



Families of Critically-Ill Children are Invited to a FREE Day of Surf, Sand, and Sun

Miracles for Kids Announces its 11th Annual "Surf & Paddle" Camp Schedule, in Collaboration with Boardriders, Waves of Impact

IRVINE, Calif. – (DIST DATE, 2022): Come join in on the thrill of one of the best days of the year for [Miracles for Kids](#) member families - a magical afternoon when time stands still, worries are left at the door, and every huge smile is a testament to the joy of the moment. While families across America are gearing up for summertime travel adventures, parents of a critically-ill child continue to face the ongoing struggles and stresses of managing everyday care needs. So, Miracles for Kids is bringing the fun to them with their 11th annual "Surf & Paddle" Summer Camp, in collaboration with Boardriders and Waves of Impact.

Miracles for Kids empowers people to "be the miracle" for families struggling with the battle against a child's life-threatening illness. Leveraging the power of community, the California-based non-profit provides for essential needs such as housing and bills, in addition to fun, family-friendly opportunities for critically-ill children and their siblings to experience joyful play.

This July, "Surf & Paddle" Summer Camp offers a much-needed physical/mental respite for the entire family with a chance to enjoy a day of sun, surf, and sand for FREE. Parents get a break from the overwhelm of ongoing care management, with nothing on their agenda but watching their kids experience the achievement of learning something new. Siblings get a day that feels all about them, too, where they can play a central role in the fun, receiving the same special treatment and attention. Child patients get to enjoy a moment of feeling like just a fun-loving kid again as spirits are lifted and they get to run wild on the beach instead of running to doctor's appointments. Best of all: volunteers get to witness an impactful day focused on bringing families together and creating lasting memories.

Beginning July 7th, critically-ill children and their siblings (ages 5-22) are invited to experience surfing/stand up paddle (SUP) activities led by expert instructors from Waves of Impact and Boardriders. To make the event more accessible for a wider variety of families, registration includes lunch, beach activities (beach games, boogie boarding, and more), plus transportation. All skill levels are encouraged to participate and family members are welcome to attend.

This year's "Surf & Paddle" schedule includes:

- **Thursday, July 7th** - Surf Day, 7am-2pm in Orange County at the Newport Beach Pier
- **Wednesday, July 13th** - Stand Up Paddle/Kayak Day, 7:30am-2pm at the Newport Aquatic Center, 1 Whitecliffs Dr. Newport Beach
- **Friday, July 22nd** - Surf Day, 7am-2pm in Orange County at the Newport Beach Pier

Learn how you can "be the miracle" for families in need and explore internships, corporate sponsorships, community programs, giving circles, or local events at [MiraclesForKids.org](https://www.MiraclesForKids.org).

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About Miracles for Kids:

Miracles for Kids is a 501(c)(3) non-profit serving children with life-threatening illnesses and the families that care for them. Founded in 2002, and led by Co-Founder & CEO Autumn Strier for nearly 20 years, the organization creates stability for families that are crumbling from the financial and emotional devastation of fighting for their child's life. With programs providing financial aid, basic needs, housing, and wellness to patients and their families, **Miracles for Kids** fulfills a mission to help caregivers battle bankruptcy, homelessness, hunger, and depression, so they can concentrate on what matters most. Based in Irvine, California, the Miracles team currently serves CHOC Children's Hospital, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital, Rady Children's, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital, and Loma Linda University Hospital. Follow on Instagram @MiraclesForKids to see how your efforts make a difference. Learn more and discover ways to get involved at [MiraclesForKids.org](https://www.MiraclesForKids.org).

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