



# Get Involved!

## Check out our upcoming HAPPENINGS!



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:



**Pot of Gold Luncheon** | Friday, May 3, 2019 | Hilton Anatole in Dallas | Benefiting Rainbow Days  
Silent Auction Doors Open: 10:30 a.m. | Luncheon: 12 – 1:30 p.m. | Keynote Speaker: **Marlee Matlin**

About Marlee Matlin: Matlin received worldwide acclaim for her film debut in “Children of a Lesser God,” for which she received the **Academy Award for Best Actress**. Though she lost her hearing when she was only 18 months old, she never let her challenges dictate her future or deter her dreams. A book signing for her **New York Times Best-Selling autobiography I’ll Scream Later** will immediately follow the luncheon at 1:30 p.m. \*Arrangements for the appearance of Marlee Matlin made through Greater Talent Network, LLC., New York, NY



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Luncheon Tickets: individual tickets are \$150 | Table Sponsors: \$1,500 and above  
To purchase your tickets or table sponsorship, please visit [www.RainbowDays.org](http://www.RainbowDays.org) and click on ‘Events’ or contact Sunni Roaten at [SunniR@RainbowDays.org](mailto:SunniR@RainbowDays.org).

**Half Shells Tuesday Benefit: March 26** – Join us at Half Shells in Snider Plaza between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. for delicious seafood and good company while learning more about our 22nd annual Pot of Gold Luncheon! Thanks to Half Shells’ generosity, **15 PERCENT of ALL food and drink sales will benefit Rainbow Days!** Please RSVP to Sunni Roaten at [SunniR@RainbowDays.org](mailto:SunniR@RainbowDays.org) if you plan to attend this special event. If you are unavailable between 5:30 and 7:30, please feel free to visit Half Shells anytime from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. March 26; your purchase will still support Rainbow Days and the children we serve!



**Yoga to Benefit Rainbow Days: April 7** – Join us from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at The Mat Yoga Studio – Dallas, where all levels of yoga students will learn the benefits of practicing yoga. Afterward, you will also learn more about the upcoming Pot of Gold Luncheon. **ALL proceeds will benefit Rainbow Days!** To buy tickets, visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/yoga-to-benefit-rainbow-days-tickets-55786554085>.

### VOLUNTEER:



**Volunteer Opportunities:** Rainbow Days is fortunate to count on the support of more than 1,300 volunteers who give more than 5,500 hours of service each year! Whether they are serving lunch at camp or organizing a drive for school supplies at their workplace, we value our volunteers’ support! Prior to volunteering at a Rainbow Days event that involves direct service with children, a completed volunteer application, including a criminal background check, is required. The Volunteer Application can be found at: [www.RainbowDays.org](http://www.RainbowDays.org) > ‘Volunteer’ > ‘Volunteer Application.’

*Upcoming volunteer opportunities include:*



**Easter Eggstravaganza: April 13** – Join us for this annual springtime celebration for homeless children and families! We need **setup, event and cleanup volunteers** AND **donations of plastic eggs, filled Easter baskets, stuffed animals and cupcakes.** Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054da4aa2ba2f58-20191>!



**Summer Camps:** During five weeks of summer camp, volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up at each camp, help serve lunch, facilitate recreation time and fulfill other fun tasks.

- o **Kids’ University:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weeks of June – **academic-themed camp** at UT Dallas in Richardson
- o **Camp Bravo:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weeks of July – **performing and visual arts camp** at Lovers Lane United Methodist Church in Dallas
- o **Outdoor Adventure Camp:** 1<sup>st</sup> week of August – **outdoor recreation camp** at Hoblitzelle in Midlothian



**Back-to-School Celebration: mid-August** – This is a special carnival-like event for 750 homeless children and families where **children receive new uniforms, backpacks and school supplies** at the Dallas Market Center. Volunteers are needed to help before the event with supply inventory and stuffing backpacks and at the event to run games, distribute items and assist with cleanup.

For more information on volunteering, contact [SunniR@RainbowDays.org](mailto:SunniR@RainbowDays.org).



# Spring & Summer Wish List



Each year, Rainbow Days serves more than 10,000 children and youth living in adversity in the Dallas community.

Through our support group program, educational presentations, and special mentored activities and events, children learn important life, coping and decision-making skills and set goals to create more positive futures.

Your in-kind gift of one or more of the items below makes a huge difference at Rainbow Days and in the lives of the children we serve!

## PROGRAM SUPPLIES AND DONATIONS NEEDED:

- **Snacks for After-School Program and Summer Camps** – We need donations of individually wrapped snacks, including granola bars, fruit snacks, popcorn, chips, pretzels, Goldfish, cheese crackers, Rice Krispies Treats and other similar items to feed hungry children this spring and summer.
- **Small Toys and Prizes** – We need donations of new small toys and prizes to reward positive behavior at the end of support group sessions and for our Kids’ University Reward Store. Examples of these items include: bouncy balls, Play-Doh, stickers, small dolls and action figures, toy cars, etc. Shopping suggestions include Oriental Trading Co. or the dollar and party sections of Target, Dollar Tree or Party City. We also need \$5.00 gift cards to Sonic, McDonald’s, Starbucks or iTunes to reward teens.
- **Pizza Gift Cards** – We host pizza parties at the end of our support group sessions in schools. We need donations of pizza gift cards to Pizza Hut, Domino’s and Cicis to help kids celebrate the end of a successful learning group!
- **School Supplies & Uniforms** – Help provide new school supplies and new school uniforms for 750 school-aged children attending our HUGE Back-to-School Celebration in August. We need white shirts of all sizes (children and adult) and navy or khaki shorts and pants of all sizes. *School supplies needed include:*



- Construction Paper – 8.5 x 11
- Colored Pencils – 24 count
- Crayons – 24 count
- Glue Bottles – 4 ounces
- Glue Sticks – small or large
- Markers – 8 or 10 count
- Manila Paper – 8.5 x 11
- Notebook Paper – wide-ruled
- Play-Doh
- Pencils – 12 or 24 count
- Pens – blue, black or red
- Ruler – 12 inch
- Spirals – wide-ruled
- Scissors – children’s blunt and sharp

## FINANCIAL DONATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Make a financial donation and help change the trajectory of a child’s life. Every dollar you give makes a difference!

- **\$25:** sponsor a child to attend the Back-to-School Celebration
- **\$60:** sponsor an educational classroom prevention lesson benefiting more than 25 children
- **\$150:** sponsor 10 sessions of support group for one child
- **\$300:** sponsor a child to attend a Rainbow Days summer camp
- **\$1,000:** sponsor a child for a full year of Rainbow Days support groups, camps, events and other programs



For questions or more information on donating, please contact **Tiffany Beaudine**, Director of Development, at [TiffanyB@RainbowDays.org](mailto:TiffanyB@RainbowDays.org) or 214-217-3814.

