







Resource Book

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The C4 Story

The C4 mission is to unite the unique talents and skills of the various childhood cancer organizations to collectively provide the best, most comprehensive care and services for children with cancer and their families in the Greater Richmond area.



Member Pages



American Cancer Society

Mission: The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service.

History: The American Cancer Society was founded in 1913 as the American Society for the Control of Cancer 15 prominent physicians and business leaders in New York City.

Services: The American Cancer Society provides a wide array of programs for cancer patients and their families. A few examples include: *I Can Cope*, an educational program for people facing cancer – either personally or as the caregiver; *Road to Recovery*, which provides transportation for cancer patients to their treatments and home again; and *College Scholarship Program* for survivors of childhood cancer who are going on to attend an accredited two- or four-year institution.

Contact information:

(800) ACS-2345 (National Cancer Information Center)

(804) 527-3712 (Local Office)

www.cancer.org



ASK

Association for the Support of Children with Cancer

Mission: ASK's mission is to make the lives of children with cancer better and offers financial, emotional, spiritual, and social support for children with cancer and their families in Central Virginia.

History: The Association of the Support of Children with Cancer was founded in 1975 by a small group of parents of pediatric cancer patients at the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center. They joined together to provide mutual support, to search for answers together and to deal with the diagnosis of childhood cancer.

Services: ASK supports the Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Clinic and Services at VCU Medical Center and all of the children with cancer and their families who receive treatment via the VCU Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology. ASK supports vital professional positions such as Child Life Specialists, Chaplain, Nurse Practitioners, and Program Coordinator who work directly with the children and families. Many programs offered by ASK strive to provide normal life experience for the children during treatment and on into survivorship, include activities and programs such as Family 2Family and Support Groups, First Step and Summer Enrichment Educational programs. Other activities include a salon day for the teen girls, laser tag for boys, family picnics, trips to Kings Dominion, Holiday parties, Day at the Zoo, Christmas in July and ongoing celebrations. ASK provides a Chaplains discretionary fund to assist with the financial burdens of childhood cancer. ASK routinely honors its children through the Courageous Kids project and the High School graduation. ASK is a vital presence in the Young Adult Survivors Group and the bi-annual survivors conference.

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Association for the Support of Children with Cancer

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Katie Barber, Child Life Therapist
Leslie Wright, Program Coordinator

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Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation

Mission: The mission of Candlelighters is to provide information and awareness for children and adolescents with cancer and their families, to advocate for their needs, and to support research so every child survives and leads a long and healthy life.

History: Candlelighters was founded in 1970 by parents of children with cancer in the Washington DC area. They initially were the voice of children with cancer to government during the writing of Nixon's Cancer Act. They then branched out across the country with parent support groups while publishing resources specific to the needs of the nation's childhood cancer patients.

Services: Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation is the leading distributor of free childhood cancer resources in the country. Books cover all age groups at diagnosis from preschooler to teen, as well as parents, siblings and school teachers. Candlelighters' hosts the nation's largest childhood cancer awareness event in Washington DC, each holiday season. Candlelighters' represents childhood cancer on numerous national committees including C-Change, The Alliance for Childhood Cancer, the FDA's patient consultant program, and the National Coalition for Cancer Research.

Local Affiliate: Candlelighters has over 40 local affiliates across the country that provides local support programs such as support group meetings, special family events, and financial assistance.

Contact information:
(800) 366-2223 (CCCF)
(301) 527-3712 (Local Affiliate)
www.candlelighters.org
staff@candlelighters.org

Candlelighters of DC Metro Area
703-590-4134 (Lisa Tignor)
Email: ltignor@comcast.net



Connor's Heroes Foundation

Mission: Our mission is to build a community of heroes to ease the burden of childhood cancer today and to help find a cure for tomorrow. We strive to conquer childhood cancer by providing assistance to pediatric cancer patients and families, promoting public awareness, and funding pediatric focused cancer and bone marrow research.

