



**BRAVE BOX REQUEST**

*Brave Boxes are designed to empower, prepare children and families for their forever fight and help them grow stronger. Contents include tangible, critical, useful tools, and helpful practical needs providing education, guidance, direction and resources. Encouragement and support brings smiles to kids faces and lets them know they are not alone.*

CONTENTS VARY DEPENDING ON HOW LONG THE CHILD HAS HAD TYPE 1, AGE, INTERESTS AND PRODUCT AVAILABILITY

*Someone I know needs the amazing support of a Brave Box!*

**ABOUT YOU:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your relationship to recipient: \_\_\_\_\_ Why are you nominating this person? \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINEE (CHILD/YOUNG PERSON WITH TYPE 1) SHIP TO ADDRESS:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Family E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Favorite Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Interests (HELPS US CUSTOMIZE A BRAVE BOX ESPECIAL

FOR THEM: \_\_\_\_\_

Type 1 Diabetes Diagnosis Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

OPTIONAL, BUT HELPFUL: Enclosed is a pic of our Champion, Superhero, Warrior  WE PUT PICS ON HERO/WARRIOR WALL AT WORKSHOP

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>NOMINATE YOUR TYPE 1 CHAMPION, SUPERHERO, WARRIOR</b> With this option, you are nominating someone to receive a FREE Brave Box. They will be added to our Kids With Courage waitlist. When someone sponsors a Brave Box, we will ship them one. Every person nominated receives a Brave Box (or critical components of) no matter what, but timing and contents is dependent on sponsorship availability.	<b>\$ No Charge</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>PURCHASE A BRAVE BOX AND WE'LL SHIP TO THEM</b> With this option, a Brave Box can be sent right away and you have the opportunity to make your gift extra special by including your own personal message. Price includes shipping cost. Write personal message here: _____ _____ <small>(USE REVERSE SIDE IF NEEDED)</small>	<b>\$125</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>PURCHASE/SPONSOR A BRAVE BOX TO DONATE TO A CHILD/FAMILY</b>	<b>\$125</b>
<b>TOTAL \$</b>	

**Payment:**

- Enclosed is check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for purchase as indicated above. Payable to: Kids With Courage
- I will make an online donation thru your website for the amount shown on this request form, and I will email you this information.

**QUESTIONS?** Phone: 816.547.8376 Email: [courage@kidswithcourage.org](mailto:courage@kidswithcourage.org) Tax ID #: 20-5182362 [www.KIDSWITHCOURAGE.org](http://www.KIDSWITHCOURAGE.org)

**Please complete this form and return it by mail or e-mail to:**

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# Our Story



*Keeping Dreams Alive!*

The Kids With Courage Foundation has made a commitment to kids of all ages growing up with Type 1 diabetes. (T1D)

*Why?* Because T1D is tough. Kids will need strength beyond what most of us can comprehend to battle a disease that is trying to kill them each and every day for the rest of their lives. They *need* and *deserve* our understanding, assistance, and encouragement.



EVERY  
**SUPERHERO**  
NEEDS A  
**SIDEKICK**

## Mission

*Providing opportunities that empower, educate and create positive outcomes in the lives of kids of all ages and their families whose life long journey includes battling Type 1 diabetes.*

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## ♥ WHO WE ARE

Kids With Courage is a 501 c 3 not for profit organization, recognized in 2006. On the surface we're a little charity in the mid west, helping kids of all ages and their families, whose lives have been turned upside down with a Type 1 diabetes diagnosis. Yet, when you look below the surface, you'll discover a true "little engine that could" story, and see us as the innovators who started a full fledged movement that ALL of the big organizations have adopted. "*Courage*" is the magic that turns dreams into reality.

## ♥ BRAVE BOX PROGRAM

Helping kids of all ages, and their families feel less scared, alone, lost and overwhelmed, bring comfort, tools, direction, hope and courage to help them adjust to life after this devastating diagnosis through it's 'Brave Box' program. Bundles of encouragement are designed to empower and overflowing with critical education, important tools, practical needs, priceless comfort and support items, and precious resources.



### Goals:

*We believe:* Education, quality healthcare, medical self care, taking ownership, taking charge, motivation and attitude are *critical* for living life to it's fullest. Daily courage is an *essential* tool that's as necessary as insulin, and medical devices to manage and battle Type 1, every day, *forever*.

- ♥ Address the real challenges of growing up with T1D, a complex disease
- ♥ Let kids and families know they're not alone
- ♥ Matter, directly in lives
- ♥ Put smiles on faces at an incredibly difficult time
- ♥ Immediately impact lives at diagnosis, during the really hard days
- ♥ Prepare families for their forever fight, equipping them with tangible tools, guidance
- ♥ *Help kids and families grow stronger:*
  - Give Hope, Inspiration, Motivation
  - Instill Courage
  - Empower

### *Training Champions, Superheroes, and Warriors!*

Support matters, and is a key component to good care. Mindset matters. Brave Boxes provide patients with positive affirmations that encourage optimistic attitudes, therefore leading to improved thoughts, actions and outcomes helping kids and families grow stronger in body, mind, and spirit.

*Brave Boxes started at one leading pediatric hospital in Kansas City on September, 17, 2007 and has expanded to many hospitals across the states of Missouri, Kansas, and beyond.*

*Thousands of Brave Boxes have been given to patients.*



## *Our Story*

The Kids With Courage story started in 2007.

Our Founder felt that it was past time to disrupt the narrative and change outdated models of Type 1 organizations, and, above all else, improve the outcomes for kids of all ages, and their families where Type 1 diabetes is battled.

Being or having a child diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes is overwhelming, scary, and difficult to say the least. Type 1 is a relentless disease, requiring 24 hour a day monitoring, 7 day a week intensive treatment, and there is no cure.

The life changing, Type 1 crisis found it's way into our founders/family lives in 2006, when her then 7 year old son was diagnosed. She walked out of the hospital in shock, after a crash course in Type 1 diabetes management it takes doctors 9 years to learn, enough medical supplies to fill a pantry, nor any confidence in using, feeling lost, alone, sad, overwhelmed, frightened and empty.

To equip families to face the fear of a Type 1 diagnosis, impact the way they approach that challenge, and view their world, she/Kids With Courage created its Brave Box Program. Brave Boxes are overflowing with tangible tools, guidance, and direction. They are designed to empower, help families grow stronger, and prepares them for their forever fight.

On September 17, 2007 the first Brave Box (then called, Crates, Full of Courage) was delivered to a newly diagnosed patient at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City. Since then, thousands have been given away.

Inspired by our extraordinary kids who must battle every day. Driven by a mission to mend broken hearts and a need to change the story for others.

We may be small, but we are mighty. If you look below the surface, you'll discover a true 'little engine that could' story and see us as the innovators who started the a full fledged movement that all the big organizations have adopted. "Courage" is the magic that turns dreams into reality.

Visit our website to see all of our programs (Brave Box, Scholarships, Education Classes, Pen Pal) They all directly and positively impact the lives of those battling Type 1.

*From all of us at..*



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FOR MORE INFO:

Visit our website: [www.kidswithcourage.org](http://www.kidswithcourage.org) and/or our Facebook page.

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