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Impact Report 2025

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Coming off the milestone of our 10th anniversary, 2025 was a year of transforming momentum into measurable impact. At The Champion Cares Foundation, we have always believed that true change happens when a community moves together. This past year, we reached a historic milestone in our journey: surpassing \$5 million in total giving and contributing over 10,500 volunteer hours since our inception.

Our mission remains clear: To equip and empower organizations meeting our community's critical needs, focusing our efforts on organizations serving Central Ohio in the areas of Health & Wellness, Human Services, and Youth Development. These three pillars guide our giving and ensure we are addressing our community's greatest needs with precision and heart.

Our Three Pillars in Action

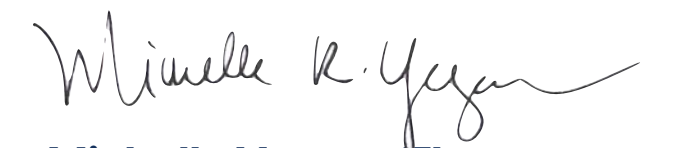
Health & Wellness: We believe in a holistic approach to community health, with a focus on medical research. In 2025, we deepened our ties with The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Pelotonia, sending 12 riders onto the road to raise funds for life-saving cancer research. Our support in this pillar continues to fund innovative treatments that save lives.

Human Services: Stability begins with the basic necessities of food and shelter. This year, our team helped build our 6th home with Habitat for Humanity and served meals at the YWCA Family Center on six different occasions.

We also mobilized our team for five dedicated volunteer events to pack weekend meal boxes with the Children's Hunger Alliance, ensuring no child faces food insecurity when they leave the classroom.

Youth Development: Investing in the leaders of tomorrow is a cornerstone of our work. We were proud to continue our long-standing support of Big Brothers Big Sisters by sponsoring their "Bowl for Kids' Sake" fundraising event, helping provide the mentorship and resources Central Ohio youth need to thrive.

Our commitment to giving back goes beyond a check; it is about mobilizing our entire ecosystem of partners and connections. Together, we are fostering a culture of generosity that resonates across our region. *Thank you for being part of our \$5 million legacy.* Together, our actions are creating an impact for those who need it most within our Central Ohio community.


Michelle Yeager-Thornton
The Champion Cares Foundation





Members of the Champion team helping serve meals at the YWCA Family Center

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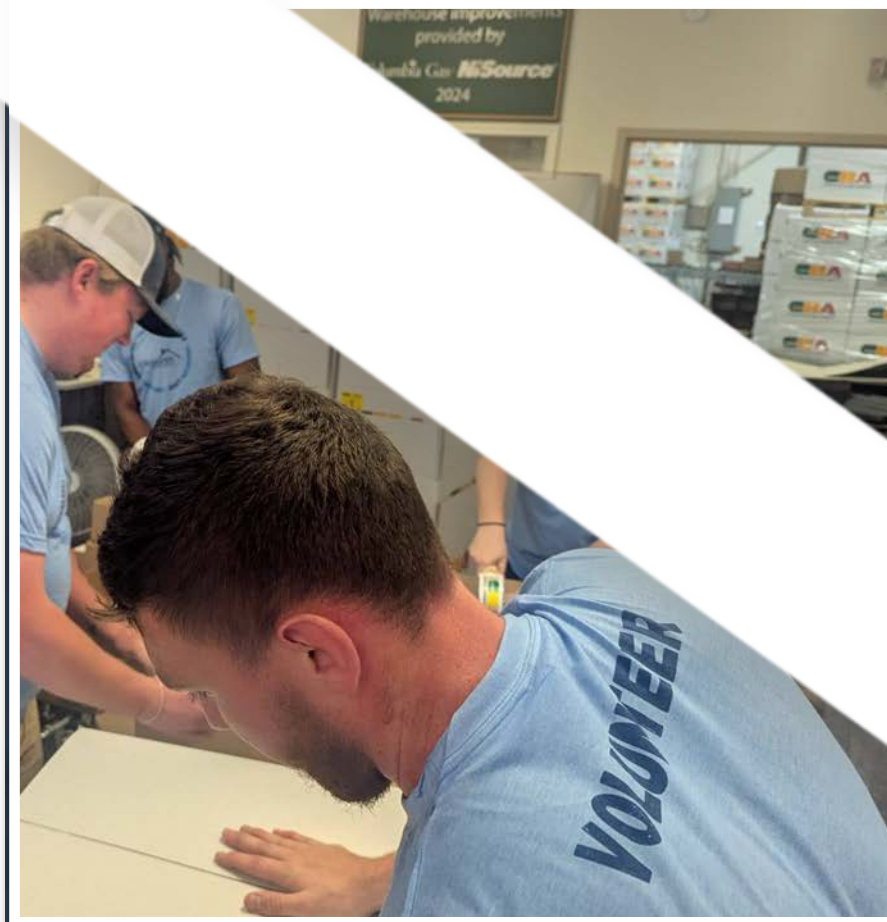
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Who We Are

