

St. Louis Employees Are Great Friends to Kids with Cancer

Amerisure’s St. Louis Core Service Center (CSC) has long been supporting Friends of Kids with Cancer (FOKWC) as part of its charitable endeavors. This local charity, which exists to “let kids be kids,” works closely with St. Louis hospitals, medical professionals and patients’ families to provide educational, emotional and recreational programs, that make every child more likely to succeed with their health goals.

Gary Haas, Marketing Underwriting Specialist, serves on the FOKWC board. He coordinates the events

between FOKWC and the CSC. A few of these events occurred this spring. In April, employees and their family members participated in FOKWC’s 16th annual “Walk with a Friend” Sunrise Celebration, which raised \$50,000 for the charity. In May, the CSC hosted a breakfast meeting and presented FOKWC with its annual Amerisure Charitable Foundation donation of \$2,500. During the breakfast, employees and the FOKWC team held a round-table discussion about the variety of programs that benefit the children. Also in May, employees made candy bouquets which are given to a child during his or her final cancer treatment (chemo or radiation) to provide emotional support and good cheer.

Next up is the 5th Annual “Night at the Mouse Races” in September. Amerisure is a title sponsor of this event benefiting Young Friends of Kids with Cancer. Amerisure employees will attend for mouse races, good food and great fun. Amerisure thanks the team in St. Louis for supporting families affected by cancer.

For more information about Friends of Kids with Cancer, click [here](#).



Clockwise from top:

1. *St. Louis employees pose with the Friends of Kids with Cancer (FOKWC) team during their breakfast meeting.*
2. *L to R: Gary Haas, Marketing Underwriting Specialist; Judy Ciapciak, Executive Director of FOKWC ; and John Linxwiler, CSC Manager.*
3. *Amerisure employees and family at the “Walk with a Friend” event.*