

Giving sick chiLdren Laughs, hopes and smiLes.

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Happy Holidays from the Caitlin's Smiles Staff!

Wishing everyone a joyous holiday season and a safe & happy 2023!



**The 2022 Holiday Open House is now "in the books"!** Smiles Central was bustling with activity during the Holiday Open House in early December. Volunteers meticulously worked like Santa's elves assembling craft kits, creating cards, and decorating bags — all to help children in medical facilities cope and have activities to do during their hospital stays, emergency department visits, and clinic appointments. Along with all the incredible volunteers, guests like Santa & Mrs. Claus, Rascal (of the Harrisburg Senators), and Tom Russell (from CBS21) all helped make the sessions extra special. CBS21's Tom Russell even broadcasted from Smiles Central during the Thursday Open House Volunteer Session! **View CBS21's report here.** 



## CaitLin



Creating the opportunity to make other children smile is Caitlin's legacy.

# Become a Volunteer

It doesn't take a lot to make a big difference in a child's life. Become one of our volunteers today: **Join now!** 

# Make a Donation

Help a child smile today by donating to Caitlin's Smiles through PayPal. Thanks for your support.



#### **Giving Tuesday: A Donation from Weis Markets**

November 29th was Giving Tuesday and was also Weis Markets' "Day of Giving." Weis Markets and Caitlin's Smiles joined Good-Day PA to talk about the "Day of Giving" and for Weis Markets' presentation of a \$5,000 check to Caitlin's Smiles to help children in area hospitals. To view the segment, click here.

#### **Donating for Holidays, Birthdays, and More!**

Giving Tuesday has passed, but it is never too late to contribute to help send smiles to children in medical facilities. A \$30 donation provides a Bag of Smiles to a child staying overnight in a hospital. 1,000 Bags of Smiles are provided to kids staying overnight in hospitals every month! Each Bag of Smiles holds two of our craft kits, two cans of Play-Doh, a journaling activity, coloring materials, a small toy or book, and a personal card made by one of our volunteers. Making a donation is a wonderful way to honor your loved ones for the holidays, their birthdays, or in memory of a lost loved one. Want to see an example of the impact that your donation will make? Scroll down a little to view notes and photos from kids who received Bags of Smiles in November. To donate, visit the donation page on our website by clicking here.



To All Volunteers, Thank you very much for the gift package given to my grand-daughter at Jamaica Hospital in New York. It made her smile and she loves drawing so all the gifts were very thoughtful and kind. Thank you very much. Have a wonderful day.

Sincerely, Nancy





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