Every year in the United States, more than 17,000 innocent children are forced into the fight of a lifetime with a cancer diagnosis. While decades of research have pushed survival rates above 80%, more children are lost to cancer than any other disease. And two-thirds of those who do survive suffer long-term effects from the treatments used to save their lives. Notwithstanding, less than 4% of federal funding for cancer research is aimed at solving childhood cancers. That's why it's critical that CURE pours funds into research - so science, and treatments, continue to advance.

CURE’s most urgent research priority is to advance precision medicine, a new approach for treating cancer.

We’re all unique. But today’s childhood cancer treatments don’t always take our differences into account. Instead, we treat children by disease type - a one size fits all approach. But a chemotherapy that works for some children might not be effective for others due to genetic differences. That’s where precision medicine comes into play. Through genetic testing, doctors can identify personalized treatment regimens for children with cancer, giving them the best chance at survival - and the chance to avoid toxic treatments that aren’t likely to work.

90% of every dollar we raise goes straight to our mission. For the thirteenth consecutive year, CURE has earned a four-star rating, the highest possible, from Charity Navigator, America’s premier evaluator for sound fiscal management, accountability, and transparency. Fewer than 1% of all charities achieve this rating.
The heartbeat of CURE Childhood Cancer is the children and families we serve. Our goal is to walk beside patients and their families from diagnosis through treatment and beyond, providing critical assistance at every step of their journeys. These are just a few ways in which we provide tangible, ongoing support.

**CURE’s Early Outreach Program** aims to connect with families at the time of diagnosis, letting them know they are not alone. We lay the foundation early on so families know where to turn with needs as they arise.

**CURE’s Family Emergency Fund** provides emergency financial assistance to families struggling as a result of their child’s treatment. This fund most often covers critical needs, such as housing, transportation, and out-of-pocket medical costs.

**CURE’s Open Arms Meal Program** serves meals to hospitalized patients and their families three to four days each and every week, 52 weeks a year.

**CURE’s Counseling Program** offers professional counseling to patients and family members at little to no cost.

**CURE’s Bereavement Care Program** provides support to families dealing with the extraordinary grief of losing a child.

**CURE’s Survivorship Care Program** supports the needs of survivors, primarily by supporting fertility preservation and providing important survivorship education.

Text **CUREChildhoodCancer** to **44321** to give today.