & strollers, specially-equipped bicycles & tricycles, stairlifts, and other items) and assistive technology and communication devices, when this equipment cannot be obtained from any other source.

An application is made available on their website, www.usvariety.org, or by emailing Erica Lopez at Variety at Erica@usvariety.org. The application will require a letter from your child's treating therapist. Please inquire about getting a letter from your Euro-Peds therapist.

The United Healthcare Children's Foundation

P.O. Box 41

Minneapolis, MN

Web: www.unitedhealthcarechildrensfoundation.org / or www.uhccf.org/

Phone: 800.328.5979 or 952.992.4459 (voice mail line only)

- The United Healthcare Children's Foundation offers support to meet the needs of children nationwide with financial assistance grants for health care services that are not fully covered by their health insurance. Parents and caretakers are eligible to apply for grants of up to \$5,000.00 for health care services that will help improve a child's quality of life.

The child needing services must:

- Be under 17yrs. of age and live in any United Healthcare region of the United States
- Be covered by a commercial health insurance policy (available through an employer)
- Have an insurance policy that has limitations on the health care service needed, does not cover the service at all, and/or the required co-payments will be a serious financial burden on the family
- Live in a family whose adjusted gross income does not exceed \$20, 000 for each individual in the home
- There are no other financial resources to meet this health care need

Disabled Children Relief Fund

P.O. Box 89

Freeport, New York 11520

Phone: 516.377.1605

Web: www.dcrf.com

A potential resource for children throughout the United States who are under age 18 and do not have adequate health insurance. Financial assistance provided for assistive devices and rehabilitation services. Although there are no restrictions on the type or eligible disabilities, preference is given to applications that benefit children with physical challenges in need of prosthetic and other assistive devices (not computers). The amount of financial assistance is generally between \$25 and \$200 and is most often for wheelchairs, orthopedic braces, walkers, lifts, hearing aids, eyeglasses, medical equipment, physical therapy, and surgery. Visit their website for a lengthy listing of the types of services and equipment funded most often.

AMBUCS

P.O. Box 5127

High Point, NC 27262

Phone: 800.838.1845

Fax: 336.852.6830

Email: amtryke@ambucs.org

Web: www.ambucs.com

AMBUCS Inc. is a national service organization dedicated to creating mobility and independence for persons with disabilities. One of their missions is to provide AmTrykes, adapted bikes and tricycles for children with disabilities. Visit the websites for more information about the AmTryke Project, products and accessories.

Wheelchair Foundation World Headquarters

3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle

Danville, California 94506

Phone: 877.378.3839 (toll free) or 925.791.2340

Fax: 925.791.2346

Email: info@wheelchairfoundation.org

A nonprofit organization leading an international effort to create awareness of the needs and abilities of people with physical disabilities, to promote the joy of giving, create global friendship, and to deliver a wheelchair to every child, teen and adult in the world, who needs one, but cannot afford one.

Wheels For The World

Joni and Friends Headquarters

P.O. Box 3333

Agoura Hills, CA. 91376-3333

Phone: 818.707.2391

TTY: 818.707.9707

Web: www.joniandfriends.org

Wheels for the World aims to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the disabled around the world by providing wheelchairs and sharing the love of Jesus Christ. They do this by connecting the disabled with the church through creating disability awareness and by educating and training the local churches and disability ministry. The Joni and Friends Christian Fund for the Disabled also offers funding for assistive equipment as well as special education. Requests must be channeled through a Christian church or area Joni and Friends coordinator. Contact the main office at the address, phone number, or website above.

Patient Access Network Foundation (PAN)

P.O. Box 221858
Charlotte, NC 28222-1858
Phone: 1.866.316.7263
Fax: 1.866.316.7261

An independent non-profit established in 2004 and dedicated to assisting patients who cannot afford the out-of-pocket costs associated with their treatment needs.

To be eligible for assistance, you must be a U.S. resident and meet certain financial, insurance, and medical criteria established by the Foundation's board of directors.

All applications must be verified by patients and their physicians and be supported by appropriate documentation including income verification
You can start the application process for yourself or on someone else's behalf one of two ways:

1. Call 1.866.316.PANF (7263) A dedicated PAN counselor will work with you directly to help you:

- Assess your eligibility for assistance.
- Provide you with an application for assistance.
- Complete your application.
- Answer questions regarding the application process.

2. [Start Application Online](#)

Complete a pre-screen online, print and fill out the PDF application provided after the pre-screen, and submit it by mail or fax.

All applications and accompanying materials can be submitted by:
Mail or Fax (see address and FAX # above.)

The North Oakland Foundation's *Adopt A Euro-Kid* program

461 West Huron Street
Pontiac, MI 48341
Website: www.northoaklandfoundation.org
E-mail: tdelaere@dhofm.com
Phone #: 248.857.7096
Contact: Theresa DeLaere, Director

Through their "*Adopt A Euro-Kid*" scholarship program, The North Oakland Foundation currently grants up to \$1500 per family towards therapy costs at Euro-Peds (amount subject to change). You may apply for a grant after your application to Euro-Peds is approved. The *Adopt A Euro-Kid* scholarship application can be printed from a link on the Euro-Peds website at www.europeds.org/pdf/Adopt_a_Euro-kid_Application_and_letter_DHM_1.10.pdf

You may also go to www.northoaklandfoundation.org for more information on their mission.

Wings of Mercy East Michigan

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Contact: Suzanne Rutkowski

Wings of Mercy East Michigan, a non-profit charity, is assisting families with ill children by flying these young patients to medical facilities for treatment for free. Founded in 1996 by a group of pilots from the Midland-Saginaw-Bay City Michigan area, it is the sister organization to Wings of Mercy, Inc. which services the western half of Michigan and persons who required specialized medical treatment at distant medical centers. Wings of Mercy East Michigan serves a radius of approximately 500 miles.

New Gateways, Inc.

7100 Lindenmere
Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48301

Working with challenged children and adults to help them have a better life.

Lend A Helping Hand, Inc.

P.O. Box 1080
Clarkston, Michigan 48347

Charity, Fundraising, Medical Expenses, Terminal Illness, Cancer, Catastrophic Illness, Medical Insurance

Farmington Hills/Farmington Community Foundation

35560 Grand River
P.O. Box 351
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48335

Non-Profit Charitable Organization