



helping kids fight cancer

cure**ME**dullo

powered by Carson Leslie Foundation

# 2022 IMPACT REPORT



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## COLLORABATIVE MISSION

- pediatric brain cancer research
- mental health support
- advocacy . awareness . action

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\\_cureMEdullo.org](https://carsonlesliefoundation.org_cureMEdullo.org)

# with gratitude

Thanks to you, our generous supporters,  
**together** we have successfully built cure**ME**dullo,  
**the only medulloblastoma** focused nonprofit!

The Carson Leslie Foundation launched cure**ME**dullo **research initiative**  
to catalyze the medulloblastoma community.

We believe collaboration is the only way to discover low toxic treatments  
leading to cures and prevention from the disease.

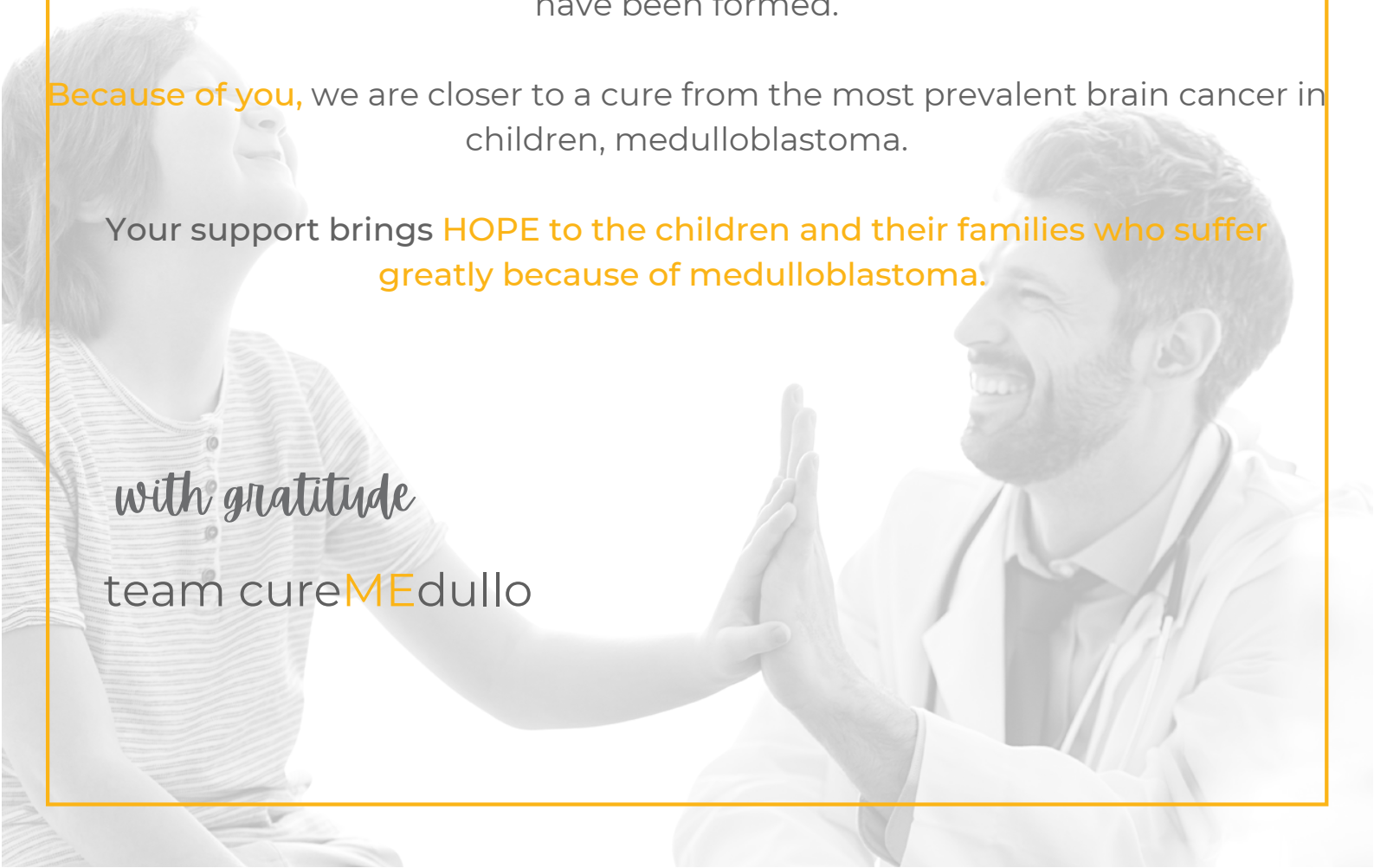
We actively seek like-minded foundations, researchers,  
treating clinicians, institutions, industry, and most importantly,  
patients and their families who have been invaded by medulloblastoma.

