

YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY AWARD

Kylie Rose Jacobs



At the age of six, doctors found a cantaloupe-sized tumor around *Kylie Rose Jacobs's* liver and kidneys. Kylie received a surgical biopsy, where she learned that her tumor was cancerous. Ever since, she has been in and out of Akron Children's Hospital to receive her treatments.

Kylie started with an idea to give hope to other kids fighting cancer and raise money for the hospital that was saving her life. She designed pink, green and blue bracelets that had the phrase "Kylie Rose Kickin' Cancer" and her motto "SSSB," which stands for sweet, strong, smart and brave. These were sold for \$5 each, and all proceeds were donated to Akron Children's Hospital Pediatric Oncology.

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Next came Kylie Rose's Run, a 5K and Family Fun Run held at Copley High School football stadium to raise money for Akron Children's Hospital's Childhood Blood and Cancer Fund. The first year raised \$15,000. Now in its third year, it has raised more than \$52,000 for children with cancer.

For Christmas in 2015, Kylie asked for a REAL sewing machine so that she can sew Kylie's Bags of Love. These bags are stuffed with puzzles, coloring books, and other fun things that she personally gives to children on the oncology floor. She is proud of these bags because she knows she is helping another child be happy during a tough time in their life.

Kylie's family has influenced her to help others. Her grandfather wrote a book to help other children and their families who are going through cancer treatments. Kylie believes that helping others is a blessing from God and that it would be nice if more people were inspired to give by watching others.

Kylie is now a third grader at Arrowhead Primary School in Copley. She has two younger siblings, Emmie and Blake. Kylie wants to become a marine biologist when she grows up because she loves dolphins.

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