



2025 Annual Report



Rocky Mountain
Children's Health
FOUNDATION

The power of community

As we reflect on 2025, we are filled with gratitude for this incredible community and the good we all did together! Time and again, you showed up for families facing some of the hardest moments of their lives, offering care, compassion, and hope when it was needed most.

This year we set incredible records, including the donation of one million ounces of milk through Mothers' Milk Bank in a single year—an extraordinary achievement that will nourish and protect countless fragile babies. We also launched Rowan's Fund, providing compassionate support to bereaved families, and celebrated the adoption of the 180th Stink Bug Dog, bringing comfort and healing to children through treatment and beyond.

At the same time, the challenges facing families with children in the hospital continued to grow. The loss of funding for critical programs like SNAP, combined with rising housing and food costs, placed added strain on families already navigating medical crises, grief, and financial uncertainty. In the face of these challenges, our community stepped up in a powerful way—coming together to help close the gap and ensure families could still access essential support during their most vulnerable moments.

What makes these accomplishments truly special is the many ways you, our amazing supporters, continue to show up. From gathering together at the Kaleidoscope Gala, to hosting cocktail parties and even young supporters setting up a lemonade stand, this incredible community found countless creative ways to give back. Your generosity takes many forms, and each one matters.

On behalf of the entire team at Rocky Mountain Children's Health Foundation, thank you for believing in our mission, standing alongside the families we serve, and making a lasting difference. We are deeply inspired by your generosity and look forward to all we can achieve together in 2026.

Cathy Sandoval
Executive Director



WE BELIEVE

Every family should feel supported through their child's medical journey.

Through direct financial assistance, the love and companionship of furry friends, and the magic of donor human milk, Rocky Mountain Children's Health Foundation supports families and children how and when they need it most.

Because when we do, families can focus on what really matters: *their child*.

Thanks to our incredible community, we provided critical support to thousands of children and families in 2025. **Here's a look at our year of impact:**

2,486 families received critical financial support through our Patient & Family Assistance program, including housing, food, and transportation

3,482 diapers, books, toys, distraction kits, and other items were distributed to children in the hospital and beyond, giving them a chance to just be a kid for a moment

3,240 support interactions from Posey and Lemon, the facility dogs at Rocky Mountain Children's, provided comfort and therapeutic support for children in their care

758,472 ounces of donor human milk were distributed to hospitals and newborns across the country

10 new Stink Bug Project dogs provided love and companionship to children facing serious health challenges



Our Programs

FINANCIAL, NUTRITIONAL, AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

Patient & Family Assistance

When a child is ill or injured, stressors quickly pile up. Day-to-day expenses shouldn't be one of them. Our PFA program offers a lifeline for families to meet their essential needs, from housing to food to transportation, so they can focus on what really matters: their child.

PAWS for RMC

Through a special partnership with HCA HealthONE Rocky Mountain Children's, our facility dogs Posey and Lemon help ease the stress many children feel while at the hospital. Their companionship gives patients something to look forward to and helps make the medical process less scary, both for them and for their families.

Mothers' Milk Bank

Mothers' Milk Bank plays a crucial role in supporting premature and medically fragile infants by collecting, processing, and distributing hundreds of thousands of ounces of donor human milk every year. The milk supports babies in the hospital—especially neonatal intensive care units—and those at home in need of additional supplementation.

The Stink Bug Project

Our Stink Bug dog adoption program embraces the healing power of animals by providing loving companion dogs for children facing difficult medical conditions. These dogs are thoughtfully trained to fit into a family with elevated needs, offering the children unconditional love that gets them through tough times.

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Highlights from 2025

OUR COMMUNITY IN ACTION

In 2025, our community showed up in extraordinary ways, turning generosity into action to support children and their families. Supporters not only attended events like Kaleidoscope, but also hosted their own fundraisers. From lemonade stands to intimate cocktail parties, and countless volunteers days, our supporters created meaningful, personal connections that fueled our mission and made a lasting impact.



MOTHERS' MILK BANK RECEIVES ONE MILLION MAGICAL OUNCES

In 2025, Mothers' Milk Bank set an incredible record, receiving one million ounces of donated milk in a single year! This extraordinary new record was made possible by the generosity of more than 1,200 donors. We are incredibly grateful for the life-saving impact these donations will have, helping nourish and protect tiny babies in NICUs across the country when they need it most.



