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INSIDE FJC


*** FJC donors can use their donor advised fund to support friends and family who participate in walk-a-thons and other races. **FJC's Director of Operations** Jeannine Corey will participate in the June 13-14 **American Cancer Society's Relay for Life** in Garfield, NJ. If you would like to recommend a grant in support of Jeannine's participation, please submit a recommendation for the American Cancer Society and indicate "Jeannine – Relay for Life" in the Special Instructions.

FJC CONTINUES TO EXPAND OUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS TO MEET YOUR NEEDS

In times when many charitable organizations are being forced to cut back their programs, FJC is pleased to announce that we are still able to provide additional programs and make updates to our prior offerings to meet the needs of our account holders and the organizations they choose to support.

As of April 1, 2009, the **new minimum** for **grant recommendations and FJC Gift Certificates** has been reduced to **\$100** from \$180. You can find updated [Gift Certificate](#) and [Grant Recommendation](#) Forms online.

Donors may now make **contributions** to accounts maintained at FJC using **PayPal**. PayPal offers our donors a **lower processing fee**, resulting in **more charitable dollars being applied to your account**; the ability for FJC to provide our account holders with **customized buttons** for their websites and links for email solicitations; and the **transfer of funds** to FJC's account **weekly**. To make a contribution to your FJC account via PayPal, please visit <http://www.fjc.org/donate-cc-info.shtml>.

FJC is now on . To become a fan of FJC click on the hyperlink button to the left, the Facebook icon of FJC's homepage, or search "FJC Foundation" in Facebook. Becoming a fan will ensure that you're up to date on any FJC news and will give you the opportunity to learn more about some of the projects that participate in our Fiscal Sponsorship and Collective Giving programs through the Causes we support. It will also give you the chance to win a **\$100 Gift Certificate!** **Become a fan of FJC by August 1, 2009 and you will be entered into a drawing to win 1 of 3 \$100 FJC Gift Certificates.** We encourage all participants with a Facebook page to become a fan of FJC so we can support each other in our online efforts.

A recent report by John Bridgeland and Bruce Reed, "**The Quiet Crisis: The Impact of the Economic Downturn on the Nonprofit Sector**," focuses on the social impact of the reduction of nonprofit services offered, and the nonprofit workforce. The nonprofit sector employs roughly 11% of the US workforce and accounts for 5% of the Gross Domestic Product. As many organizations are faced with the decision to cut services or close their doors, we're proud to announce the FJC donors have risen to the task of supporting organizations in need.

Compared to 2008, the **first quarter of 2009** had a **3% increase** in the total number of charitable **dollars distributed** from FJC accounts and a **75% increase** in the total **dollars contributed to FJC accounts**. FJC will continue to look for innovative ways to assist the nonprofit community and our account holders during these uncertain times. We've seen a significant increase in the number of Collective Giving Accounts being opened in the last six months. These Collective Giving Accounts allow people to respond to calls to action by making smaller donations, leveraging the power of a larger group whose funds are responsibly and professionally managed by FJC.

Sharing Success



CNI Cochlear Kids Camps

www.theCNI.org/hearing/kidscamp

Hearing loss is devastating at any age. But when a child can't hear, the impact is both very personal and very far-reaching. Studies show that the cost for society to raise a deaf child exceeds \$1 million dollars over a lifetime. A cochlear implant, with its surgically implanted component and its external sound processor, can change that. This FDA-approved hearing device, which results in the technological miracle of bringing its recipient out of silence and into an environment of sound, has been shown to be one of the most cost-effective medical technologies available. Children as young as 9 months can receive the implant and, with their families' active participation, they begin the journey of learning to hear as "Cochlear Kids."

A "Cochlear Kid" occupies a very unique niche. While an implant allows amazing gains in sound and permits most recipients to attend mainstreamed schools, "Cochlear Kids" live between the worlds of deafness and hearing which can be extremely challenging - academically, culturally and socially. Typically, the implant recipient is not only the sole deaf member of the family but is often the only child in his or her school, or even district, with a cochlear implant. True peers are rare and the feeling of isolation or being perceived by schoolmates as different can be overwhelming. To provide a respite from this, Dr. David Kelsall, Medical Director of the non-profit Colorado Neurological Institute's (CNI) Center for Hearing, launched the CNI Cochlear Kids Camps in 2001.

The mission of each of the 4-day/3-night summer camps is to bring families together to celebrate the hard work and achievements of children with cochlear implants. These residential camps provide a safe, friendly setting where people from all across the US, Canada and Mexico share their experiences, while building self-confidence, brainstorming ideas and sharing a laugh or a tear. Based on the belief that the entire family must collaborate to ensure success for the implant child, the camp provides specific opportunities for parents to meet parents, siblings to meet siblings, and most importantly, "Cochlear Kids" to meet and connect with other "Cochlear Kids." Parents often report that the camp is the first time their children have seen others with an implant and the impact is very powerful...for the first time, the child doesn't feel alone or different. In fact, having an implant is "cool" for "Cochlear Kids" who are surrounded by 50 or more peers at each camp as well as numerous healthcare professionals and adult volunteers with implants, many of whom are CNI Cochlear Kids Camp alumni.

As a community outreach program of the 501 (c)(3) CNI Center for Hearing, the camps are offered at greatly subsidized rates - a family of four pays only about 25% of the actual expense (\$300 of \$1,250 for a family of four). The remaining costs are paid for by tax-deductible donations from individuals, foundations and corporate sponsors. With adequate funding, the camps will continue to be offered twice each year for "Cochlear Kids" and their families.

To learn more, please visit the website at www.thecni.org/hearing/kidscamp, email jstucky@thecni.org or call 303.806.7416. If you would like to make a *donation from your FJC account* to support CNI's programs, please submit a grant recommendation for *Colorado Neurological Institute designated for CNI Cochlear Kids Camp*. The Colorado Neurological Institute can be found in the DonorWeb's charity list for online recommendations.