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## **Team LJCCF Runs to Help Children Fighting Cancer, and their Families.**

Team LJCCF ran the Cleveland Half Marathon to bring relief to families and joy to their sick children as they battle cancer. Funds raised by members of Team LJCCF will go to further the Fitness Room Project at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland Ohio.

Over the past several months, Team LJCCF, a group of runners assembled to raise funds to help children with cancer, took on the task of physically training to accomplish the goal of completing the Cleveland Half Marathon. Team LJCCF worked very hard to raise money, to bring relief to families and joy to their sick children as they do battle with cancer, by accepting pledges and donations. On Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, their efforts were rewarded and their goals were successfully accomplished.

Team LJCCF members met for the race early Sunday morning and ran and/or walked the complete Half Marathon course, earning their finisher's medallions upon crossing the finish line. (See pictures at: <http://www.littlejason.org/Pictures-and-Videos.html> ) In addition to accomplishing the difficult challenge of the 13.1 mile course, members of Team LJCCF were able to raise enough money to fund most of Phase II of the fitness room project at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital. This fitness room is being provided by LJCCF so that the families whose children are fighting cancer at the hospital do not have to go far from there sick child to maintain a healthy mind and body through fitness training and exercise.

Phase I of the fitness room project involved making a formal agreement with Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital and starting the conversion of what was a storage room on the pediatric cancer floor, which now is in the process of becoming a fitness room. Phase I also involved initial fund raising events such as the Cleveland-to-Cincinnati Bike-a-thon titled Cycling for Childhood Cancer, a concert, and other events. Phase II of the fitness room project, which is now beginning, will involve purchasing and adding fixtures such as gym mirrors and a mural for the walls, rubber flooring, a flat screen TV with wall mount, a DVD player, a CD player, and speakers. These items will be added in preparation for the final phase, Phase III, which will complete the project. Phase III will involve purchasing and installing such equipment as a treadmill, an exercise bike, an elliptical rider, and a resistance machine.

To help bring this project to completion, please consider participating in one or more of the Little Jason Childhood Cancer Foundation's events or making a donation. The Little Jason Childhood Cancer Foundation's website is [www.littlejason.org](http://www.littlejason.org) . The site contains a record of everything that has been accomplished to date, and all future events that are being planned.

“Thank you!” to each member of Team LJCCF for participating in the Cleveland Half Marathon, and for making the sincere effort to make a difference in the lives of so many. And, “Thank you!” to everyone who has donated/pledged to our cause. Your efforts and generous contributions *will* make a significant difference and will help bring relief to families and joy to their sick children as they do battle with cancer.

Very Sincerely,

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