History: Connor's Heroes Foundation was founded in May 2006 by Lisa Spickler Goodwin and Steven Goodwin after their son Connor ended two and a half years of treatment for Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. In January 2007, they started the Heroes Bags and Backpacks program. Connor's Heroes Foundation also established the Pediatric Cancer Research Endowment Fund to be jointly managed by the Virginia Commonwealth University Department of Pediatrics and the VCU Massey Cancer Center. The fund's ultimate goal, once fully endowed at the \$1 million dollar level, is to recruit a nationally recognized pediatric cancer researcher to VCU.

Services: Connor's Heroes Foundation is a local organization that provides assistance to families and children being treated at Children's Medical Center at VCU Health System in Richmond, VA. Connor's Heroes Foundation provides Heroes Bags and Backpacks to every child, up to the age of 20, diagnosed with cancer and their family and to every child who has a recurrence. They also provide bereavement bags to every family who loses a child to cancer and computers for children with cancer (desktop or laptop). In addition, Connor's Heroes helps to support pediatric patients on the bone marrow transplant unit by decorating rooms pre-arrival, providing sitters for parents, and providing items for the unit such as reclining chairs and exercise bikes. Another service provided is Heroes Connections, which provides opportunities for pediatric cancer patients to meet heroes such as musicians, sports figures, actors, firefighters, etc.

Contact information:
Connor's Heroes Foundation
P.O. Box 2536
Midlothian, VA 23113
(804) 221-8991

Patients' and/ or their families can go to www.connorsheroes.org and click on the REGISTER A PATIENT tab to register with this organization. They may also contact Lisa Goodwin at lisa@connorsheroes.org or (804) 305-4280.



Comfort Zone Camp

Mission: To offer a fun and safe place for grieving children.

History: Founded in 1998 by Lynne and Kelly Hughes, Comfort Zone is the nation's largest bereavement camp for children ages 7-17 who have lost a parent, sibling, or significant loved one. Lynne, having suffered her own loss of her mother at age 9 and her father at age 12, knows what childhood grief feels like and created CZC as a resource for grieving children; A place where children can mourn their losses. A place where children don't have to feel alone, but also a place where kids can be kids again.

Services: Comfort Zone welcomes children ages 7 to 17 from across the United States who have experienced a significant death of a parent, sibling, or caregiver. Camps are free (offering travel scholarships) and held in Virginia, New York/New Jersey, Southern California, and Massachusetts. Each camp typically serves 60 to 70 campers, each of who is paired with a volunteer "Big Buddy". Comfort Zone provides a unique camp experience, merging the tools to help children cope with their loss within the traditional, fun camp environment. Kids are invited to participate in activities, games, arts and crafts, and great campfires and healing circles led by grief counselors. A memorial service, which can be attended by campers' family members, is held at the end of each camp. Most grieving children have not met another child who has experienced a significant death. Comfort Zone breaks their isolation and lets them know they are not alone. Here kids can meet kids who have also experienced a loss while they are actually going through the grieving process themselves.

Contact information:

Comfort Zone Camp

"A fun and safe place for grieving children"

4906 Cutshaw Avenue 2nd Floor

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Full Circle Grief Center

Mission: To provide children with creative ways to express their grief and remember their loved one.

History: Full Circle Grief Center was created in September 2008 to help meet the needs of grieving children in the Richmond area. The Center provides “hands on healing” for grieving children and their families through counseling services, remembrance programs, and educational support.

Services: The organization enables children, teens, young adults, and parents/guardians to use creative expression to assist them in experiencing their grief and facilitate the healing process. Art, writing, music, scrapbooking, crafts, sculpting, photography, movement, play, and other hands-on activities are used to enhance communication, express feelings, and release stress and anxiety.

The following programs/services are provided:

Grief Counseling - Individual, family, and peer group counseling services are offered by a licensed grief counselor for children and young adults from ages 3 to 23 as well as their primary caregivers. The Community Outreach program enables grief counselors to visit a neighborhood, school, or community organization to hold short-term group meetings with children experiencing loss. When needs are beyond our beyond Full Circle Grief’s scope of services, referrals to other mental health providers or community agencies are provided.

Education – Through the “Conversations about Grief” educational series, adults learn how to talk with children about grief and loss, ways to support children through death, and common myths about children and grief. Additionally, an extensive grief and loss library is provided to families experiencing loss.