The Champion Cares Foundation supports organizations serving Central Ohio in the areas of Health, Human Services and Youth Development. Champion Cares leverages its extensive network of public, private and non-profit groups to create partnerships that address the community's greatest needs. By making connections and raising awareness, Champion Cares combines world-class expertise with philanthropic support for its partner organizations. To date, Champion Cares has given back \$5M+ and over 10,500+ volunteer hours to the community.





Champion Cares Foundation

Champion Cares Snapshot 2025

In 2025 Champion Cares stayed engaged with long-time partners, as well as partnering with newer causes, which allowed us to maximize team member volunteer participation and further diversify our financial support.

2025 Team Member Donations

\$40,045

Round up Your Rent Program Community Donations

Includes Champion Cares Foundation Match

\$27,435

Notable Beneficiaries 2025

Beneficiary	2025
The Tim Tebow Foundation	\$175,000
The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital	\$147,500
Pelotonia	\$60,000
YWCA Family Center	\$53,000
Families Flourish Inc.	\$50,000
Columbus Children's Charity	\$50,000
Children's Hunger Alliance	\$37,500
Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$25,150



\$761,050

Total Grants 2025

Team Member Volunteer Hours

615



Giving Spotlight

Pelotonia

2025 WHY I RIDE

Every August, the roads fill with more than just cyclists—they fill with hope. Each year, a dedicated team from Champion joins thousands of others in Pelotonia, a ride fueled by a singular, ambitious goal: ending cancer.

For our riders, it's about more than the miles logged or the hills climbed; it's about the names on their jerseys. **This is why they ride.**

PELOTONIA® I RIDE FOR...

Mom

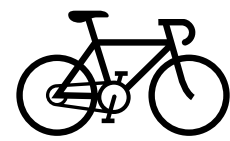
Each year, cancer seems to come closer to home. From witnessing extended family members and friends navigate treatment, to my mom being diagnosed in 2023. I'm riding for my mom, who is once again undergoing treatment after two years in remission.



"I ride with the memory of those I've lost, in support of those still fighting, and in honor of everyone who has ever faced this battle."

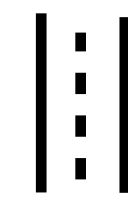


Funds Raised



Funds Raised a in 2025

\$65,459



Funds Raised All-Time

\$300k



PELOTONIA® I RIDE FOR...

Grandma
Grandpa
Husband
Cousin



Britany

Whitney

PELOTONIA
I RIDE FOR...
a Cure!

There have been great strides made in curing/ treating various types of cancer and this would not have happened without the research funds that Pelotonia provides.



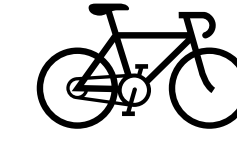
Caroline



“I stay motivated by remembering how most people who have been diagnosed with cancer are unable to ride a bike.”

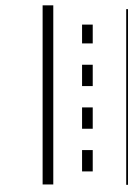
“Each name carries a story. Each mile is for them.”

2025 Champion Team Stats



Number of Riders

12



Total Miles Completed

525



Patrick



PELOTONIA
I RIDE FOR...

- Dad
- Aunt Peggy
- Yia Yia Danny
- Greg Ross



Volunteer Spotlight

Habitat for Humanity



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

The Champion Cares Foundation sponsored its **6th home build** with Habitat for Humanity in 2025.



Over six different build days, 45 Champion team members volunteered their time to help build a home for a Central Ohio family in need.



