

# Fund-A-Wish Program Details



## If you could have one wish, what would it be?

This simple question has translated into thousands of unique, special, and magical wishes. Make-A-Wish® Montana fulfills the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions throughout Montana because of the generous support of our donors. The Fund-A-Wish program gives donors the opportunity to pair their philanthropic gift with a child's most heartfelt wish.

## Why Make-A-Wish?

A wish come true helps children feel stronger, more energetic, more willing and able to battle their life-threatening medical conditions. For many of them, it marks a turning point in their fight against their illnesses. For their doctors, nurses, and other health professionals, the wish experience works in concert with medicine to make their patients feel better, emotionally and even physically. For wish families, a wish can bring them together and offer strength in times of disruption.

## How To Participate?

- \$10,000+**     *I wish to go....on an international trip!*  
The Bahamas, Dubai, England, Bora Bora, or cruising through the Caribbean, if you've dreamed of it chances are a kid has wished it. This is the average cash cost of a cruise or international travel wish, an experience that will truly create hope, strength, and joy in the life of a wish kid.
- \$7,500**     *I wish to go....on a domestic trip!*  
Travel encompasses nearly 75% of the wishes granted by the Foundation, many of the trips include the Disney theme parks, swimming with dolphins, and trips to Hawaii. This is the average cash cost of a domestic trip wish.
- \$5,000**     *I wish to meet....a celebrity!*  
Many kids envision meeting a favorite athlete, musician, or actor. This amount is reflective of such as wish.
- \$3,900**     *I wish to be...a princess!*  
Wish kids are creative, some want to become police officers, firefighters, chefs, and even super heroes. This level will help to make this kind of dream a reality for a wish child.
- \$2,500**     *I wish to have...a shopping spree!*  
Wishes to have, vary from laptops and computers to animals, play sets, room makeovers, and musical instruments. This level represents the average cash cost of this kind of wish.

## How To Fund-A-Wish?

Your gift, at any level, supports Make-A-Wish locally, is unrestricted, and the amount that is donated reflects the average cost of a wish. Participation does not imply how funds are spent and in order to follow IRS guidelines, a gift must not be to an individual and must be completed before a donor chooses a child from a list of pending wishes. Once a wish is selected, donors will receive a letter with more information about the wish child and details of their wish. Make-A-Wish has an obligation to protect the identity of each child and family so information provided to donor will not include last names, addresses, or other personal information.

Make a wish come true! Often times a donor wants to enhance a wish by donating items or taking part in a wish party or reveal. There are several fun and creative ways to engage depending on the type of wish. Make-A-Wish grants just one wish per child so we must ensure that any enhancements are not perceived as a second wish. In addition we ask that donors refrain from cause marketing or social media done without permission of Make-A-Wish Montana. Some wishes are coordinated at a national level and have a separate set of guidelines to follow. Please know that these guidelines are put in effect to protect the wish kid and the Make-A-Wish brand. The staff in Montana will work diligently with donors to make sure that the experience is fulfilling and fun for everyone involved.

Thank you for your interest and support in the Fund-A-Wish program. I look forward to discussing how your gift can make a wish come true.

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Gabrielle, 12

short bowel syndrome

*I wish to go to Disney World*