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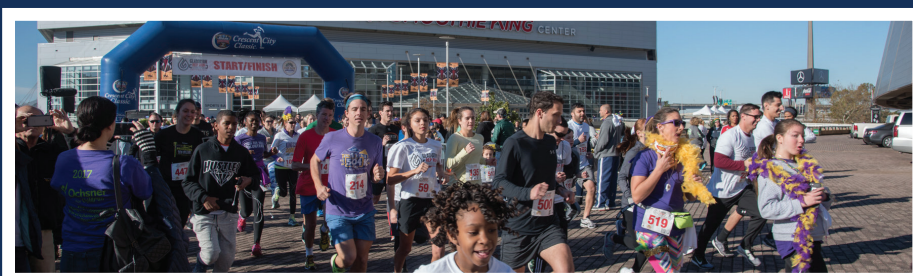
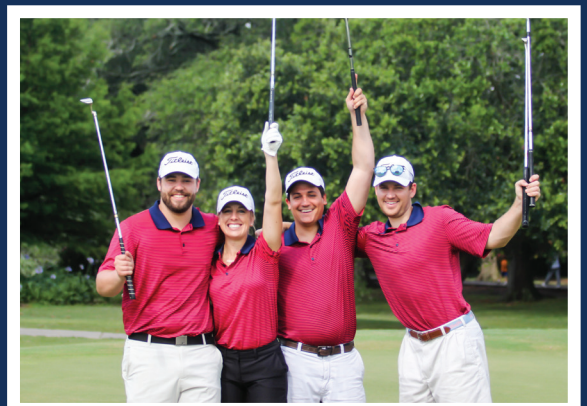


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"I give to meet the unmet needs of cancer treatment. Things like wigs, bras and prosthetics that make life a little more normal."

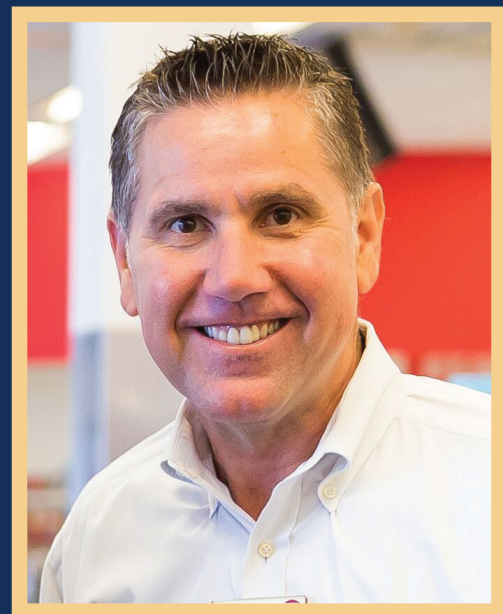
Corinne Villavaso

Ochsner Cancer Institute Patient
Founder of Hannah's Klozet Foundation

"Community is so important to the people of Louisiana, and it's rewarding for us to give back, not only in dollars, but also in hands-on experiences. It is our privilege to team up with organizations such as Ochsner Health to make a difference in the lives of local families, and to proudly serve the community that has supported Winn-Dixie for nearly 64 years."

Joey Medina

Regional Vice President
Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc.





About Ochsner Health

Ochsner Health is an integrated healthcare system with a mission to Serve, Heal, Lead, Educate and Innovate. Celebrating 80 years in 2022, it leads nationally in cancer care, cardiology, neurosciences, liver and heart transplants and pediatrics, among other areas. Ochsner is consistently named both the top hospital and top children's hospital in Louisiana by U.S. News & World Report. The not-for-profit organization is inspiring healthier lives and stronger communities. Its focus is on preventing diseases and providing patient-centered care that is accessible, affordable, convenient and effective. Ochsner Health pioneers new treatments, deploys emerging technologies and performs groundbreaking research, including over 700 clinical studies. It has more than 34,000 employees and over 4,500 employed and affiliated physicians in over 90 medical specialties and subspecialties. It operates 40 hospitals and more than 300 health and urgent care centers across Louisiana, Mississippi and the Gulf South; and its cutting-edge Connected Health digital medicine program is caring for patients beyond its walls. **In 2021, Ochsner Health treated more than 1 million people from every state and 75 countries.** As Louisiana's top healthcare educator, Ochsner Health and its partners educate thousands of healthcare professionals annually. **To learn more, visit www.ochsner.org.**

Becoming a Community Champion

We ask that our Community Champions strive to embody our mission, vision, and core values by facilitating one of the following opportunities to give back to an area of support at Ochsner Health.



Point of Sale

Give back to Ochsner through your business! Organizations engage with the community to raise money during a given time period.

Crowdfunding

Create your own digital online giving page to encourage friends and family to support Ochsner by celebrating a loved one, a birthday or a life milestone!



Special Event

Create your own event where the proceeds directly benefit patients and programs at Ochsner! These social events are great for promoting and raising awareness for Ochsner.

How Can Ochsner Help

What are some examples of support I can expect from Ochsner?*

- Listing on the Ochsner Health website
- Social media promotions
- Philanthropy email blast (10K+ donors)
- Ochsner This Week newsletter (34K+ employees)
- Digital and printed media advertisements
- Ochsner Community Champion window display clings
- Check presentation celebrations
- Private behind-the-scenes hospital or facility tour

*Ochsner Marketing and Philanthropy departments reserve the right to decide which channels to promote Community Champion events.

What is Ochsner unable to provide?

