

Together, we transform the lives of chronically ill children and their families, shifting all from surviving to thriving.







"Bounce helps families heal"
- José, Bounce Dad

THE BASICS



MISSION

Bounce Children's Foundation® transforms the lives of chronically ill children, and their families, shifting all from surviving to thriving.



VISION

We envision the day when Bounce Children's Foundation supports every chronically ill child, and their family, across America.



VALUES

- Kids are our future, invest in them accordingly.
- All kids deserve to be just kids.
- No child should lose their childhood to the medical system.
- Strengthening parents and families helps kids.
- A child's work is play.
- Provide a helping hand, not a hand out.

- When a child is diagnosed, the entire family is diagnosed
- Connecting is the core of our human experience.
- Happier leads to healthier.
- Building resilience today, fosters a lifetime of coping.
- Bounce Back, Bounce Forward, Bounce Up, Bounce to a Better Tomorrow!



EQUITY COMMITMENT

Disease does not discriminate. Children of all races, ethnicities, religious beliefs, and socioeconomic standing face the challenge of chronic illness on a daily basis. Bounce Children's Foundation® exists to be there for all children affected by chronic illness, and for all their loved ones.

Bounce condemns racism, oppression, exclusion, and violence against any person. Bounce proudly stands in solidarity with the Black Community, with the 53% of Bounce Families of color, and with everyone who demands equality, freedom, and opportunity for all. Just as all kids – including the nearly 1 in 5 battling a medical condition for which there is no cure – deserve to be "just kids", all people deserve respect, dignity, and inclusion.

Bounce is committed to reflecting the diverse community we serve in the composition of our staff, volunteers, and partners. We pledge to accelerate our progress to become better allies and advocates for both those we serve, as well as the broader community, shifting all from surviving to thriving.

PEDIATRIC CHRONIC ILLNESS

A Hidden Epidemic Causing Pervasive Devastation

















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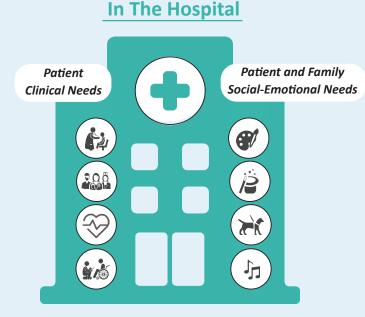
When a **Child** is diagnosed, the Entire Family is diagnosed Impacting All Aspects of their Lives

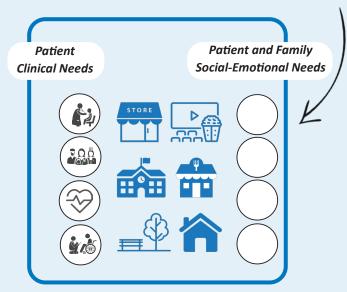
Filling The Gap

Bounce Children's Foundation *fills the gap* between the wealth of resources in hospitals and lack of social-emotional support at-home and in-the-community.









From Surviving to Thriving



From diagnosis forward, Bounce is there, 24/7, building resiliency and creating a safe place to belong . . . and we're the only organization to do so.

AWARD-WINNING PROGRAMS

Awards and Accreditation



2019 WINNER

Bounce Children's Foundation

RECOGNIZING CHICAGO'S MOST INNOVATIVE NEW PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

The region's foremost recognition of the most innovative new products and services. Winners are innovators that uniquely fill unmet needs, spark a competitive response in the marketplace, exceed market expectations, achieve financial success, and improve people's lives.





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Program Portfolio



Bounce Bash[®]

From every-day, to once-in-a-lifetime, family adventures



Bounce Back Kits[®]

Themed family care packages that distract and ease stress



Bounce Academy®

Strength training for vital coping skills



Bounce It Forward®

Turning donated tickets into unexpected fun



Bounce Net®

24/7 private online community and safety net



Bounce Bash®

From every-day, to once-in-a-lifetime, family adventures

About

Outings specially designed to include children with complex medical needs, their healthy siblings and their parents. Bringing multiple families together fosters friendship, the safety of *not* being stared at, and a sense of belonging. When Bounce handles planning and logistics, families attend with minimal stress – and try things they would never attempt on their own. Whether a chance to see the latest movie, go bowling, or sit in the dugout at Wrigley Field, the result is adventurous family fun!





Benefits

- Distraction from Day-to-Day Burdens of Chronic Illness
- Families Get Out of the House for Fun, not just Medical Care
- Friendships at the Individual & Family Level
- Hope & Confidence that Builds Resilience

What Our Families Say

This was the best day of my whole entire summer ever!