**Because of you,** data has been developed, studies advanced, new partnerships  
have been formed.

**Because of you,** we are closer to a cure from the most prevalent brain cancer in  
children, medulloblastoma.

Your support brings **HOPE to the children and their families who suffer  
greatly because of medulloblastoma.**

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team cure**ME**dullo



# our teammates 2022

*"Teamwork is the ability to work together  
toward a common vision.*

*The ability to direct individual accomplishments  
toward organizational objectives.*

*It is the fuel that allows common people  
to attain uncommon results." - Andrew Carnegie*

cure**ME**dullo's growing team



you're invited to join our team  
<https://www.curemedullo.org/our-partners/>

# funded research 2022



## \$100K Children's Brain Tumor Network Medulloblastoma LIQUID BIOPSY Project

Collection/processing ~50 liquid biopsy samples, miRNA gene expression analysis and biomarker testing.



## \$100K ASCO/Conquer Cancer Team Science Grant in Medulloblastoma

This grant is core to our mission: facilitate collaborations and engage a diverse team of investigators to develop low toxic treatment leading to early detection/prevention of medulloblastoma; grant will be rewarded 2/2023



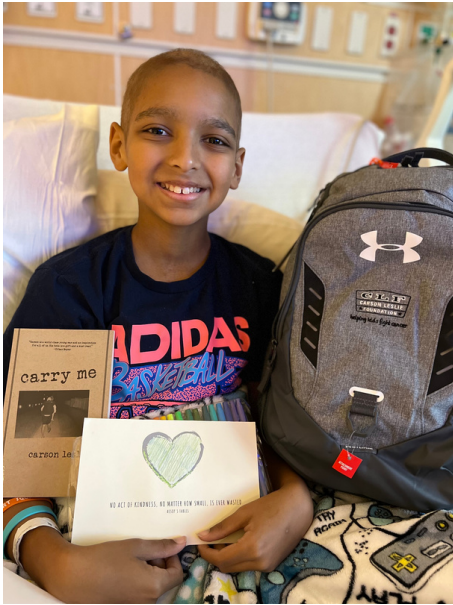
## Carson Leslie Foundation & The Cancer Prevention & Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT)

CPRIT, is a \$6billion cancer initiative!  
CLF & CPRIT launched Researcher's RoundUp in 2020, rounding up the brightest childhood brain cancer investigators in Texas to help frame CPRIT's Request for Awards. Over 60 investigators from all over Texas attended Researchers RoundUp 2022!

more about our impact:

<https://www.curemedullo.org/our-impact/>

# mental health support 2022



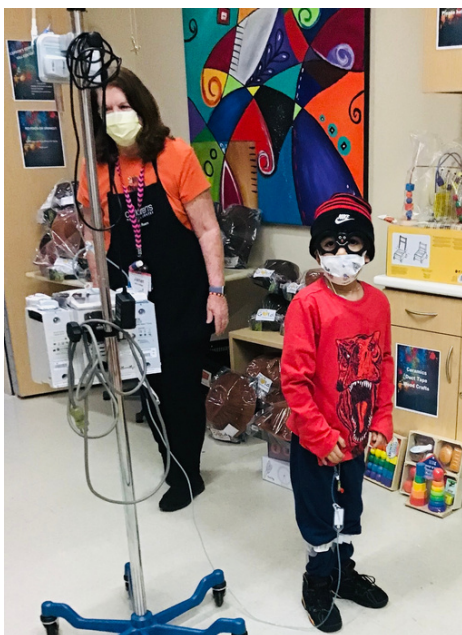
## Jordan Spieth Family Foundation sponsored UA Backpack Program

Together, with the JSFF, we delivered 175 backpacks filled with hospital essentials to newly diagnosed teens all across our Nation.



