



Cyndie Parks Memorial Home for Girls

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Local “Home Team” to Walk for Diabetes Cure

The Cyndie Parks Memorial Home for Girls participates in JDRF’s annual Walk to Cure Diabetes in September

Dardanelle, Ark. (July 28, 2010) – The Cyndie Parks Memorial Home for Girls is not only working to provide an uplifting home for teenage girls in need with Type I Diabetes, it is determined to fight for a cure as well.

On Sept. 18, the Memorial Home, known as the “Home Team,” will participate in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation’s Walk to Cure Diabetes at Murray Park and the Big Dam Bridge in Little Rock, one of the 200 sites located worldwide.

“Today, approximately 40 children were diagnosed with Type I Diabetes,” said Erin Aylor, founder and administrator of the Home. “During one year, the average diabetic will inject approximately 1,460 shots or 121 pump sets. If we can spare just one child one year of that, it’s worth it.”

Organizations, businesses, families and individuals are forming teams all over the U.S. in order to raise money for JDRF, the leading funder of Type I Diabetes research worldwide. This year, JDRF predicts that families will raise about \$21 million nationwide.

The Home, a 501(c)3 organization located in Dardanelle, Ark., is working to open the nation’s first home for teenage girls with Type I Diabetes who are in foster care or dire situations, a population of youth that has yet to be served by U.S. health care and social-help systems.

In order to help fight for a cure and support its organization, the Home is currently selling t-shirts for \$20 to those who want to support or walk with the “Home Team” in Little Rock this year. At least half of the cost will go to JDRF and the rest will support the Home. All requests for t-shirts or information can be directed to administrator@diabeteshomeforgirls.com or by calling Aylor directly at 479-264-3288.

“I’m supporting efforts to cure diabetes. Until there’s a cure, I’ll also work to provide a home for girls in need with Type I Diabetes,” Aylor said. “One t-shirt can make a huge difference.”