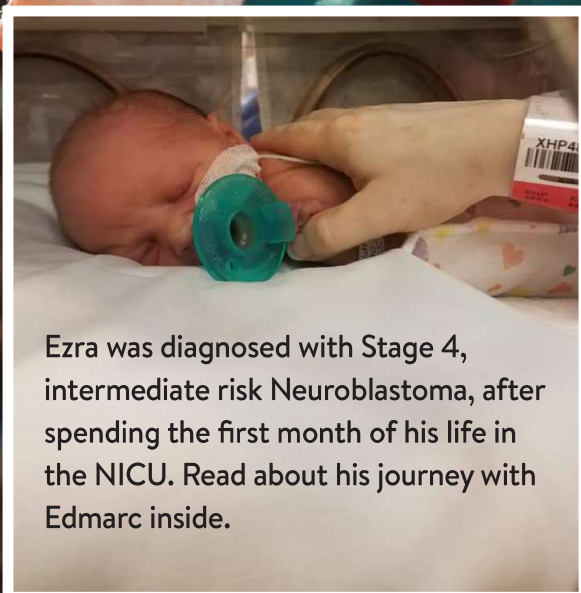


## A CARING HAND

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Ezra was diagnosed with Stage 4, intermediate risk Neuroblastoma, after spending the first month of his life in the NICU. Read about his journey with Edmarc inside.

## a note from EDMARC



It would be an understatement to say we live in challenging times. The past 2 ½ years have changed us collectively. However, they also allowed us to see what we are capable of, both as an organization and as a community.

The Hampton Roads community has always been so generous and this year you all showed up in big ways for Edmarc. Thanks to our

incredible volunteers, staff, and donors, we were able to make 2022 feel more normal and create memorable events for our families.

We also announced in July that we are expanding to Williamsburg, Gloucester, Mathews and surrounding counties by early 2023. It has been our vision that every child and family in need has access to pediatric hospice services and palliative care. We had to place our \$2 million campaign on hold during the pandemic, but for the past year, we have been busy with our “The Next Chapter” capital campaign and have raised over 93 percent of the \$2 million goal. In addition to the money we raised, we received a \$2 million grant from the state that will assist with the expansion. We have started hiring staff and have an office located in the Langley Federal Credit Union building in New Town. Now that we are expanding further into the Peninsula and Middle Peninsula that vision is becoming a reality.

We extend our deepest appreciation for the outpouring and continued support we received over the past few years and look toward 2023 with excitement. Most of all, thank you for providing hope for the journey to those who need it most.

Well wishes to you,

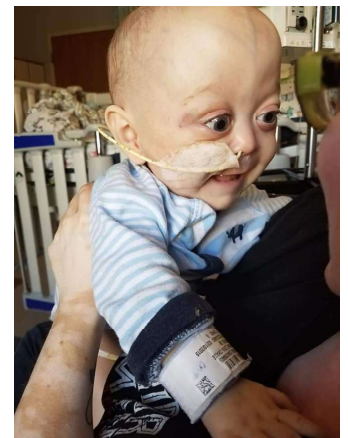
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**Debbie Stitzer-Brame**

Executive Director, Edmarc

## EDMARC WAS A CARING HAND WHEN WE MOST NEEDED ONE

Our journey as an Edmarc family began in 2019 thanks to our funny, strong, energetic now 3-year-old son, Ezra. He was born prematurely and spent his first month in the NICU. We struggled to figure out why he wasn't gaining weight until a wonderful nurse found an undetected cleft in his soft palate. The surgery to repair the cleft was scheduled for December but had to be put on hold because Ezra was diagnosed with stage 4, intermediate-risk Neuroblastoma in November. Ezra began treatment immediately at CHKD and we started traveling from Gloucester to Norfolk multiple times a week. That was when Ezra's oncologist, Dr. Pegram, recommended Edmarc to help keep Ezra at home as much as possible between rounds of chemotherapy.



Edmarc was amazing for our family! Ezra's nurse, Jennifer, came to Gloucester from Suffolk weekly to change his central line dressing. We also had Jennifer and Rob give Ezra his Neulasta shots after each round of chemotherapy because neither my husband nor I could give him a shot in his own home.

