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Impact Report

*Bounce Bash®
DreamNight at
Lincoln Park Zoo*

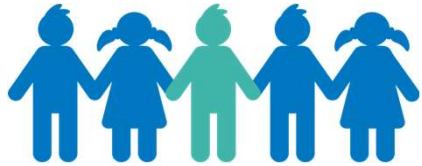
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*Transforming the lives of chronically
ill children, and their families,
shifting all from surviving to thriving*

BOUNCE
Children's Foundation®

Pediatric Chronic Illness: A Hidden Epidemic



Nearly **1 in 5** U.S. children battle a disease for which there is no cure.



In the hospital there is a wealth of clinical and social-emotional support.



Before Bounce, there was an acute lack of support both at home & in the community.

Bounce Children's Foundation



Mission

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



Vision

Every family raising a child battling chronic illness has access to Bounce.



Building Resilience

Connect, Educate, Empower,
Energize, Engage

Bounce Bash[®]

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



**Distractions from day-to-day
Burdens of Chronic Illness**

**“Get Out of the House” for Fun,
not Medical Care**

**Friendships at Both the
Individual & Family Level**

**Confidence that Extends to
Other Aspects of Life & Builds Resilience**

Special Thanks to



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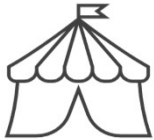
Bounce Family Feedback



100% Found this *Bounce Bash*® Very Enjoyable/Enjoyable.




100% Strongly Agreed/Agreed this *Bounce Bash* Provided a Positive Contribution Family Resiliency & Ability to Cope.



93% Strongly Agreed/Agreed this *Bounce Bash* Allowed Them To Do Something Their Family Wouldn't Normally Do.

Bounce Families Enjoyed a Special Night by...



*It was such a beautiful experience for our family!
Mahogany absolutely loves animals. She was overjoyed to attend Dream Night at Lincoln Park Zoo.
We are so thankful for the delicious dinner —it made the evening feel extra special.*

*The icing on the cake was discovering that the carousel was wheelchair accessible -
which made the night truly magical for Mahogany –
and seeing other families with loved ones in wheelchairs so happy to be able to ride the carousel.*

~ Tiffney, Bounce Mom

...Having the Whole Zoo to Themselves!



We love being able to visit the zoo without the crowds and overwhelming noises.

~ Rebecca, Bounce Mom



We look forward to DreamNight every year because of how fun and special you make our family feel. It's nice to feel seen and celebrated and we are very grateful to be a part of DreamNight.

~ Nancy, Bounce Mom



...Feeling Supported by the Amazing Staff!



*The zoo staff was PHENOMENAL with everyone!
Everything was so accessible and dinner was great.*

~ Stephanie, Bounce Mom



...Forgetting about Outside Stressors!



*This was our favorite night ever!
We've had a rough few months,
but tonight, everyone was smiling.*

~ Stephanie, Bounce Mom

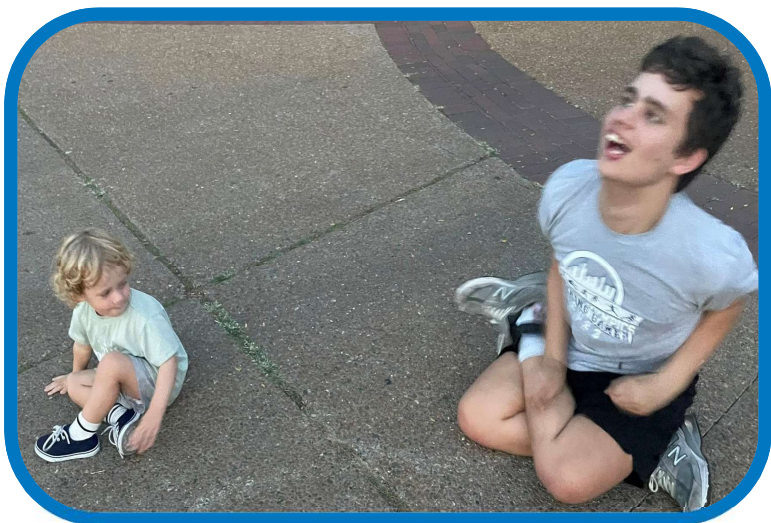
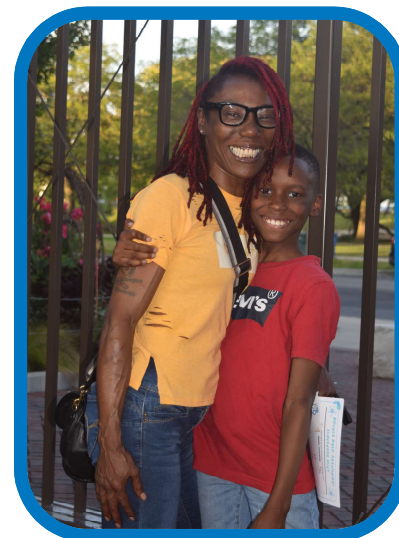
*Gives our family a sense of
normalcy in our lives.*

