

Become an active part of the team by helping with event setup, registration, children's activities, photography or clean up! If you would like to volunteer, please email the committee at walk@facesofchildren.org

"We are looking forward to seeing all of our FFC family for another terrific event!"
– Walk committee



Sunday, September 22, 2024



HYBRID WALK ALONG

Please join us for the annual FFC Walk and Family Picnic on Lake Quannapowitt in Wakefield, Massachusetts on Sunday, September 22. The outdoor event will once again take place on the Wakefield Commons under the big tent, rain or shine. We always have a great time!

Check-in begins at 11:30 am and the Walk kicks off at 12:15 pm. We will hand out light snacks to fuel your three-mile stroll around the beautiful lake. Fun kid-friendly activities will take place throughout the day at the tent. Following the walk, we will serve a pizza lunch. And don't miss the delicious treats from the shaved ice truck! The family picnic is a great opportunity to meet new friends or reconnect with old ones while enjoying lunch and the many activities.

Proceeds from this fundraiser help support the Foundation for Faces of Children's ongoing efforts to provide information and programming for children and families affected by craniofacial differences. Some of our programs include: the annual scholarship awards (totaling \$25,000 this year), parent support, production and distribution of helpful videos, educational workshops and seminars, and more.

The Walk continues to be an excellent opportunity for families to network and make new friends. We encourage everyone to register and bring their entire family for a day of fun and raising awareness. ☀️

Get Involved! Just follow these five steps to be part of FFC's 2024 Paces for Faces Walk

STEP 1: FORM A TEAM. Invite family, friends and co-workers to walk with you. The more, the merrier! Individual walkers are welcome, too!

STEP 2: SIGN UP. To register, visit p2p.onecause.com/pacesforfaces where you'll find a link to set up a fundraising page.

STEP 3: GET YOUR T-SHIRT BY SEPTEMBER 1ST. [Click here to purchase](#) your official Paces for Faces t-shirt so you and your team can walk in style!

STEP 4: FUNDRAISE. Create a fundraising page for your team or as an individual. Once you create your team's page, it's easy to ask family and friends to support your efforts. You can email or message the link, share it on your Facebook page, or tweet it to all of your followers!

STEP 5: CHECK IN AND WALK. On Sunday, September 22, meet on the common by the First Parish Congregational Church at 1 Church St, Wakefield, Mass. We aren't allowed to use the church parking lot but free parking is available on the street. The Walk kicks off at 12:15pm. Or you may choose to walk, run or ride your own 5k at any point during the weekend. Make sure to tag @facesofchildren in your posts, and #PacesForFaces2024!

STEP 6: JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND ACTIVITIES. After the kids enjoy some fun activities, gather with friends and family for lunch under the big tent. FFC merchandise will once again be available for purchase. For up-to-date information about the Walk, please visit facesofchildren.org/pacesforfaces ☀️

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FFC Scholarship Awards Program: Celebrating 25 Years of Giving

We are grateful to be commemorating this milestone: 25 years of assisting promising students with their advanced education. To date, \$304,000 has been awarded!

This year, FFC is proud to award scholarships to five very accomplished, talented and inspiring students. They were selected from a wide field of candidates, each academically successful and talented in sports while also generously serving their communities. The review committee was amazed by the excellence and perseverance they embody. It's with great pleasure that we present these five awards.

The Dr. John B. Mulliken Scholarship

Honoring Dr. Mulliken for his decades of expert care for our children this scholarship is awarded to those who demonstrate excellence in academic scholarship and leadership.



Owen McBean from Cape Neddick, Maine, graduated from York High School with high honors. In school he was involved in many areas including the Cross Country Team, the Jazz Band, the Golf Team, and the Robotics Club. Owen is also a member of the French Honors Society and received both the Basic Adventure Academic Award and the Health 2 Academic Award from his high school. In the fall, Owen will be attending Florida Institute of Technology where he will be pursuing a degree in Aerospace Engineering. Congratulations Owen!

The Dorothy MacDonald Scholarship

Awarded to those pursuing a career in a health profession, this scholarship honors our own Dotty MacDonald who spent the bulk of her nursing career assisting Dr Mulliken in the care of our kids at BCH's Cleft and Craniofacial Center.



Lillian Petullo from Sterling, Massachusetts, was homeschooled and graduated with high honors from Kolbe Academy. She has received many honors and awards including the Abigail Adams Award and the Femina Integritatis Award, both from the American Heritage Girls (AHG) organization. A member of her local AHG troop, Lillian also serves as an advisor for the American Heritage Girls National Sounding Board. In the fall, Lillian will be attending Assumption University where she will major in Nursing. Congratulations Lillian!

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very grateful!!!

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I would like
to express my
gratitude for this
scholarship award,
which will help greatly
with tuition and
expenses.

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so much for this
scholarship! It will
help start my journey
through college. I am
very grateful!

The Jane C. McDaid Memorial Scholarship

Awarded for strong community service, this scholarship honors the memory of the community-minded FFC president, Jane McDaid.



Leo Briggs from Westminster, Massachusetts, is currently enrolled at the John Chambers College of Business and Economics at West Virginia University. Leo excels in his classes and has been able to maintain a 4.0 grade point average throughout his first year. At WVU, Leo is also involved in the John Chambers Business Honors Program as a John Chambers Business School Ambassador and also a member of the Delta Sigma Pi Business Fraternity. Outside of school, Leo volunteers for the Gardner Community Action Committee Food Pantry and the Mountaineer United Soccer Club Snack Shack. Leo will receive a dual-degree in Finance and Organizational Leadership when he graduates with the Class of 2027. Congratulations Leo!

The Barbara Seltzer Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a young adult with cleft lip/palate who is active in the arts. This scholarship is named for the past president of Prescription Parents, a support group for parents of children with cleft lip/palate, and who was very active in the cleft community.



Bodhi Aguiar from Plymouth, Massachusetts, graduated with high honors from Rising Tide Charter Public School. In high school, he was involved in many areas including the varsity volleyball team, the Rising Tide News Club, and the National Honor Society. Bodhi was a 2023 recipient of the Wells College 21st Century Leadership Award. With a passion for animation, he has taken continuing education courses such as Character Creation for Illustrators, Advanced Character Design, and Portfolio Development to strengthen his talents and fuel his interest. In the fall, Bodhi will be attending University of Massachusetts Amherst where he will be majoring in animation. Congratulations Bodhi!



Samara Rodas from Hudson, Massachusetts, graduated from Hudson High School where she was a member of the Varsity Lacrosse program, the Guiding-Hawks Club, and the Drama Society, serving as part of the tech crew. She frequently appeared on the Hudson Honor Roll. In the fall Samara will be attending the University of Connecticut where she will be enrolled in the Biomedical Engineering program. Congratulations Samara!