



The Children's Heart Foundation™  
E-newsletter

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### Upcoming Events

**May 7:** [Central Pennsylvania Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Hershey, PA

The 2016 Central Pennsylvania CHW will take place at Milton Hershey School in Hershey.

**May 7:** [Mother's Day Mini Sessions](#)

Elmhurst, IL

Moms, scoop up your kiddos, and let's have some fun with Mama & Me Mini Sessions at Studio MIYA Photography! Your \$100 session fee will be donated to The Children's Heart Foundation! Your Session Fee includes two 5"x7" prints + a Facebook cover photo. Reserve your spot [here](#).

**May 12:** [California Pizza Kitchen Fundraiser](#)

15 CPK locations across the country are holding fundraisers for CHF on May 12th! See article (right) or visit the [website](#) for more information.

### Pizza with a Purpose

On May 12th, [California Pizza Kitchen](#) (CPK) will be hosting a fundraiser benefiting The Children's Heart Foundation at 19 locations across the country this month! The CPK fundraiser was organized by Jenny Shrensker, in honor of Joy Gross and her family (pictured). Joy is Jenny's best friend and the President of the [CHF Colorado Chapter](#). Joy has two daughters, both of whom were born with Congenital Heart Defects. This fundraiser was a surprise birthday gift from Jenny to Joy.

"Over the last 4 years, for every birthday and Christmas, the only gift she asks for is a donation to The Children's Heart Foundation to fund research so that her girls can have a fighting chance at a normal life," Jenny said. "This year, I wanted to do



something that could potentially make a significant difference in their life and in the lives of so many others." (Read more from Jenny [here](#))

Visit any of the locations listed below **on May 12th**, with the flyer for that location, and 20% of dine-in, take-out, delivery, and catering sales will be donated to The Children's Heart Foundation. Rather than eating elsewhere on May 12th, please consider grabbing lunch or dinner from one of the participating CPK restaurants and help fund life-saving CHD

**May 15:** [New Jersey](#)

[Superheroes Family Fun Day](#)

Montvale, NJ

The 1st annual Superheroes Family Fun Day will include a 1 mile family friendly walk, followed by music, food, face painting, bounce houses, and more!

There will also be a raffle to win amazing prizes. All of the money raised will go towards helping fight CHDs and funding research efforts. Please [click here](#) to register or join/create a team.

**May 21:** [West Michigan](#)

[Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Kalamazoo, MI

The first-ever West Michigan CHW will take place at Flesher Field in Kalamazoo.

**May 21:** [Indianapolis](#)

[Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Indianapolis, IN

The 2016 Indianapolis CHW will take place at Butler University at the Atherton Union.

**May 21:** [Greater Sacramento](#)

[Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Roseville, CA

The 2016 Greater Sacramento CHW will take place at Maidu Regional Park.

**May 22:** [Long Island Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Kings Park, NY

The 2016 Long Island CHW will take place at Sunken Meadow State Park in Kings Park.

**June 4:** [Hitting for Hearts](#)

Centennial, CO

Join the CHF Colorado Chapter for an evening of golf, raffles, food, drinks, a silent auction and fun at Top Golf! Purchase tickets to the event [here](#).

**June 4:** [Nashville Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Nashville, TN

The 2016 Nashville CHW will take place at Edwin Warner Park.

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**Participating CPK Locations: (flyers linked in red)**

[Chicago, IL](#) (Northbrook Court and Ohio Street)

[Columbus, OH](#) (Easton Town Center)

[Dallas, TX](#) (Berkshire Court)

[Denver, CO](#) (Cherry Creek)

[Detroit, MI](#) (Somerset, Partridge Creek, Hunters Square)

[Kansas City, KS](#) (Park Place)

[Newark, DE](#) (Christiana Mall)

[Philadelphia, PA](#) (King of Prussia Mall)

[Pittsburgh, PA](#) (Ross Park Mall)

[Sacramento, CA](#) (Market Square at Arden Fair and Fountains at Roseville)

[St. Louis, MO](#) (West County Mall, Chesterfield Mall, and Creve Coeur)

[Long Island, NY](#) (Walt Whitman, Westbury, and Smith Haven Mall)

Download the flyer with all 19 locations listed [here](#).

Can't make it to your nearest location on May 12th? Then purchase a CPK gift card online! 10% of gift card purchases will be donated to CHF! Shop gift cards [here](#).

Thank you, Jenny, for your dedication and support and for setting up this awesome fundraiser to help CHF fund more research!



## Missouri & Ohio Events Each Raise Over \$20,000!

The Children's Heart Foundation Missouri and Ohio Chapters both held events on April 9th and each event raised over \$20,000!

The [Missouri Chapter's](#) annual "[Trivia Night for Hearts](#)" event was held in St. Louis and was a great night of trivia with door prizes, silent auction bidding, cash prizes, and challenging rounds! The event raised over \$25,000 this year - a record breaking amount for the event! Thank you to everyone who put this event together and to all who attended for making it such a success!

**June 4: [Hayden's Outing](#)**

Fond Du Lac, WI

The 6th annual Hayden's Outing benefiting CHF will take place at Rolling Meadows Golf Course.

Register for the event [here](#).

**June 19: [Phillies Game](#)**

Philadelphia, PA

Join the CHF Pennsylvania for a Phillies Game! \$10 per ticket sold will benefit CHF. Purchase tickets

[here](#). Tickets must be **purchased by May 18th!**



[The Children's Heart Foundation](#) (CHF) 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. Our goal is to bring health, hope, and happiness to children and families impacted by CHDs.

**Donate Now!**



The [Ohio Chapter's](#) 2nd annual "Hops for Hearts" event took place in Columbus and was a great evening that included drinks from local breweries, food, and a silent auction. At the event, they also helped CHF celebrate it's 20th birthday with the adorable cake below! The event raised over \$21,000 Thank you to everyone who put the event together and to those who attended for making it a success!



**CHF's 20th Birthday Celebration**

Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate our 20th birthday last month! We received many generous donations through our birthday fundraising campaign. CHF is proud to have been funding life-saving Congenital Heart Defect research for 20 years now!

Didn't get a chance to make a donation? You can still donate to our #CHFTurns20 campaign [here](#).



In honor of our birthday, the American Heart Association featured a blog post about Betsy Peterson, CHF's founder, on their Support Network. The blog post tells the story about how after Betsy lost her son, Sam, to CHDs, she vowed to raise awareness and fund CHD research. She did this by establishing The Children's Heart Foundation. Read the blog post [here](#).

 Forward to a Friend

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