

Dear Friends & Family,

This holiday season I am asking for your support in my participation in Seattle University Dance Marathon (SUDM). Dance Marathon is a nationwide student-led philanthropic movement raising money for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. SUDM is a year long fundraising effort specifically for Seattle Children's Hospital's Uncompensated Care Fund and Strong Against Cancer Research Initiative. I have committed to fundraise for Seattle Children's Hospital and dance for 16 hours on February 17th, in solidarity with the patients and families who continually fight for their health and their lives every single day. Last year, Seattle University Dance Marathon raised \$148,210 for Seattle Children's Hospital. This year, to commemorate and honor our supportive community, we are calling on the 206 (the city of Seattle) and the other area codes near and dear to our hearts to raise \$206,000 for the kids!

With the support of our family, friends, and community like you, we can help save children's lives. One reason I'm dancing this year is to support our Miracle Kids. Max was only one year old when he first started throwing a ball in the air and catching it. He grew into a talented athlete, loving all sports but especially baseball, soccer, and basketball. In February of 2004, Max was sidelined during a game due to a headache. Little did they know that Max's life was about to be changed forever. An MRI showed that Max had a massive and aggressively malignant brain tumor. He was only eight years old. A few days later he had surgery at Seattle Children's to remove the tumor, followed by a year of intense treatments. The care that Max received from Seattle Children's Hospital saved his life, and it is through research funds, like the ones Seattle U Dance Marathon contributes, that these protocols are made available to kids everywhere. We are proud to announce Max is now 21, and attends Whitman College. This holiday season, I am asking you to help me save more children like Max and to continue fighting for a world without childhood illness.

For The Kids,



To donate, go to [events.dancemarathon.com](https://events.dancemarathon.com) & search my name, or send in a check to Seattle University Dance Marathon 901 12th Ave STCN 350 Seattle, WA 98122