Remembrance Programs – To commemorate their loved ones, remembrance programs are available for families facing the death and dying process. These workshops help children and their caregivers process their feelings of loss through art and other expressive methods.

Contact information:

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To register for a counseling group please call Susie Nash at (804) 241-9662 or e-mail Susie at Susie@fullcirclegriefcenter.org

www.fullcirclegriefcenter.org



Grief Resource Center

Mission:

History: Jill Fitzgerald, LCSW, started The Grief Resource Center in 1997.

Services: The Grief Resource Center is a private practice specializing in individual family therapy geared towards loss, grief, and bereavement. They offer support for families dealing with anticipatory grief as well as bereavement services following a loss. The Grief Resource Center also consults with community agencies for training and educational workshops and crisis de-briefings. A resource library is also available.

Contact information:

Jill Fitzgerald, LCSW
3932 Springfield Road
Glen Allen, VA 23060

Jill Fitzgerald
By Appointment Only

(804) 257-9348 or (804) 360-2884



Hopecam, Inc.

Mission: Using technology to make a difference in the lives of children with cancer by fighting loneliness, giving hope and speeding the transition back to a normal life.

History: Since being founded in 2002 by a parent whose child was diagnosed with leukemia, Hopecam has connected dozens of children with their friends, classmates, and families. Recognizing the critical need for socialization, Hopecam seeks to bridge the lonely divide between homebound children and their friends at school during this frightening time. Staying connected to school significantly reduces the stress of re-entry when treatment is completed and children resume a normal life.

Services: Hopecam helps connect homebound children undergoing treatment for cancer with their friends at school using laptops, high-speed Internet connections and web cameras. Equipment and services are provided for free to the child and the school. Hopecam currently does not provide these services to children who are homebound but do not have cancer.

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www.hopecam.org



LINC

Legal Information Network for Cancer

Mission: LINC is a nonprofit, community-based organization dedicated to helping people with the business side of cancer. Serving the Central Virginia community, LINC provides information, education, counseling and referral services for legal assistance to individuals confronted with the overwhelming issues that arise from the diagnosis and treatment of cancer.

History: LINC was founded by two cancer survivors who found during their treatment that it is very hard to concentrate on getting well when you are being assailed by everyday matters. LINC provides legal debt management services to people with cancer and their caregivers. We also provide referrals to community resources.

Services: LINC provides legal and debt management services to people with cancer and their caregivers such as wills, insurance & disability, powers of attorney, custody of minor children, Medicare/Medicaid/social security, estate planning, employment discrimination, eviction or other housing concerns, taxes, bankruptcy, etc. We are a regional organization but can take calls from any cancer patient in need of services, within the state of Virginia.

Contact information:

www.cancerlinc.org

(804) 378-LINC (5462) LOCAL

(877) 644-LINC (5462) TOLL FREE

**Sharon Caldwell, Outreach and Education
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**Tammi Nichols, Outreach and Education
(Crater Area Health District)**

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The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS)

Mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

History: The de Villiers family founded The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in 1949, following the death of their son from Leukemia in 1944. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society®, headquartered in White Plains, NY, with 67 chapters in the United States and Canada, is the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services. LLS has invested more than \$600 million in research specifically targeting leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma. In 2007 alone, LLS made 5.1 million contacts with patients, caregivers, and healthcare professionals.

Services: The LLS provides patient aid such as financial assistance with specific drugs, treatments, and travel expenses; the patient must be enrolled before assistance is given. A copay assistance program is also offered for those finding it difficult to afford drug copays or health insurance monthly payments. LLS offers family support groups who provide a mutual support in a safe environment for patients and their family members (for more information about your area group please contact the numbers below). A peer-to-peer support program called First Connection is offered for newly diagnosed patients from trained volunteers who have been there and have been in remission for at least 2 years. The school re-entry program provides free videos and literature to schools, parents, and treatment centers to help transition children with cancer (all types) from treatment to school. LLS also provides advocacy services, information and referral services, volunteer development, and educational programs for patients, family members, and healthcare professionals.