~ Nyvia, Bounce Mom



The sense of community and acceptance we feel when we're with our Bounce Family at a Bounce Bash, well, that's just icing on the cake!

~ Rebecca, Bounce Mom



... Being Around Other Families Who “Get It”!

*Awesome way to end a tough week
and very cool to be surrounded by
only other medically complex families.*

~ Tina, Bounce Mom

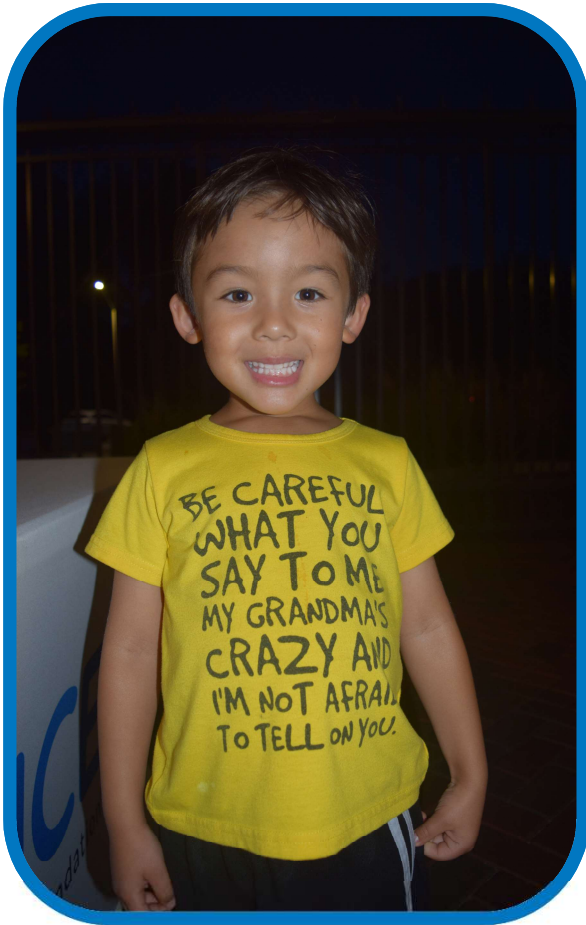
*Wow, such a calming experience to be with so many
families with children with special needs only.*

*A big difference from when the zoo is full of the public.
We do not get the looks; it's a stress-free experience!*

~ Anita, Bounce Mom



...Getting Decked Out in their Favorite Shirts!



...Relishing the Opportunity to Ride the Carousel!



Merry Go Round workers took extra time to do one extra ride for Ally since there was not enough room for her chair on the "last" ride. Thank You!

~ Tina, Bounce Mom



Each Family Received Animal-Themed Pencils and Activity Sheets!

BOUNCE BASH: DREAMNIGHT SCAVENGER HUNT

Mark each box as you discover something new!

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

- I saw an animal with stripes
- I saw an animal eating or drinking
- I saw an animal with a long tail
- I watched an animal swimming

LISTEN & FEEL

- I heard an animal make a loud sound
- I touched something cool (like grass or a bench)
- I heard an animal make a quiet sound
- I touched something bumpy (like a tree or wall)

