

Make-A-Wish®

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★ Celebrating 20 Years of Wishes ★

**Make-A-Wish celebrates
its 20th anniversary**



At the start of this summer, it will be exactly 20 years since the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Switzerland and Liechtenstein came into being. A magnificent journey, which began with the desire of our three co-founders to create an organization that could bring hope, courage and a huge dose of happiness to its beneficiaries. Make-A-Wish Switzerland & Liechtenstein pursues this noble mission to bring smiles back to the faces of children diagnosed with a serious illness, who are deprived of part of their childhood. This year, 2023, will see the fulfillment of many wishes, each more magical than the last, but we also hope that the foundation will be able to increase its visibility throughout Switzerland and Liechtenstein. Our wish for the future is to be able to help as many children as possible, until we reach our goal of granting the wish of every eligible child.

But, before we plunge into 2023, we would like you to take a step back in time and peruse our 2022 annual report. It talks about our latest activities, with a few examples and figures, and it also explains who we are and how we carry out our work. We hope you enjoy reading it, and of course remain at your disposal should you have any questions.

These 20 years of happiness and stars in children's eyes would never have been possible without the help of so many people. Our warmest thanks go to all of you, whatever your contribution!

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**From Disneyland Paris to the Champions League, via
ice fishing and encounters with eagle owls**

The first half of 2023 was filled with emotions and original wishes, but above all it brought much-needed comfort to the hearts of all these children.

In total, 23 wishes were granted between January and June. We are delighted to see that the children have so much imagination, and sometimes very specific ideas of what they would like to do! This is how some of them were able to experience a dream holiday, like princes or princesses, in the fairytale world of Disney.

Our brave Federico was thrilled to attend the Champions League soccer final in Istanbul. Johnny expressed his desire to go ice fishing, which he was able to do with his whole family in our beautiful country. As for Jeanne, it was her encounter with eagle owls that will always remain engraved in her memory.

The families were able to enjoy the experiences of love carefully created for them. Moments of shared happiness, but also periods of preparation and anticipation that allowed them to look forward and feel positive emotions.



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The magic of Chaplin's World and Make-A-Wish events across the country





Thanks to the generosity of the "Circle of Friends of the Charlie Chaplin Museum Foundation", Make-A-Wish families were able to discover this magical place at the beginning of April, with a guided tour. It was a wonderful day of sharing, and a lovely opportunity to see each other again, followed by a meal and a make-up session for the children.

Some very special people also gave up their time to organize visibility and fund-raising events for our foundation. For example, one of our volunteers organized a magnificent concert in a church in Rüslikon, "Rotary Zurich International" gave Make-A-Wish the benefit of its new "Run for Change" event, and its sister organization, "Rotaract Zurich International", organized a magnificent Charity Summer Party. Gamers from the Berne area raised funds in an online tournament.

At the Fantasy Basel fair, our partner Cosplayers United for Charity (CU4C) held a successful tombola in aid of the foundation. At the Gonet Geneva Open tennis tournament, Make-A-Wish was the partner of choice and presented itself to the general public with a stand in the Village. We also took part in the Journée des associations romandes pour l'enfance (Day of French-speaking children's associations) and forged links with other entities dedicated to helping children in need. Some courageous participants took up the challenge of the Race for Gift, on June 4th in Geneva, by doing a sportive effort while raising funds among their friends and colleagues.

To find out more about these and other events, please refer to our website : <https://makeawish.ch/en/news-events/>.



Your help is precious to us

We would like to thank everyone who supports us, each in their own way. It is thanks to you that we can offer our added value in the lives of Make-A-Wish children. As we depend on private funding to continue our mission, we are very grateful to all our donors, whether their contribution is financial or in kind. Helping Make-A-Wish also means telling others about us, so that our beneficiaries know we are there for them. It also means giving a little of your time to set up an event, or helping us with various stages of the "wish journey", or offering certain services or skills useful to our mission.

THANK YOU all for your kindness, generosity, spontaneity and loyalty! Here's to the next 20 years of spreading joy and hope to all children facing life-threatening illness.

And don't forget to follow us on social networks! Our community is growing and our various pages allow you to discover even more about us and our activities for children.



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