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Toll Free: (800) 766-0797
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Fax: (757) 723-4056

For Additional Help, Please contact the *National Information Resource Center* at (800) 955-4572



Little Louie Foundation

Mission: To help as many families as we can in Louie's memory, as well as help researchers find a cure for this disease.

History: Little Louie Foundation began when Pat & Erin Cuomo's son, Louis Patrick, was diagnosed with a brain tumor in April 2006. The original intention of the fund was to help pay for Louie's treatments and needs over the next year. Louie never got the chance to fight through those treatments; he died in May, just one month after his original diagnosis. To honor his memory, and to fight this awful disease, the Cuomos have decided to continue Louie's fund by creating the Little Louie Foundation. As of July 2006, Little Louie is a non-profit organization, recognized by the IRS.

Services: When a child is diagnosed with brain cancer, the Little Louie Foundation supplies the patient's family with a care package. Included in the package are food cards for the food court in the hospital, gas cards, phone cards, snacks, pocket change, and other necessities for the family members of the diagnosed child.

Upon request, they are also able to provide financial assistance directly to the family. Financial assistance is given to families who must meet a minimum number of requirements as determined by the financial application.

Little Louie Foundation also takes a percentage of their funds each year and donates them to pediatric brain cancer research facilities. It is so important for us to help find a cure for brain cancer.

Social workers and other hospital staff give an initial care package to any family of a child diagnosed with a brain tumor. Thereafter, the social worker will determine the financial need for each particular family and fill out applications accordingly.

Contact information:

www.myLLF.org

(888) 509-0681



Noah's Children

Mission:

History: A colorful Noah's Ark collage created by a local kindergarten class was the inspiration for Noah's children. Today, it is one of only a few programs of its kind in the country. Founded in 1997 by Richmond pediatrician Bob Archuleta, Noah's Children serves a critical need as Central Virginia's only pediatric hospice and palliative care program.

Services: Noah's Children serves patients from birth through 17 years of age with a life threatening condition who will likely die in childhood or as a young adult. They also provide services to families whose unborn child has been diagnosed with a life threatening condition. Any child who meets the eligibility requirements will not be denied care regardless of ability to pay. Noah's Children services are designed to help fulfill physical, psychological, social, and spiritual goals while remaining sensitive to a family's developmental, cultural, and religious values, beliefs and practices.

Noah's Children provides: end of life planning and care, pain and symptom management, IV therapy, disease management, wound care treatment, medication management, social and emotional support, spiritual support, and bereavement support.

Contact information:

Noah's Children
413 Stuart Circle, Suite 210
Richmond, VA 23220

(804) 213-0360
www.noahschildren.com



Patient Advocate Foundation

Mission:

History: Nancy Davenport-Ennis, a two-time breast cancer survivor, founded Patient Advocate Foundation in 1996 in memory of Cheryl Grimmel, a 31-year-old parent of a 12-year-old son and a breast cancer patient who died after battling the disease for three years. Cheryl provided inspiration for Nancy to become personally involved in insurance reform and patient education on behalf of cancer patients through their friendship and Cheryl's valiant example as she battled with both the disease and her insurer.

Services: Patient Advocate Foundation offers many programs and educational opportunities for patient's nationwide including direct case management assistance, internet patient services, ongoing live chats, PAF-authored publications, state, local and national outreach, and projects targeting specific patient populations. PAF addresses three major issues relating to a chronic debilitating condition: job retention, debt crisis, and insurance issues. All of their services are free.

Contact information:
(800) 532-5274
www.patientadvocate.org



Special Love, Inc.

Mission: Special Love provides camps, financial relief, and a community of support to children with cancer and their families in the Mid-Atlantic area.

History: Tom and Shelia Baker founded Special Love in 1983 after losing their 13-year-old daughter to lymphoma. What started as a non-profit sponsor for the week long Camp Fantastic has expanded into a year round calendar of approximately 20 camps, retreats, daytrips, and other support for children with cancer and their families.

