



JDJ Foundation
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Presidential Note



I am extremely grateful for your kindness and generosity. It motivates me to stay focused on growing our impact as much as possible. I personally want to thank each one of you for supporting our charitable efforts and for being a key part of our ongoing growth. I have learned so much over the past 4 years while running our nonprofit and am looking forward to continuing this journey with all of you. We are making a significant impact, and I am very excited about our momentum. The future is very bright for JDJ. Merry Christmas and Happy & Healthy 2022!

James Blauvelt
President, JDJ Foundation

Upcoming Q1 2022 Events

- **2/5 [3V3 NYC Basketball Tournament](#)** – We are looking for sponsors!
- **March [Miracle Mustaches](#)**
- **3/6 [MSK Blood Drive](#)** – Upper East Side
- **5/15 [Cycle for Survival](#)** – Hudson Yards

2021 Accomplishments

- Reached **\$500,000** donated to leading cancer research
- Granted our **20th wheelchair**, totaling over **\$105,000** in equipment to kids in need
- Announced a partnership with **NYRR** to cover racing equipment & transportation costs
- Hit our **2,270** peer-to-peer fundraising donation, bringing our total to over **\$178,000**
- Helped **cancer patients** outside of the hospital by donating food, gas & other gifts

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2021 Accomplishments Continued

- Pivoted our scholarship program to help students hurt by cancer. **\$26,000** in tuition aid
- Donated **\$25,000** to help a family make their home more wheelchair accessible
- Raised over **\$225,000** from our generous supporters
- Got back to **in-person events** and significantly lowered expenses at all of our fundraisers
- Gave out more than **\$800,000** to support our charitable mission since our 2018 launch



As a fully volunteer-run organization, we are always looking for help. Willing to offer your time and skills? Please reach out as we would greatly appreciate it.

Do you know someone who needs a wheelchair or requires assistance from our cancer financial support program? Please let us know, and we will try to help. You can contact us [here](#).

JDJ Holiday Cards

Interested in sending a holiday card and also helping those in need? We are giving away holiday card bundles to anyone who donates \$50. Cards include a wonderful holiday message as well as this JDJ sticker on the back.



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Giving Tuesday 2021



Thanks to your love and support, we raised **\$6,630** from our wheelchair Giving Tuesday campaign (**almost doubling our goal**).

“When I became a parent of a disabled child, one of my fears was that I would never go to share the coaching experience I had with my father. JDJ gifting us this racing chair has allowed my daughter and me to make lots of sports-related memories.”

-Tom Shannon

The IRS continued its tax benefit due to the CARES Act which means it allows donors to deduct \$300 (\$600 for married filing jointly) for charitable contributions from their 2021 return. So now more than ever, it's worth making a \$300 donation to JDJ before the year is over to claim the deduction if you haven't already.

Click [here](#) for more information.



In the News

Children's Brain Tumor Network Receives Critical Government Support for Genetic Research of Pediatric Tumors

Utilizing RNA sequencing data provided through CBTN, researchers classify pediatric gliomas and their immune microenvironment, therefore opening the door for new and improved immunotherapeutic options. Read more [here](#).

Mastercard: A simple change makes new credit card easier to use for blind and sight-impaired people

Mastercard announced a new design that helps sight-impaired people orient their bank card and quickly determine whether they are using a credit card, a debit card, or a prepaid card. The so-called Touch Cards feature one of three different notches on the shorter end of the card: a round indentation for credit cards, a square indentation for debit cards, and a triangular indentation for prepaid cards. Read more [here](#).