While routine care was needed and much appreciated, the best thing about Edmarc was the feeling of safety from knowing they were a phone call away. One time when I let Ezra play with Jell-O in an effort to let him do a normal 9-month-old activity, I had to call Jennifer to come out to change Ezra's dressing when it seeped underneath despite the 3 bibs he had on. Another time she came out because while snuggling together his dressing melted from the body heat and his central line was hanging out. Both calls were met with a much-appreciated sense of humor and a total willingness to come right out to help! There was also the time I had let him play in sidewalk paint after his port was in place.



I had to text Jennifer on her way for a routine check to warn her that despite having a bath, he was still blue from paint not from having trouble breathing! Again, we were met with understanding and a fantastic sense of humor.

Edmarc was also there for arguably one of the scariest moments of Ezra's journey. On his first birthday, he woke up in respiratory distress. Nurse Laurie was able to get to our home to assess him sooner than his pediatrician would have been able to see him. I know she must have dropped just about everything to be here so quickly! Ezra didn't have a strong immune system and had picked up two different head colds. He spent 2-days in the PICU on oxygen and was able to come home shortly before the whole world closed due to COVID. Even after the pandemic was in full swing, Jennifer and Rob came out whenever they were needed. That was a huge relief for us considering we had a medically complex and immune-compromised child during a worldwide health crisis. Knowing that we would not have to take him out unless it was absolutely necessary was very reassuring!

Edmarc also made sure Ezra was able to see Santa for his first and second Christmases! Ezra was only 9-months old when Santa came to see him in his own living room. Ezra was instantly in love with Santa and that love continued when Edmarc created a way for our kiddos to see Santa even with a pandemic! Abbey, our social worker has also taken amazing care of our family. She checked in regularly, making sure that we had holiday meals and extra food when we could not go grocery shopping for multiple reasons. She also helped make sure that Ezra had presents from Santa for both Christmases he was in treatment!

Ezra completed treatment in October 2020 and has been cancer free for 2 years. When he was discharged from Edmarc, Abbey and Jennifer came to visit one more time. We all enjoyed watching him run in the yard, swing, and climb as a healthy kiddo. It was wonderful! Thanks to Edmarc we were taken care of medically and personally in so many ways during Ezra's treatment and they will always hold a special place in our hearts!





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Thanks to the generosity of our donors and a commitment from Edmarc volunteers we are proud to share that we stuffed backpacks for approximately 100 kids this year through our Back-to-School drive. Edmarc strives to help lighten the load for our families in whatever way we can. When we have donors step up and provide school supplies for our families, it means that caregivers don’t have to navigate school supply shopping with a sick child. A small mountain of school supplies grew steadily by the end of summer. A big thank you to all those who donated school supplies, including Dominion Energy and Vitesco Technologies! We couldn’t have made the Back-to-School drive possible this year without our wonderful volunteers who sorted and organized the donations, those who stuffed the backpacks, and those who delivered them to the families. We’re in the business of improving lives – and this is one way we can do that. We hope to continue this drive for many years to come.



**Dominion Energy and Vitesco Technologies were the 2 largest donor organizations; we supplied backpacks for approx 100 kids, and we had approximately 15 volunteers who helped us put everything together and deliver the backpacks.**





## CAMP MAGIC 2022

Edmarc was excited to host Camp MAGIC (My Active Grieving Instills Courage), our annual family bereavement camp, for the first time since 2019. Camp MAGIC provides a weekend for families to come together to commemorate their loved ones and share their memories and experiences with one another. This year 8 families joined us at Triple R Ranch in Chesapeake, Virginia.

Edmarc families were able to participate in various therapeutic activities such as horseback riding, memory crafts, and support group sessions for the entire family.

We are extremely thankful for our Camp MAGIC sponsor, Violet Greco Foundation and all the

volunteers and donors that make this weekend a reality. A final thank you to Triple R Ranch for once again allowing us to host camp on their property and make use of the many wonderful outdoor activities they offer. Without this help and support we would not be able to provide and capture the amazing experiences that Camp MAGIC provides.