Services: Special Love hosts two week long camps (Camp Fantastic for 7-17 year olds within three years of treatment and BRASS Camp for 7-14 year old siblings), six family weekend camps, and three weekends for teens and young adults. In addition, Special Love hosts an annual Circus Night in Washington, D.C., as well as occasional sports outings and other day trips. Finally, Special Love provides approximately \$100,000 annually in scholarships and emergency financial aid to families within its service area and maintains an extensive links database on its website at www.speciallove.org.

Contact information:

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Winchester, VA 22602

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www.speciallove.org



Starlight MidAtlantic

Mission: Starlight MidAtlantic helps seriously ill children and their families cope with their pain, fear, and isolation through entertainment, education, and family activities.

History: Starlight MidAtlantic seeks to address the many challenges sick children and their families face. Our clients are children suffering from chronic, serious, and life-threatening illness such as cancer, cystic fibrosis, diabetes, heart disease, asthma, and kidney disease, among others. We also serve children impacted by severe traumatic injuries such as catastrophic burns and spinal-cord injuries. Starlight MidAtlantic serves over 250 hospitals and reaches over 18,000 children a month in D.C., DE, MD, PA, VA, & WV.

Services: Starlight MidAtlantic provides Hospital Happenings, Fun Centers, PC Pals, Admit Kits, Starlight Sites, and Great Escapes. Most of our programs take place in the hospital, but monthly in the Richmond area we host Great Escapes for children and their families. Great Escapes are out-of-hospital recreational events such as Disney on Ice, Medieval Times, cultural attractions, museums, aquariums, sporting events, Kings Dominion, circus, cooking classes, picnics, spa days, movies, and more. To be eligible, children between the ages of 1 and 18 must have a serious illness or a severe chronic disability that significantly affects their childhood. To learn more about Starlight MidAtlantic, visit www.starlight-midatlantic.org.

Contact information:

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Starlight MidAtlantic

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Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

Mission: The mission of the Division of Pediatric Hematology and Oncology is to serve the Commonwealth of Virginia as a nationally recognized entity of clinical, educational, and research excellence. The Division is dedicated to improving the quality of children's life through prevention, control and cure of cancer and blood disorders.

History: The hospital was founded November 5, 1838 as the Medical Department of Hampden-Sydney College, by the dean of the college, Dr. Augustus Warner. The hospital became independent of Hampden-Sydney in 1860 and became the state sponsored Medical College of Virginia (MCV). MCV merged with the Richmond Professional Institute (academic school) to become Virginia Commonwealth University in 1968. This is the same year that the hospital hired its first pediatric oncologist, Dr. Harold Maurer, and 20 years later in 1988, the Bone Marrow Transplant unit opens.

Services: VCUMC Pediatric Hematology/Oncology division provides care and treatment to children with cancer from the state of Virginia, with most of the patient population coming from the Richmond Metropolitan Area (Louisa to Fredericksburg to Williamsburg to the NC border). They provide diagnosis and treatment of children (up to the age of 21) with cancer (and other hematologic disorders). In addition they provide chemotherapy, radiation, surgery, and supportive care in both inpatient and outpatient settings. VCUMC Pediatric Hematology/Oncology division also provides long-term care, Late Effects clinic, Survivorship conference, young adult survivor retreat, and support groups.

Contact information:

Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center

Department of Pediatrics

Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

(804) 828-9605

www.vcuchildrens.org

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PNP: Debbie Shockey, Elizabeth Hall, Anne Mauck, Debby Cohen

