

((S4S)) Talking Points

Every \$25 helps a child receive toy deliveries.

Donate today.

Over 1600 streamers have raised approximately 3 million for Starlight since S4S first began in 2019.

Streamers and their communities have helped deliver happiness to **over 3 million** seriously ill children.



Can I get 10 people to donate \$10 right now to help 4 kids receive toys?

Starlight Talking Points

- **Mission:** Starlight Children's Foundation Delivers happiness to seriously ill children and their families
- Starlight is America's broadest-reaching charity. Starlight supports over 800 children's hospitals and other facilities across the US.
- Starlight can prioritize delivering programs to kids in greatest need. In 2024, 46% of Starlight's hospital and medical facility network impacted medically underserved and vulnerable populations.
- You can donate to Starlight with confidence. For eight consecutive years, Starlight received a four-star rating from **Charity Navigator, the highest rating a charity can receive.**
- Starlight offers programs free of cost to hospitals and families, thanks to your donations.

Power of Play Talking Points

- Play is an essential part of care because it normalizes the hospital setting, making it less stressful for kids.
- Play is how kids learn. Through play, kids can rehearse and prepare for a procedure.
- Play helps kids build confidence, feel happier and more in control.
- Play helps kids process emotions, express fears and make sense of their experience.



Play Supports Happiness and Healing

- Playing with something familiar like LEGO bricks creates a safe and comfortable environment for kids.
- When kids play with LEGO sets, they forget about treatments and focus on building, laughing and just being kids.

You can **be a hero** for hospitalized kids today. \$40 helps fund the delivery of one Starlight gown.

Sofia's Story

- When 4-year-old Sophia was diagnosed with leukemia, she faced a lot of hard days – painful procedures, medicine side effects, and long hospital stays.
- Sophia has a big smile when she plays Mario Kart on the Starlight Gaming Station in the infusion room – it's a fun and positive distraction!
- When she's gaming, Sophia forgets that she's getting treatment and just gets to be a kid.

\$100 can provide hours of play and distraction with Starlight Gaming. **Can I get 10 people to donate \$10?**

Starlight Programs



98% of Starlight hospital partners **strongly agree or agree** that Starlight programs help put kids at **ease and combat kids' anxieties and stress** while in the hospital.

Starlight Gaming

Starlight Gaming Stations and Handhelds are hospital-approved, meet safety protocols and are designed to go anywhere in the hospital. Powered by Nintendo®, Starlight Gaming Stations and Handhelds are pre-loaded with 25 kid-friendly games.

When kids play on Starlight Gaming Stations and handhelds:

- It gives positive distraction and redirects their focus from pain or boredom.
- Provides chances for decision-making, problem-solving, and helps them feel more in control of their environment.
- Promotes socialization and a sense of community with other patients and hospital staff through gaming together.

Starlight Hospital Gowns

One of the most stressful experiences in a child's hospital journey is transitioning from their personal clothes into a hospital gown.

- Only 5% of pediatric patients are comfortable in a traditional hospital gown
- Kids feel more comfortable and confident in Starlight Gowns.
- Starlight Gowns tie down the side for privacy, snaps for easy access to medical procedures and are brightly colored with fun designs.
- Starlight Gowns reduce anxiety for kids, and the fun-character designs make them feel like superheroes.

In a recent study, **78.8%** of Starlight Hospital Partners said Starlight toys created opportunities for patients to interact with healthcare teams and **build trusting relationships**.

Starlight Hero Wagons

- The Starlight Radio Flyer Hero Wagon has padded seats that are easily sanitized by hospital staff, along with an IV pole attachment, making it easier for all patients to enjoy a wagon ride.
- Starlight Hero Wagons turn hospital hallways into joyrides and explorations, giving families a break from their room and letting kids chat with people they see.
- Starlight Hero Wagons are places where kids feel safe and comforted when they feel afraid of the hospital.

Starlight Toy Deliveries

- Starlight Toy Deliveries, including toys, books, games, and crafting materials, are hospital-approved, brand-new, and meet strict safety and infection control standards.
- Kids use toys to express emotions, calm anxious hearts and feel secure.
- Imaginative play with toys and staff helps them learn about their procedures.

Donate at starlight.org