



CHARITY WATCHLIST

Make-A-Wish Foundation



NOTEWORTHY

- Make-A-Wish [helps a terminally ill teenager](#) by granting his wish to call Governor Greg Abbott and urge him to work on [abolishing abortion](#) in Texas.
- Make-A-Wish [sparks controversy in 2021](#) when its CEO, Richard Davis, makes an announcement that the foundation would be restricting wishes to children and families who received a COVID-19 vaccine:

*Make-a-Wish will resume granting air travel wishes within the United States and its territories as well as granting wishes involving large gatherings **for vaccinated wish families** as soon as September 15.*

Within 24 hours, it releases a [vaccine-policy](#) (archived) on its website stating that it will continue to grant wishes to all children despite their vaccination status and that it was a misunderstanding.

Make-A-Wish has not, does not, and will not deny the opportunity to have a wish granted to children who are not vaccinated. Since the beginning of the pandemic, Make-A-Wish has safely granted over 6,500 wishes to children and families – regardless of vaccination status. Make-A-Wish will continue to grant wishes to children who are not vaccinated.

- During Women's History Month, Make-A-Wish [highlights](#) Maureen Fitzgerald, its Chief Development Officer. Fitzgerald celebrates large non-profits whose leaders are women, including Planned Parenthood:

*One of the most incredible aspects of our industry as a whole is the truly impressive and important number of women leaders. Right now, numerous "name brand," vital, game-changing non-profit organizations are women-led: Make-A-Wish America, American Cancer Society, Feeding America, **Planned Parenthood** – the list goes on! It is extremely motivating to have a career in an industry that is so massively powered by women leaders.*

Make-A-Wish America

wish.org

Tax ID: 86-0481941

1702 E Highland Ave., Suite 400
Phoenix, AZ
85016

phone: 972.248.9200

Mission

Create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

Focus

child welfare, patient social services