



Imagine spending your birthday in the hospital. Or Halloween or your entire summer vacation. Hope for Henry does and is determined to give kids spending these special days – and all the days in between – as normal and fun, yes fun, experience as possible.

Hope for Henry Brings Smiles to Thousands of Hospitalized Children

Hope for Henry serves patients, ages 2-21, with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses through the following programs:

Gifts for Patients. A diagnosis of leukemia, lymphoma or neuroblastoma significantly disrupts a child's quality of life. Instead of going to school, camp or sports activities, these kids spend much of their time in the hospital seeking treatment and waiting to get better. Hope for Henry gives them gifts like iPods, portable DVD players and gaming systems, and digital cameras to provide hours of entertainment and break the monotony of the hospital stay.

Celebrations. Because their immune systems are weak, young patients undergoing bone marrow transplant or chemotherapy often cannot attend birthday parties or go to crowded public places like movies or amusement parks. Throughout the year, Hope for Henry sponsors events like Halloween parties, summer carnivals, superhero celebrations and book parties so they don't miss out on the joys of childhood.

Gifts for Hospitals. Hope for Henry provides hospital clinics with computers, flat screen TVs, gaming systems, musical instruments and other gifts that entertain, provide distraction from painful procedures and fill down time with fun.

Hope for Henry's Birthday Program is a Huge Hit

Kids love birthdays. Before they memorize their phone numbers or addresses, they know the date of their birthday. They plan their parties – bowling, laser tag, dress up, sleepover – all year long. While each kid is unique, one thing is for sure, none of them plans to spend their special day in the hospital without friends, decorations or even a cake. That's why we launched It's Your Birthday from Hope for Henry!

We ensure that these kids never face the prospect of a cheerless birthday. We can throw a party on a moment's notice by pre-selecting the most popular birthday themes – like SpongeBob, Batman, Disney Princesses, Pokemon, Elmo – and having everything at-the-ready to have a fun, colorful, surprise-filled party in the child's hospital room.

In the past year, Hope for Henry has hosted birthday celebrations for more than 150 children at hospitals around the country.



"This is the best thing that has happened to me since my leukemia was diagnosed."

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"Wow. I can't believe someone would give this to me. I am so lucky!"

Since 2003, Hope for Henry has:

- Provided more than 900 seriously ill children with brand-new, high-end portable electronics.
- Hosted Superhero Celebrations, Summer Carnivals, Harry Potter Book Parties and Halloween Parties for 4,000 children.

How You Can Help

There are so many ways in which you can help Hope for Henry improve the lives of children fighting cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. You can:

- Make a donation today by sending a check to Hope for Henry, PO Box 39133, Washington, DC 20016 or donating online at www.hopeforhenry.org.
- Collect and donate new books for children of all ages to contribute to Hope for Henry Reads, a program that brings the magic of reading and hosts visits from children's book authors.
- Assemble and donate themed birthday boxes to ensure that hospitalized children have special celebrations on their special day. Please email laurie@hopeforhenry.org for a list of items to include.
- Host a community fundraiser like a talent show, band showcase, lemonade or snowcone stand, or new book or toy collection to raise money, collect gifts, and build support for Hope for Henry.