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[Children's Respite Homes of America](#) (CRHA) is marking an important moment as the Scottsdale-based nonprofit celebrates its third anniversary. Founded to support the development of children's respite, palliative, and hospice care homes nationwide, CRHA has quickly become a driving force in a movement that aims to ensure medically fragile children can receive compassionate, community-based care close to home.

As an awareness initiative of the National Center for Pediatric Palliative Care Homes (NCPCH), the organization has spent its first three years building momentum, partnerships, and leadership in communities across the country. To honor this milestone, CRHA is launching its 2025-2026 Fundraising Drive with a goal of raising more than \$350,000. The campaign is designed to expand the nonprofit's national reach and deepen its impact by strengthening education, advocacy, and community support efforts.

"As we enter our pivotal fourth year, we've set an ambitious goal to expand our national reach and accelerate the impact of this movement," said Jonathan Cottor, CEO and Founder of NCPCH. "These funds will help us advance our education, advocacy, and community support initiatives - each of which is essential to building a sustainable foundation for respite homes across the country."

The drive is already gaining traction thanks to transformational gifts from the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation and the Diane & Bruce Halle Foundation. Their support adds to a growing list of philanthropic partners who have embraced CRHA's mission.

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Since launching, the organization has raised more than \$540,000 from foundations and donors including the Y.C. Ho Helen & Michael Chiang Foundation, Abigail E. Keller Foundation, Levin Family Charitable Foundation, George Mark Children's House, Nicholson Family Foundation, Schwartz Wiekamp Foundation, and the Steve & Lois Mihaylo Foundation.

CRHA emphasizes that contributions of all types - whether one-time donations, stock gifts, company matches, or even vehicle donations - play a vital role in sustaining its work.

"This is an exciting period of growth for us," Cottor added. "Every donation helps build the infrastructure needed to sustain this essential work, ensuring that families of medically fragile children can access trusted respite and palliative care in their own communities."

Cottor also highlighted the unique role pediatric respite care homes play within the larger landscape of family support services. While organizations like Ronald McDonald House and St. Jude's provide crucial housing and resources during hospital stays, respite care homes offer something fundamentally different.

"Families caring for children with life-limiting or medically complex conditions provide hospital-level care at home, often around the clock," he said. "Without access to respite, the constant strain can lead to caregiver burnout, failed home care, and preventable hospitalizations. Our mission is to change that reality - one community at a time."

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