

# REPORT 2017 October Cycle

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Organization Information

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## REPORT INFORMATION

<b>Report Funding Cycle:</b> 2017 October Cycle	<b>Report Date:</b> 07/26/2019 12:00 am
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**1: Please include in your report the dollar amount of the funds that were awarded, the date they were funded and what the funds supported.**

Awarded Amount: 20,000	Date: 10/12/2018
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**2: Were the objectives cited in your original proposal met? Please address each started objective and how it was met.**

This prom is completely free of charge for the children treated at the four children's cancer facilities in San Antonio. Our goal is to offer a much-needed event for children struggling with cancer and survivors. Their families, doctors, and nurses join them and their families to have fun and honor them for the heroes they truly are.

**3: Please explain any changes from the original proposal and the circumstances that lead to the modification of the objective.**

There were no changes from the original proposal.

**4: What needs were addressed?**

There are not many cancer organizations that support different pediatric cancer diagnoses, therefore LLS opens its doors to children with all forms of cancer and their families. We know that adherence to medical treatment plans and access to services are one of the main determining factors for better survival rates. LLS South Central Texas Chapter works to offer programs, events and support groups focused on pediatric patients and their families. Bringing families to these events and making them aware of the wider community supporting them has a direct impact on positive outcomes for patients and families. Through our partnerships with hospitals, medical professionals, social workers, and community resource providers, we are able to work with patients and their families. We have learned that identifying patients and families and hosting events that pull them into the broader community around them is key for survivorship. Already facing increased medical costs and often the loss of income to care for sick children, families have limited financial resources. Because of that, we and our community partners work to provide events for the whole family where children with cancer and their parents and siblings are able to meet and share common concerns in the setting of fun for the whole family. The idea of trying to plan around sometimes overwhelming medical concerns is often too much for a parent or caregiver. Feedback from families overwhelmingly supports the idea that events like these are very helpful and benefit the whole community of people surrounding the children.

**5: What method of evaluation did you use to monitor and measure the project's outcome and what are the result?**

Programs are evaluated using participant questionnaires distributed after the event to patients and families and to our community partners. While criteria are different for the patient and professional feedback, both are reviewed and analyzed by LLS staff to assure objectives have been met. Questionnaires are also used to plan for upcoming events.

All patient service programs in South Central Texas Chapter are administered by a Region Mission Director, Nicole Bell. Nicole is a Licensed Masters Social Worker with almost 2 decades of medical social work experience. Ms. Bell has provided oncology social work to both adult and pediatric blood cancer patients. Our Chapter also has a full-time Patient Access Manager, Chelsea Hart who is based in San Antonio and has a degree in psychology and non-profit management. Nicole and Chelsea are fully dedicated to helping local patients and their families.

**6: Do you plan to continue this project, and if so, how do you plan to sustain it?**

This program, as well as some of our programs that are unique to this Chapter must be funded locally. We work hard to make sure that services are available year in and year out for patients, survivors and their families free of charge. We currently plan to sustain Little Heroes Prom through grant funds.

**7: Please provide any other comments of information relevant to this grant.**

While there are occasional events for children with cancer, we are not aware of any regular programs such as Little Heroes Prom. We have found in working with patients and their families that fun and relaxed events involving community volunteers and resources would fulfill a real need in the community. A "whole family" based approach bringing together a relaxed atmosphere, community volunteers and medical professionals. LLS already works with local hospitals, community agencies, and other non-profits through its Patient Services Programs. We constantly work to engage new community partners in order to provide new resources and assistance to families.

**8: Please provide an updated detailed projected budget with expenses for the received grant. Also include the totals for the budgeted and actual amount. Explain any discrepancies between the budgeted and the actual expenses for the project.**

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Requested Funds	Project Funds Actual	Najim Funds Allocation
	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
Limo	\$1,545	\$0	\$1,545	\$0
Printing and mailing	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,218	\$0

Chocolate Fountain	\$1,375	\$0	\$1,375	\$0
Patient Gift	\$2,000	\$0	\$1,267	\$0
Photos	\$1,242	\$0	\$1,242	\$0
Clown	\$100	\$0	\$100	\$0
Raffle items	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,500	\$0
Decor	\$895	\$0	\$546	\$0
Venue and Food	\$23,000	\$0	\$22,703	\$0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$34,157</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$33,496</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
<b>Signature</b>				
Chelsea Michelle Hart				