



The generous support of ROAR for Kids over the years has gone to help raise much-needed funds for research and programs for the kids at Kennedy Krieger Institute. See below for just a few of the ways this event has improved the lives of children and families.

Center for Autism and Related Disorders-Funds raised were used to purchase a laptop, iPad, intervention materials and supported postdoc attendance at IMFAR (an annual scientific meeting, convened each spring, to exchange and disseminate new scientific progress among ASD scientists and their trainees from around the world).

Child and Family Support Program-Family Emergency Fund was created to assist families within Baltimore City or county that are in immediate need for medical equipment, basic supplies, or specialized therapeutic equipment. For example, a family may need a baby gate to ensure safety in the home, a family may be out of funds for food or diapers at the end of the month, a family may be transitioning from a shelter to a home and need assistance in purchasing a crib or bed for their child.

Department of Neuropsychology & Deafness-Related Evaluations & More (DREAM) Clinic-Enhanced technology equipment that supports accessibility for patients and families was purchased using funds.

Fairmount School Program-Funds raised were used to revitalize the Chameleon Club. The club is an indoor activity center that our students use to wind down, socialize and earn reinforcing kid-appropriate games. The school was able to purchase four gaming chairs, new Wii controllers, new GameCube controllers, a flat screen television, basketball net, and board games.

LEAP School Program- Money raised went towards gym equipment that all students have the opportunity to use not only in their scheduled gym time, but also during rec and leisure and sensory breaks. The equipment purchased allows all students to develop and grow in several areas. These areas include, but not limited to: being able to participate in activities that address sensory needs (ex: bubble machine), participate in activities that work on academic objectives (ex: shapes, colors, counting), increase range of motion through physical activities (ex: catch, throwing a ball, shooting baskets, kicking a soccer ball), participate in activities that help to increase motor control, working on ball skills, and balance (ex: balance obstacle course, therapy ball activities), and working on more endurance during cardiovascular activities.

Maryland Department of Developmental Disabilities-Past funds have been used to deliver a training to more than 50 administrative law judges on involuntary psychiatric admissions of adults with disabilities, covered \$800 in transportation costs for 12 self-advocates to attend People on the Go's bi-annual self-advocacy conference, and sent two Maryland Department of Developmental Disabilities trainees to Developmental Disabilities Day in Annapolis, MD.

PACT-Money raised went to help purchase equipment and supplies for the medical childcare center.

Psychiatric Mental Health-Money raised was used to fund transportation for families to be able to attend appointments.

Specialized Transition Program, Fairmount Rehab-Funds raised helped to cover the cost of personal trainers and gym memberships for a group of young adult patients to address their fitness goals.

Therapeutic Foster Care-Money raised went towards purchasing equipment and therapeutic services for children in the program.