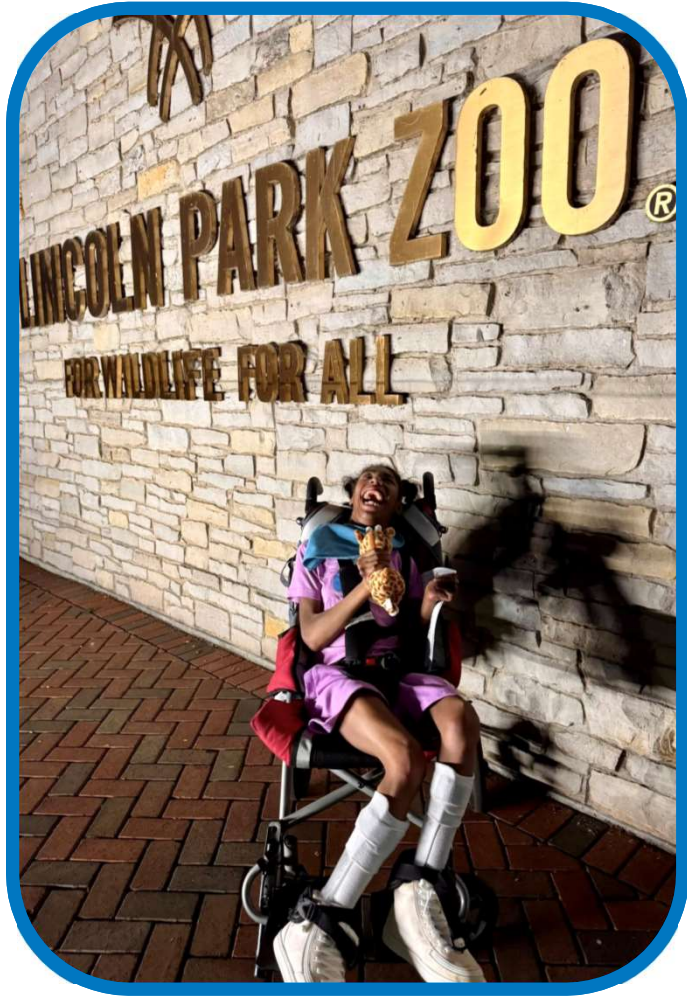
FUN WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS

- I said "hi" to someone wearing a Bounce Sticker
- I took a photo with my family or friend
- I picked a favorite animal
- I laughed and smiled tonight

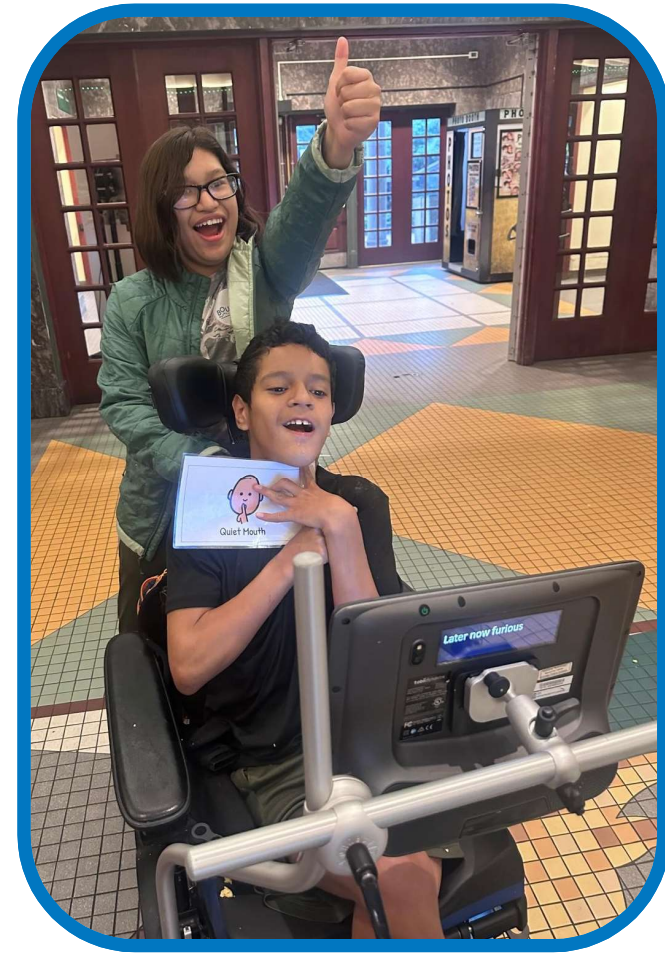


We made the scavenger hunt into a competition and had so much fun.

~ Romance, Bounce Mom



Thank you for transforming lives and helping our families to *Bounce!*



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