The Champion Cares Foundation

Who We Helped

Champion Cares Foundation surpasses \$5 Million given

Children's Hunger Alliance

The Champion Cares Foundation was proud to partner with CHA to pack weekend meal boxes which are intended to complement meal services currently provided by school districts, childcare facilities or youth-serving organizations. In 2025, Champion Cares packed over 10,712 weekend meal boxes for students who experience food insecurity. In addition, we sponsored two CHA events, Menu of Hope and Taste to Remember.

The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital

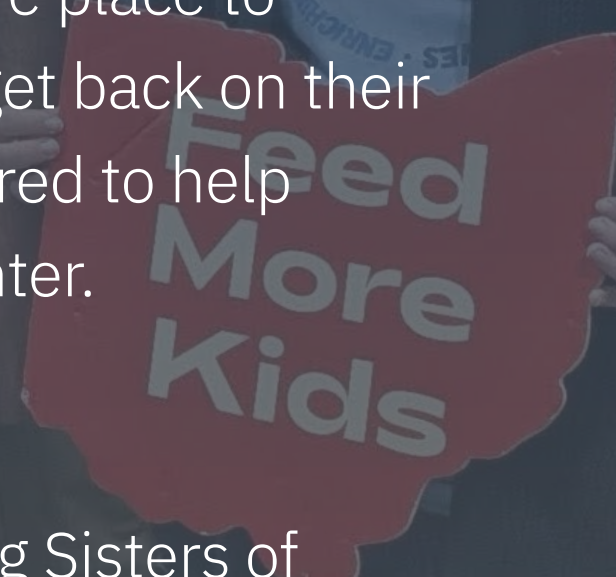
We sponsored the Harvest of Hope, a fundraiser with proceeds benefiting Ohio State's Department of Molecular Medicine and Therapeutics. This newly formed department is accelerating progress toward innovative scientific discoveries that will lead to life-saving cancer treatments and contributes to OSUCCC - James' Ohio State's commitment to understanding, preventing and curing cancer.

YWCA Family Center

The Champion Cares Foundation continued its support with a 2025 contribution to the YWCA Family Center, to help them house homeless families and children in Central Ohio, providing meals, a safe place to sleep, personal necessities and programs to help parents get back on their feet. On six different occasions, Champion's team volunteered to help serve meals to the families staying at the YWCA Family Center.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio

We sponsored Bowl for Kids' Sake, which is Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio's biggest mentoring engagement event of the year. For over 40 years, funds raised through this event have supported their mission to ignite the power and promise of youth.



The Champion Companies

Programmatic Pillars

Champion Cares leverages its extensive network of public, private and non-profit groups to create partnerships that address the community's greatest needs.



Human Services



Human services organizations help people find stability, including help with basic needs like food and shelter, and also guidance, counseling, and treatment that promotes self-sufficiency and happiness in people's daily lives.