- Bounce Kiddo

You let us live 'normal' lives . . .

-Bounce Mom

Unforgettable . . . allowed me to bond with other parents, and my kids to make friends.

- Bounce Mom

When both the special child and their healthy siblings are welcome, it makes us comfortable.

- Bounce Mom

You made (getting out) so easy and fun. Thank you for the best day we've had in a very long time!

- Bounce Mom

It was truly special to be able to attend as an <u>entire</u> family.

- Bounce Family



Bounce Back Kits[®]

Themed family care packages that distract and ease stress

About

Children battling chronic illness repeatedly face lengthy stays at home such as before surgery, after treatment, and during flare-ups.

When doctor's orders or medical necessity cause 'shut-in', boredom, frustration, and anxiety quickly set in. To break the monotony and combat cabin fever, kits contain fun-filled, spirit-boosting activities:

- Books
- Games
- Movies
- Music
- Arts & Crafts
- STEM Projects
- Activity Booklets
- DIY Family Activities
- Recipes
- Gift Cards
- Decorations
- And MORE!





Benefits

- Provide Valuable Stress Relief, Distraction, and Togetherness
- Encourage Playful Creativity, Critical Thinking, and Calm Coping
- Ready-To-Go Activities Ease Pressure and Guilt for Parents
- Joy & Laughter Build Resiliency

What Our Families Say

It helps my Bounce Kiddo feel like his condition brings something special, instead of stressful, to the family.

- Bounce Dad

Our son had surgery and a horribly painful recovery.

Our kit kept his mind off the pain!

Bounce Mom

Holidays are really hard. This gave us something to focus on and celebrate with.

- Bounce Mom

... little treasure boxes filled with activities that bring our family together and make us feel cared for in a world where we often have to deal with setbacks on our own.

- Bounce Mom

My kiddos are loving everything — and they are being so quiet, it's like a gift to me too.

- Bounce Mom

We laugh and forget we have so many hard days ahead. We would never have done these activities without Bounce.

- Bounce Family



About

The skill-building education Bounce Parents need to hold themselves – and their families – together.

Regularly forced to manage crises which no one can ever truly prepare for, Bounce Parent input shapes the curriculum to focus on high priority needs such as the financial, intellectual, emotional, and psychological challenges their family members face.

Recognizing the greatest barrier to participation is childcare for special needs kids, Bounce welcomes them. Bounce Kiddos and Siblings enjoy their own "workshop", close by, entertained, and safe.





Benefits

- Improved Ability to Navigate Unpredictable/Stressful Situations
- Empowerment, Increased Confidence and Peer Support
- Judgment-Free Zone = Open & Honest Conversation about Tough Topics
- Practical Tools/Techniques/Resources that build Resilience

What Our Families Say

. . . valuable information to help us plan.

- Bounce Mom

. . . a welcoming and safe environment.

families who have similar issues.

Bounce Dad

. . . validated so much of what we're going through as a family with a special needs child and multiple siblings.

- Bounce Mom

Thanks for helping us make sure our kids will be protected and cared for.

- Bounce Mom

It was wonderful to share our concerns with other

– Bounce Dad

You were wonderful entertaining the kids and providing adults with valuable information to plan for our futures.

- Bounce Mom



Bounce It Forward®

Turning donated tickets into unexpected fun

About

Never knowing when the next crisis will strike, families raising children with diseases for which there is no cure cannot plan ahead. As a result, even when they have one of those rare 'good days', they miss out on high demand events and premier activities.

Thanks to individuals and organizations who share extra tickets, Bounce Families can now enjoy:

- Professional/College Sports
- Theater/Musicals
- Concerts

- Museums
- Special Exhibits/Attractions
- Cultural Productions





Benefits

- Unexpected Fun, Incredible Distraction & Amazing Memories
- Date Night, Special Time with Healthy Siblings, Family Outing
- Leverages Breaks between Crises & Treatments
- Restores Spirit & Optimism that Builds Resilience

What Our Families Say

The kids woke up still talking about how much fun they had.

- Bounce Mom

Knowing we were going out after, made the usually unbearable tests much easier - for all of us!

Bounce Family

We had wonderful family time – time spent without doctors, worries or stress.

- Bounce Dad

Thank you for allowing my sister to have a 'normal' outing.

Bounce Sibling

It was so nice to have a carefree day of fun for my children after a very rough couple of months of hospitalizations and surgeries.