- Ochsner will not be responsible for producing any marketing materials related to the event.
- Ochsner will not be responsible for any expenses incurred for the preparation or execution of an event.
- Community Champions are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits, including gaming and liquor permits when needed. Ochsner will not be involved in the procurement of these permits.
- Ochsner will not accept any donations from an event that does not comply with the local, state and federal laws.
- Ochsner is not liable for any injuries or bodily harm that may occur at a Community Champion event.
- Ochsner will not provide mailing lists for vendors, donors, patients or employees.
- Community Champions may not use the Ochsner Clinic Foundation tax ID number for the purposes of the event or the act of fundraising. This number may only be used for tax reporting purposes.

Charitable Giving and Financial Guidelines

- If the Community Champion is not a registered 501(c)3 organization, all materials related to the event must state that donations to the event are not tax deductible.
- Donations made directly to a Community Champion event can be used to cover the event's expenses but are not tax deductible.
- A donation solicited on Ochsner's behalf, whether the donation is an item or cash, is fully tax deductible only when it is made directly and entirely to Ochsner, as we are the only agents who can verify that such a gift was made, and the nature of the gift, to the IRS.
- In order for a tax receipt to be issued, Ochsner must be provided with the donor's contribution, name, address, and phone number. Contributions cannot include any exchange of goods and services.
- All checks made payable to Ochsner Clinic Foundation must be forwarded to Ochsner for processing and deposit.
- For check presentations, the check may be made payable to the area of Ochsner the event was benefitting (i.e., Ochsner Hospital for Children).
- All event donations must be received by Ochsner thirty (30) days after the event and made payable to Ochsner Clinic Foundation.
- Ochsner will not incur or provide funds for a Community Champion event or promotions. Bank accounts or holding accounts may not be established under Ochsner Health.
- Community Champion shall not retain any portion of event proceeds as personal profit or compensation. No fees, commissions or salaries may be retained from event proceeds by your organization or its members.
- Applications should be submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to the requested start date.
- In order to prevent scheduling conflicts, the Ochsner Philanthropy Office must approve the Community Champion event date.
- Community Champion is responsible for meeting all city, state or federal standards and fulfill all legal authorization(s), permit(s), license(s), precaution(s) and/or general liability insurance required to organize the event. Copies of all licenses and permits must be sent to the Ochsner Philanthropy Office.
- Community Champion events must solely benefit Ochsner Health, no individuals or organizations.

Communication Guidelines

- Community Champions may not use copyrighted information, logos or photos on the Ochsner website without the express written consent of the Ochsner Philanthropy and Marketing Departments.
- All promotional materials should clearly state the event is sponsored by you or your organization with net proceeds going to Ochsner. If a specific percentage of event proceeds are coming to Ochsner, this must be stated in your materials.
- Promotional materials should be submitted to the Ochsner Philanthropy and Marketing Departments for review and approval. You will receive a response from Philanthropy within five (5) business days of submission.
- Ochsner cannot be used as in event title but may be identified as the beneficiary of the event/promotion. For example, an event may not be referred to as “Ochsner Hospital for Children Bake Sale.” Instead, it should be promoted as “XYZ Bake Sale to Benefit Ochsner Hospital for Children.”
- Ochsner will make their best effort to promote Community Champions via its digital assets.

Inspired to Give Back

After Ben’s diagnosis of with acute lymphoblastic leukemia and treatment at Ochsner Hospital for Children, the Wilkie Family created the Zero Face Foundation, Inc. in hopes of giving back to Ochsner and providing support to other pediatric oncology patients and their families.

Ben Wilkie
Pediatric Oncology Patient
Zero Face Foundation, Inc.



Frequently Asked Questions

May someone from Ochsner attend and/or speak at my event or committee meetings?

We will make our best effort to have Ochsner representatives present. However, we cannot guarantee the attendance of physicians, staff or volunteers at your event.

Are there any guidelines around sponsorship and in-kind donations?

To avoid duplicate solicitations, we kindly ask that you notify us before asking a business or company for a donation, cash or in-kind.

May I have a raffle at my event?

To legally conduct any gambling activity or “game of chance” in Louisiana, including raffles, bazaars, and “Las Vegas Night” events, your organization must maintain 501(c)3 status and acquire a permit from the clerk of the city in which the fundraiser will take place. For more information, visit the Louisiana Office of Charitable Gaming website.

May I have an auction?

Yes! You can absolutely host a silent or live auction. As a reminder, when advertising any items in a silent or live auction, you must display the fair market value. Items valued as “priceless” will not be eligible for a tax receipt. Ochsner will only issue IRS-compliant tax receipts if the donor pays beyond the fair market value and if payment is made directly to Ochsner Clinic Foundation.

Does Ochsner provide event insurance?

The Community Champion is responsible for obtaining event insurance.

Are there restrictions on fundraisers?

Your fundraiser must align with the mission, vision, and core values of Ochsner for us to endorse it. We will let you know if we are concerned with any aspect of your fundraiser during our initial meeting.





May I designate my funds raised?

Yes! If you have a specific hospital in mind, please discuss this during the initial call with your staff partner. Please note, certain funds might not be available if this is your first-year fundraising.

Do I need to create a 501(c)3 organization to host a fundraiser for Ochsner?

No need. You just need to apply online.

Will Ochsner issue tax receipts to my donors?

Ochsner will only issue a tax receipt to the Community Champion. The Community Champion should collect all donations and submit as one payment to the Ochsner Clinic Foundation.

Why would my application be denied?

In general, Ochsner may not approve your event that:

- Does not align with the mission, vision and core values of Ochsner
- Promotes a political party/candidate or appears to endorse political issue(s)
- Potentially conflicts with an existing special event, marketing or public relations campaign
- Requires Ochsner to sell tickets, coupons, involves telemarketing or door-to-door solicitation
- Involves gambling or games of chance



Ochsner Health's Community Champions program is designed to engage businesses and individuals in our community who are inspired to help advance Ochsner's mission to Serve, Heal, Lead, Educate and Innovate through fundraising initiatives benefitting an Ochsner program or fund.

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