SUMMER TOY DRIVE SUPPORTS THE HOLIDAYS

In July, our community came together in a big way for the RMCHF Toy Drive, donating over \$2,000 worth of toys to support children and families in need. We are especially grateful to Fox31/ CW for featuring RMCHF and championing the drive, helping ensure these gifts reached children in the hospital. It also helped stock our Holiday Store, which served over 200 families and more than 500 children this year, spreading joy throughout the season.



OVER 180 STINK BUG DOGS TO DATE

In 2025, the Stink Bug Project celebrated a major milestone, with over 180 kid-and-dog duos since the program's inception. This year, we matched and trained 10 new Stink Bug dogs, which provide long-term support for children. This program continues to create countless moments of joy, comfort, and companionship.

Some of our Stink Bug families joined us in June for the Stink Bug Project Family Reunion, sharing laughter, stories, and the special bonds that make this program so meaningful.



SUPPORTING FAMILIES THROUGH LOSS

In 2025, Rocky Mountain Children's Health Foundation partnered with Sean and Shelley Endsley to launch Rowan's Fund in honor of their son Rowan Glenn Endsley. This fund supports families experiencing the unimaginable loss of a child ensuring they are met with compassion, resources, and financial assistance during their most difficult moments. In addition to family support, Rowan's Fund recognizes that the care teams working with these families also need support and provides special grief and loss training for nurses walking along side these families.



HEALTHY BABY SUMMIT

Our 2025 Healthy Baby Summit provided critical education to perinatal professionals and paraprofessionals. Focused on the theme *Stronger Together: Empowering Community and Resilience in Lactation Support*, this one-day conference was dedicated to advancing conversations around lactation and the fourth trimester. Speakers included Dr. Rosalba Ruiz Reyes, Kimberly Seals Allers, Dr. Andrea Nied, Dr. Matthew Olm, and Rebecca Heinrich, each offering important insights on the vital role of collaboration and resilience in fostering healthier outcomes for birthing parents and babies.



Family Stories

THE CARE THAT CARRIED OLIVER

When Oliver was born with esophageal atresia, he needed emergency surgery right away. After an extended NICU stay, and several hospital admissions, bills started to pile up and his parents, Teresa and Jimmy, were overwhelmed. Through Patient and Family Assistance, RMCHF was able to provide the family with the support they needed so they could focus on Oliver.

"I feel like there's a whole village behind us," Teresa said. "We are so lucky for the support we've had."



SCAN TO WATCH
THEIR STORY



A HEART FULL OF FAITH

Before Faith and her twin brother were born, their mom, Nicole, knew Faith would face challenges. Born with Down syndrome and a congenital heart condition, Faith required emergency surgery and ongoing care, leaving Nicole worried about rent and groceries.

In their hardest moment, RMCHF helped cover essential needs so Nicole could focus on her baby. Now two years old, Faith is full of life and joy. Nicole is deeply grateful for the support they received. *"For us as a family we are so thankful," she said. "When the money and gift cards are gone, what remains is what was given to us in our hearts—the peace of mind and the kindness of others."*



SCAN TO READ
THEIR STORY



At Rocky Mountain Children's Health Foundation, we're committed to transparency. Our audited financial statements will be published on our website as soon as they are available. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Sandoval at Cathy.Sandoval@rmchildren.org

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2025

Annual Financials

Year Ending December 31, 2025

Sources of Support

● Contributions	\$1,057,147
● In-Kind Donations	\$179,224
● Other Revenue	\$50,139
● Mothers' Milk Bank Program Revenues	\$3,981,804

Total Support

\$5,268,314



Utilization of Support

Program Expenses

● Patient & Family Assistance	\$1,437,345
● Mothers' Milk Bank	\$2,663,819
Total Program Expenses	\$4,101,164

● <i>General Administrative Expenses</i>	\$503,447
● <i>Fundraising Expenses</i>	\$612,866

Total Annual Expenditures

\$5,217,477

Revenue from our social enterprise, Mothers' Milk Bank, funds operating costs for our organization as a whole. Because of this, *donor contributions directly support the pediatric patients and families we serve.*

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OUR MISSION

*To ensure newborns, pediatric patients,
and their families have the financial,
nutritional, and emotional support
they need during the most challenging
moments in their lives.*



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