



OUR MISSION:

To provide a responsive and direct resource to children in need so that they have the opportunity to achieve their greatest potential.

Cherish the Children Foundation □ Needs Your Help NOW.

This is a story of the family in East Hartford that Cherish the Children has worked with for 3 years and is now realizing the dream of bringing their daughter home. The family consists of Mom, Dad, Anthony (13), Tiana (10) and Shaneece (4). When Shaneece was 15 months old their car was hit by another vehicle and Shaneece took the brunt of the accident. Since then, she has been in the Hospital for Special Care in New Britain. Shaneece suffered permanent injuries and is now a ventilator dependent quadriplegic. Shaneece will not be able to go home to her family until their home is set up to meet her special needs. The problem is that the home is a split level home and is not conducive to Shaneece's mobility and needs. Finances have been seriously compromised, just one of many complications that the family must endure as a result of the accident. With the professional help of Attorney Jim Wade, of Robinson & Cole, who has successfully navigated and advocated for Shaneece she will be eligible to be returned to her home. The rest is up to US! CTCF is NOW building an addition onto their existing home on the first level to accommodate Shaneece's needs. We are actively recruiting donations of goods and services to make this local □Xtreme-Home Makeover□ a reality. If you can help call Gina Gority 509-5346.



CTCF is a **100% VOLUNTEER** based organization made up of a dedicated board of directors, an army of enthusiastic volunteers, and generous donors, all of whom have identified CTCF as their charity of choice. CTCF serves a unique role in Connecticut as a direct resource for children who have a financial or medical equipment need, which often stem from a terminal or long-term illness and is not being met by traditional funding such as insurance.

To date CTCF has donated \$1 million dollars as a result of the generosity of so many.

CTCF also prides itself in its [youth mentor program](#). Our local teens volunteer to solicit donations and work on community service projects in support of the families we serve. Truly the philanthropists of tomorrow, these young adults are an inspiration to us all.



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