



The Children's Heart Foundation™ E-newsletter

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Upcoming Events

April 8: [Trivia Night for Hearts](#)
St. Louis, MO

Join the CHF Missouri Chapter for their annual Trivia Night for Hearts event. It's your standard good time, competitive, laugh-out-loud trivia night, with all the proceeds benefiting CHD research. More information [here](#).

April 8: [Hopping for Hearts](#)
Philadelphia, PA

This is an Easter egg hunt and vendor event. There will be games, face painting, craft, s and more. The event benefits the CHF Pennsylvania Chapter.

April 9: [Gainesville Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Gainesville, FL

April 23: [Boston Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Boston, MA

April 29: [DC-MAR-VA Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Wheaton, MD

NY Chapter Presents CHF Research Grant Recipient with Check

The Children's Heart Foundation recently funded a \$50,000 research grant for Michael Ronemus, PhD, Research Assistant Professor at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (CSHL). On February 23rd, members of the CHF New York Chapter got to present Michael Ronemus with the check from CHF!

The research funded by this grant to Dr. Ronemus will center on the high-resolution genomic DNA analysis of 125 families with a child suffering from congenital heart disease. Learn more about the research project [here](#).

"This research grant from The Children's Heart Foundation will make it possible for us to better understand the genetics behind congenital heart disease in children," said Dr. Ronemus. "Our work will involve using the latest genomics technology to diagnose this disease earlier and more accurately than was previously possible."

Jacqueline Pecora, President of the CHF New York Chapter, commented: "As a mother who lost her twin daughter eighteen years ago to a congenital heart defect, I am very excited that The Children's Heart Foundation is funding CHD research right in our own back yard at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. Together we are making a huge difference in the lives of our children of today and our children of tomorrow."

April 29: [Greater Atlanta Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Lawrenceville, GA

May 6: [Dallas-Fort Worth Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Dallas, TX

May 6: [Central Texas Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Austin, TX

May 6: [Central Pennsylvania Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Hershey, PA

May 7: [Greater Los Angeles Congenital Heart Walk](#)
Los Angeles, CA



[The Children's Heart Foundation](#) (CHF) was founded in 1996 and is the nation's leading organization solely committed to funding Congenital Heart Defect (CHD) research.

CHF's mission is to fund the most promising research to advance the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of CHDs.

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2017 Congenital Heart Walk Season Begins

The 2017 Congenital Heart Walk season kicked off this past weekend on April 1st in Jacksonville, Florida! This year, more than 30 walks will take place across the country, and thousands of walkers will unite to fight Congenital Heart Disease.

Funds raised by the Congenital Heart Walk are split 50/50 between CHF and the Adult Congenital Heart Association (ACHA) to help further our missions.

To find an upcoming walk near you, visit the CHW [website](#).

Don't see a walk near you? Participate in a Virtual Congenital Heart Walk! A virtual walk can be held at any time and allows you to decide when, where, and how you will walk to fight CHD! For more information, [click here](#).



Graeme's Run Raises \$60,000 for CHF

The 2nd annual [Graeme's Run](#) benefiting The Children's Heart Foundation, raised over \$60,000! More than 1,200 runners and walkers came to the event, which took place on February 25th in Katy, TX.



The event is held in memory of Graeme McDaniel (left), who passed away in 2015 from CHD. Graeme's family is committed to keeping his name and memory alive and hope that by hosting yearly events, and raising funds for research, they can continue to make him proud, as well as help other heart families.

Graeme's family said of the event: *"Saturday was a beautiful day and we had over 1,200 runners and walkers celebrating with us at No Label Brewing Co. We raised over \$60,000 for The Children's Heart Foundation! Thank you for letting us share Graeme, spread awareness, and have a great time together while we did."*

"Thanks to the many volunteers, sponsors and our amazing community that made the day a success. I know we had a happy little boy watching the events of the day. We are looking forward to doing it all again next year!"



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