## Hearts of Gold Hootenannies

Every single month, we act like the Tooth Fairy and Santa Clause - delivering unexpected surprises to every child who is hospitalized while battling cancer at Children's Dallas.



## Carson's Corner

We built Carson's Corner, the teen room at Children's Health Dallas which serves over 800 teens annually who are hospitalized while battling cancer. On an ongoing basis, we keep Carson's Corner stocked with art supplies, the latest gaming systems and hottest games!



# legislative successes 2022

Alongside our friends at Kids V.Cancer, we are pleased to share ongoing and collective legislative successes!

## RACE for Children Act

This successful piece of legislation requires companies developing targeted cancer drugs for adults, when it makes sense, to develop plans to use those drugs in children. \$30M appropriated to this initiative in FY2022.

## Creating Hope Act

Creating Hope was our first successful piece of legislation which created new incentives for pharmaceutical companies to invest in the development of drugs for children with cancer and is an ongoing success for the development of new low toxic childhood cancer therapies

## Golden Toast, a Carson Leslie Foundation Exclusive

We founded and host the GOLDEN TOAST, a highly anticipated annual gathering of childhood cancer agencies, young survivors and leaders of the Congressional Childhood Cancer Caucus to celebrate our our collective bipartisan legislative success benefitting the overall state of childhood cancer.



# advocacy 2022

It was an honor to cosponsor Jack's Angel's  
MoonShot4Kids Congressional Briefing  
with our friends of Cure Starts Now #BetterTogether



Deep in our hearts, we *knew* MoonShot4Kids was going to be very special event, so we invited a very special friend of our Foundation, **Ella Bresee** to address members of Congress and The Office of Science and Technology (OSTP).

Following **Ella's** humble-kind-powerful words, Congressman Michael McCaul, founder of the Congressional Childhood Cancer Caucus and a dear friend of our Foundation invited Ella to share her cancer journey on the Nightly News with Lester Holt!



# cureME stories



## Sweet-Kind-Beautiful Ella

A few days before Ella was slated to address Members of Congress and the childhood cancer community at our annual GOLDEN TOAST, Ella took her last breath then stepped into Paradise. The Clemson community and people from all over the world are forever changed by Ella's sunshine, valiant fight and untimely death.



## Grayson, a medullo Thriver!

Grayson's mom and dad introduced Dinner Under the Stars (DUtS) to our #cureMEdullo efforts. This magical evening will take place May 21, 2023 at the prestigious and exclusive Park House, stay tuned!



## Cooper, a medullo Thriver!

Cooper's dad is a Director on our Board and his mom, is the backbone of our cureMEdullo website.



## Mighty Millie, a medullo Thriver!

Millie stole our hearts the moment we met! Millie's Aunt is a super-ultra runner and ran the Grand Canyon rim-to-rim-to-rim-to-rim to raise funds for our cureMEdullo initiative, whew!





## Share your story

Patients and families are invited to submit their cureME story to bring awareness to those affected by medulloblastoma the most prevalent brain tumor in children.

## create YOUR cureME fund page

Patients and families are invited start a cureME fund with a customized page and link to share.

## start a fundraiser

Patients and families are invited to register a fundraising event, we work closely with you and will create a customized page for your community!

## become a teammate

Patients, families, clinicians, researchers, industry, treating institutions, nonprofits are invited to become a cureME teammate!

visit <https://www.curemedullo.org/about-me-our-children/#newssubmitmestories>

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