- Bounce Mom

He'll be talking about this day for years to come.

- Bounce Mom

Truly a memory we will never forget.

- Bounce Mom



About

A safe, private, online community and on demand support exclusively for Bounce Parents, all in one place – just a few clicks away.

- Celebrate a Win or Share a Concern
- Ask a Question or Post a Need
- Request Help and Get Advice
- Offer Support and Share an Experience
- Compare Notes and Introduce Resources





Benefits

- On-Demand Connection from Home, Work, or Hospital
- Confidential Access to Community of Friendship and Peer Wisdom
- Easy and Efficient Access to Bounce Programs & Services
- Support, Resources, and Education that Builds Resilience

What Our Families Say

. . . a great resource for networking and learning from other families.

- Bounce Dad

I already found a family we know. The boys were roommates at disability camp last summer. We have been looking for this family since then. SO EXCITED!

We found a whole new group of friends whom we now consider family.

Bounce Mom

. . . an amazing resource for meeting other Special Needs families, in our otherwise mundane, yet challenging, medical world.

- Bounce Mom

- Bounce Mom

I was talking to another Bounce Mom and we agreed,

– Bounce Mom

We no longer feel alone.

Bounce absolutely gets us!

- Bounce Mom

METRICS: OUR SUCCESS STORY



- 132 Events, 10,498 Attendees
- 99% found the event Very Enjoyable or Enjoyable
- 92% Strongly Agreed or Agreed that the event provided a positive contribution to their Family's Resilience and Ability to Cope
- 92% Strongly Agreed or Agreed that the event provided Accessibility for all family members



- 20 Rounds of Kits, 6,525 Kits
- 98% Very Satisfied or Satisfied with the Kit
- 95% Strongly Agreed or Agreed that the Kit Provided Fun
- 94% said Kit Provided a Sense of Family Togetherness



- 4 Workshops, 58 Families attended
- 100% Very Satisfied or Satisfied with the workshop
- 96% said the presentation Helped Them Take Action
- 100% said the Speaker was Knowledgeable



- 143 Family Outings, 995 Attendees
- 116 Unique Individual Donors
- 34 Corporate Donors

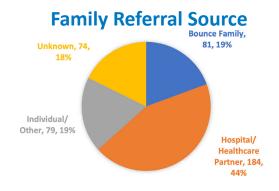


- 349 Members
- 24 Posts/Month
- 403 Comments & Contributions/Month

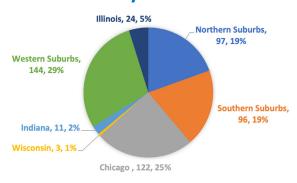
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METRICS: ABOUT OUR FAMILIES

Parents/Gardian, 865, 44% Healthy Siblings, 677, 34%



Family Location

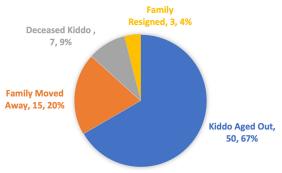


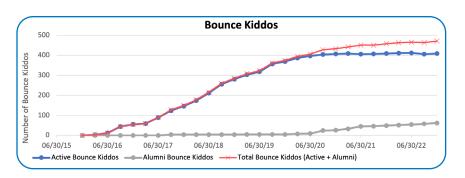


Family Household Income



Alumni Families





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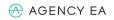








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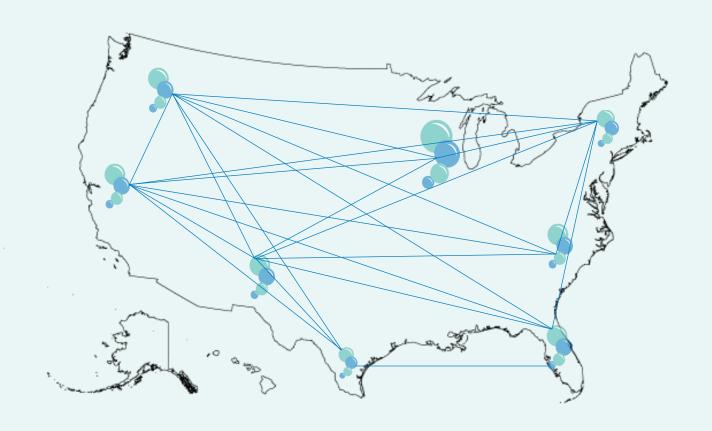






OUR VISION

We Envision the Day . . .



When Bounce can support every family raising a child forced to battle chronic illness across the United States

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