Clinic Nurse: Jill Shimp, Kathy Tofferi, Jennifer Egland, Elaine Thompson

Child Life: Katie Barber

Social Work: Robyn Dillon

Psychology: Matt Bitsko

Chaplain: Jim Bonomo

Education Consultant: Alma Morgan



C4 At-a-Glance Service Chart

Organization	Direct Financial Assistance for Medical Insurance	Direct Financial Assistance for Non-medical (rent, utilities, etc.)	Socially Supportive Events (family picnics, social gatherings)	Patient Education (books, videos, brochures, patient education materials)	Patient Education (conference seminars, trainings)	Legal Advocacy & Assistance	Support Groups	Individual & Family Counseling	In-kind support (bags, baskets, movie tickets, blankets, food coupons)	Research Fundraising	College/ Education Scholarship	Survivor Services	Grief Services	Legislative & Policy Advocacy	Wish Granting
American Cancer Society	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
ASK	Yes	Yes - to VCU via chaplain's emergency fund	Yes	Yes - Grants for other's materials	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Casey Cares	No	No	Yes - Group parties, family activities (tickets to area attractions,.	No	No	No	No	No	Yes-items that promote family time)	No	No	Yes - any family that is enrolled in our programs	No	No	No
Comfort Zone Camp	No	No	Yes	Yes - Grief related	No	No	Yes - Grief related	No		No	No		No	No	Yes
Connor's Heroes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes bags backpack	Yes beginning soon	no
Full Circle Grief	no	no	no	yes	no	no	YES	yes	no	no	no	no	YES	no	no
Grief Resource Center	No	No	No	Yes - library	Yes	no	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Hope Cam, INC	no	no	Yes via technology	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	All blood cancers \$500	\$500 one time a year for medical or non-medical	Young adults' retreat	Yes	Yes	No	Yes - Hampton Office Only	Yes - Resource Referral	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes - Packets	No	No

Organization	Direct Financial Assistance for Medical Insurance	Direct Financial Assistance for Non-medical (rent, utilities, etc.)	Socially Supportive Events (family picnics, social gatherings)	Patient Education (books, videos, brochures, patient education materials)	Patient Education (conference seminars, trainings)	Legal Advocacy & Assistance	Support Groups	Individual & Family Counseling	In-kind Support (bags, baskets, movie tickets, blankets, food coupons)	Research Fundraising	College/ Education Scholarship	Survivor Services	Grief Services	Legislative & Policy Advocacy	Wish Granting
LINC	Yes - Some; referrals to monetary assistance	Yes - Some; referrals to monetary assistance	No	Yes	Yes - in collaboration with others	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes - some services	No	No	No
Little Louie Foundation	Yes - Brain Tumors Only: ages birth to 21 years	Yes - Brain Tumors Only: ages birth to 21 years	No	No	No	No	Yes - Bereavement for children (in the early planning stages)	No	Yes - Brain Tumors Only: ages birth to 21 years	Yes - brain tumor research at various facilities	No	No	Yes - in the works (for kids) all types of bereavement	No	No
Make A Wish	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Noah's Children	No	No	No	Yes - for people in the program	No	No	No	Yes - Individual	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
Patient Advocacy Group	Referrals Only	Referrals Only	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Special Love	No	Yes - Apply through social worker, limit \$500 per year	Yes - calendar at www.speciallove.org	Yes - small library available at events	Yes - parent discussions at events	No	Yes - Parent discussions at events	No	Yes - limited event/sports tickets	No	Yes - for past and present camp attendees	Yes - young adult seminar	No, though bereaved siblings/p parents welcome at our events	No	No
Starlight MidAtlantic	No	No	Yes - monthly	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
VCU Health Systems (Peds Hem/Onc)	Refer Out	Refer Out	Young adult survivor retreat	Refer Out	Survivorship conference	Refer Out	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No



Other Community Resources

Children with Cancer:

National Cancer Institute, Pediatric Oncology Branch

(877) 624-4878

Children with a Disability:

American Academy of Pediatrics

(847) 434-4000

Camp Easter Seals

(804) 746-1007

Central Virginia Care Connection for Children

(804) 827-1795

Child Development Clinics – Virginia Department of Health

(804) 864-7689

Child's Hope for Sight

(804) 938-1624

Federation for Children with Special Needs

(617) 236-7210

Make A Wish Foundation

(804) 267-1999

Noah's Children

(804) 327-8417

The Children's Organ Transplant Association

(800) 366-2682

United Way

(434) 846-8467

Language Services:

Bi-Lingual Helpline (National Hispanic Family Health Helpline)

(866) 783-2645

Family Support Services:

Compassionate Friends:

Mechanicsville

(804) 359-4481

Hopewell

(804) 541-0142

Richmond

(804) 254-0588

Heaven's Children

(804) 379-3921

Parent to Parent

(804) 222-1945