

February 20, 2020

Dear Friend.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting the Albemarle County Volley Club charity tournament to benefit cancer programs at UVA Children's. This letter is serves to acknowledge that proceeds from this event will be donated to the UVA Children's to provide support for families who have children fighting cancer.

The funds raised from this event will provide comfort items to the families to help make coming into clinic a little less frightening. The fund supports things such as (but not exclusive to) the following:

- Toys and stuffed animals to help patients feel safe during their treatment
- Books to take home after a clinic visits
- Gas cards and food vouchers for families who could not otherwise afford to drive or eat due to the financial burden treating a kid with cancer can have
- Celebratory gifts for kids who finish their final round of chemotherapy

Children don't deserve to get cancer but when they do, it is up to us as members of their community to pitch in to help them fight. By supporting this event you are helping kids like Raygan.

Raygan (Ray Ray) was very ill the night she was admitted to UVA Children's Hospital and introduced to Dr. Brian Belyea, a pediatric oncologist. They have been buddies ever since! At just 21 months old, Ray Ray was diagnosed with cancer: stage IV high risk neuroblastoma. Her cancer attacked her bone marrow and she fought through 6 rounds of aggressive chemotherapy, radiation, immunotherapy, stem cell transplants, and surgery throughout 17 months. It was a tough road but Ray Ray, now 7, is cancer free! Her family credits Dr. Belyea and the team at UVA with saving her life!



Thank you again for supporting the tournament, UVA Children's, and kids like Ray Ray. If you have any questions regarding your donations, please do not hesitate to reach out.

For The Kids!

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