Youth Development

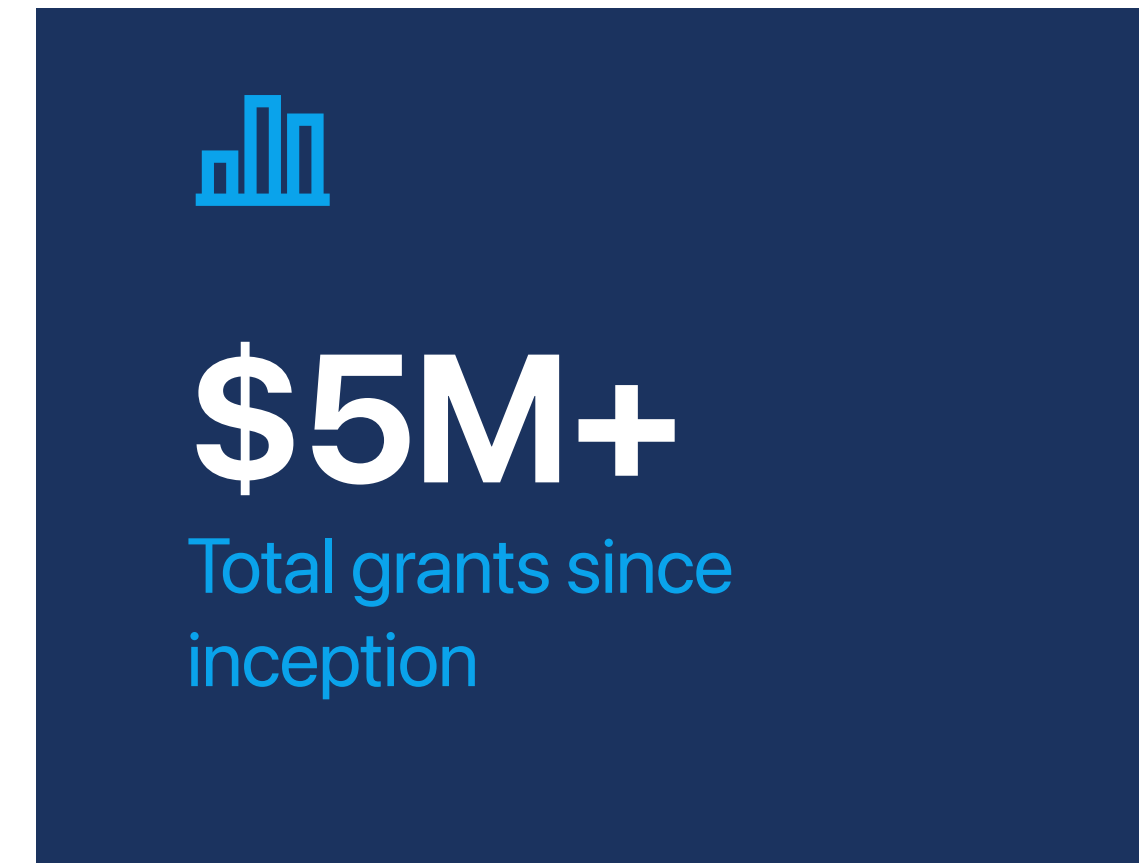


Youth development organizations help prepare young people to meet the challenges of adolescence and adulthood and to achieve their full potential.

Health & Wellness



Organizations that focus on health could mean rehabilitative health, disease and disorder treatment, medical research, or mental health and crisis intervention.



Financial Report

Beneficiary	Amount
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The Tim Tebow Foundation	\$175,000
YWCA Family Center	\$53,000
& other organizations	\$102,900
2025 Total	\$761,050

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio - bbbscolumbus.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio is a non-profit prevention-based agency that serves the community by providing quality mentoring relationships to children and youth in need of a friend. Big Brothers Big Sisters has a rich history of nurturing friendships between caring adult volunteers and promising children and youth. For more than 75 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters has served many thousands of children and youth in Franklin, Delaware and Union counties through its mentoring and camping programs.

YWCA Family Center - ywcacolumbus.org

YWCA Family Center is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. The YWCA Family Center provides emergency shelter and critical services to stabilize homeless families in Central Ohio. A national model, more than 70% of the families who use the YWCA Family Center are able to find housing within 21 days of entering the program.

Children’s Hunger Alliance - childrenshungeralliance.org

Children’s Hunger Alliance is known for feeding hungry minds and bodies. CHA works to ensure all children are fed regular and nutritious meals and develop lifelong healthy eating habits. CHA does this by directly feeding children, increasing easy access to nutritious food, and educating children about healthy food choices and physical activity.

Pelotonia - pelotonia.org

Pelotonia is an annual bicycling tour and nonprofit organization based in Columbus, Ohio that raises money for cancer research at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center - Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute. 100% of the funds donated to Pelotonia go directly toward funding cancer research.

Our Partnership with The Columbus Foundation



The Columbus Foundation Snapshot

The Columbus Foundation serves nearly 3,000 individuals, families, and businesses that have created unique funds and planned gifts to make a difference in the lives of others through the most effective philanthropy possible.

The Columbus Foundation is committed to strengthening the central Ohio community by providing services to donors, advancing the impact of nonprofits, and serving as leaders and conveners in the community. As a comprehensive, community-focused organization, we are built to respond to shifting community needs and opportunities, all thanks to the generosity of donors and philanthropic members of our community.

Source: The Columbus Foundation



The Columbus Foundation

The Columbus Foundation Mission

To assist donors and others in strengthening and improving our community for the benefit of all its residents.



“We feel it’s our purpose to empower people and make a difference in the lives of others.”

BRIAN YEAGER

*Brian Yeager and Michelle Yeager-Thornton
The Columbus Foundation spotlight*



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