



TOUR OF CHAMPIONS
CHARITY RIDE



BENEFITTING



WIN FOR KC

The Women's Intersport Network for Kansas City (WIN for KC), was established in 1994 with the mission to empower girls and women through advocating and promoting the lifetime value of sports and fitness, while providing opportunities for participation and leadership development. WIN is a volunteer, membership-driven organization that operates as a program under the umbrella of the Kansas City Sports Commission and Foundation. WIN for KC exists because its volunteers and contributors believe in the physical and emotional well being of girls and women through involvement in sports and fitness. WIN for KC events and programs include participation and networking opportunities, leadership seminars, and promotions of women's events. WIN also recognizes girls and women's contributions to sport and advocates for equal opportunities. Studies show that girls and women who play sports have a more positive body image and experience higher states of psychological well-being than girls and women who do not play sports (Women's Sports Foundation 2001).

Dream Factory—Making Dreams Come True

“We grant dreams to critically and chronically ill children from the ages of three through eighteen.”

In 1980, The Dream Factory began with one all-volunteer chapter in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. Since then, The Dream Factory has grown into the second-largest children's wish-granting organization in the United States, granting over 25,000 dreams since its inception --all while maintaining a grassroots approach.

The Dream Factory continues to operate all 38 of its local chapters with over 5000 very dedicated volunteers. These hard-working individuals raise funds within their own communities and then use those funds to grant the dreams of local children. Because we do not employ people on a local level, 84% of all money raised by The Dream Factory is used directly to grant the dreams of critically and chronically ill children.

The Dream Factory is the only children's wish-granting organization that does not limit its mission to children who have life-threatening illness. The organization believes children with chronic illnesses and disorders also suffer from substantial emotional and physical pain. We strive to provide hope and relief from the trauma and corresponding stress and depression that both the children and their families can endure on a day-to-day basis. Doctors agree that providing a dream can improve the quality of life for these children and extend the life of a critically ill child.