



FACT SHEET

MISSION

The Marty Lyons Foundation, Inc. is a not for profit, charitable, tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) organization, incorporated in New York, October 1982 to fulfill wishes of children who have been diagnosed with life-threatening or terminal illness. It is unique in that it will consider granting a second wish to a deserving child.

POPULATION SERVED

Children who are chronologically aged 3 to 17 years old

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED

MLF is registered in 13 states – Alabama, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- Wish applicants must reside or are being treated in a geographic area where MLF is registered.
- MLF does not make any distinction in granting a wish relative to race, ethnicity, gender, socio-economic status, sexual orientation or language.
- Over 7,700 wishes have been completed to date since 1982.
- MLF is unique in providing 1st & 2nd wishes. The 2nd wish program covers children who fell out of remission, facing more battles with their illnesses & the reality of death. Virtually all medical options have been exhausted and these children are essentially at an end-of-life stage or receiving hospice care.
- There needs to be 24 months between 1st & 2nd wishes regardless of the wish granting organization providing the first wish.
- MLF currently has 10 chapters which are run by an all-volunteer team.
- MLF operates with three paid employees.
- MLF utilizes 94% of the donated funds towards program services.

2018 EVENTS

- 5th Annual Marty Gras Dinner Party – Saturday, February 17th
- 14th Annual Bowling for Wishes/ Suffolk – TBD
- 16th Annual Casino Night (Beneficiary Event) – Friday, April 13th
- 6th Annual TD 5 Boro Bike Tour – Sunday, May 6th
- 6th SBYC Fishing Tournament (Beneficiary Event) – Saturday, June 2nd
- 33rd Annual Celebrity Golf Outing - Monday, July 9th
- 24th Annual Bowling for Wishes/ Nassau – TBD
- 20th Annual LI Golf Outing – Monday, September 24th
- 14th Annual FL Golf Outing – Monday, October 8th