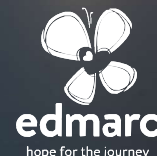
Our hope is that Camp MAGIC will continue to be a place where families can laugh, cry, play, honor the memory of the person who died, while getting a break from the grief that often weighs them down. At camp, they learn they are not alone.







with love,  
we remember



### **NOAH M. (2/15/00-5/26/22)**

Noah was an incredible young man who fought a long, courageous battle with his illness, never letting it damper his spirit. Noah had a great sense of humor and a smile that could brighten any day. He loved spending time with his family, watching his beloved Chicago Cubs, a good joke, music, and trips to Disney. Noah had a zest for life that was matched by few and will be held dear in the hearts of numerous family and friends, especially his parents, Cynthia & Keith, sister & brother-in-law, Tristan & Chris, niece, Kinlee, and nephew, Jace.

### **JIMMY J. (12/25/06-6/15/22)**

Jimmy was truly one of a kind. He was smart, thoughtful, and witty. He fought a very difficult battle with grace, determination, and strength. He loved electronics and even built his own gaming computer! He was brilliant. Everyone who met him now has a cherished "Jimmy story," and will forever feel lucky to have had to honor to know him. He will be tenderly missed by his parents; Yunkai and Hua Zhen, as well as a host of other loving family and friends.

### **RUACH "RU" F. (6/17/22-6/17/22)**

Little Ru was a very sweet baby girl who brightened and touched the lives of her family and all those around her. Though her time here was far too short, she was loved immensely by her family. Left to cherish her sweet memory are her parents, Mary & Freddie, Big Brother, Ellis, Dog, Kiki, and numerous family and friends.

### **EVAN T. (9/25/15-6/23/22)**

Evan was an amazing young man who was adored by all those who had the privilege to know him. He was rarely seen without a smile on his face, no matter what the day brought. Evan fought a courageous battle with cancer, but he never let it hold him back. He loved spending time with his family & friends and brightened the lives of all those in his presence. Left to cherish his memory are his parents, Julia & Jim, sister, Brooke, brothers, James & Emerson, and numerous family and friends.

### **LUCAS T. (1/11/19-6/24/22)**

Lucas, the little Jedi, was a little spot of Tatooine sunshine, who was happy and loving, and the embodiment of courage. It was obvious that he had The Force within him from birth, and fought his fight with a smile on his face. He was so beloved by his hospital family (who he couldn't seem to be away from for long), and everyone who met him was undoubtedly and immediately enamored with his sweet little face. He was the toughest, sweetest, and littlest Jedi. He will be remembered forever by his parents; Mary and Eugene, as well as many other family and friends who will carry his memory in their hearts.

### **BRENDAN B. (9/6/22-9/6/22)**

Brendan was a very special baby boy who touched the lives of so many. Though his time here was far too short, he is adored by all who had the privilege to meet him. Little Brendan will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his parents, Sara & Brad, Big Sisters, Caroline & Rosaline, Big Brother, Bradley, Jr., as well as numerous other family and friends.



**JAFFA Y. (12/25/06-7/23/22)**

There are few words that can describe how amazing Jaffa was. Jaffa was a strong and courageous young lady who never complained. She lived her life so full of love and happiness and embraced every day. Jaffa loved spending time with her family, attending church, and collecting American Girl dolls. Jaffa's Christian faith was very important to her; and she never wavered in her beliefs, even in the hardest of times. Known as an old soul, she taught many of us some very valuable lessons. Jaffa is lovingly remembered by her parents, Tim & Candice, Brothers, Ty, Bo, & Asher, Sister, Rapha, and numerous other family members and friends.

**INDIGO I. (5/4/22-9/18/22)**

Indigo was an incredible baby girl who possessed so much strength during her fight. Beautiful and courageous, she touched the lives of so many. Though Indigo was unable to say what she felt with words, she said mounds with her face and most of all her heart. She will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by her parents, Katie & Matt, big sister, Zoey, and countless other family and friends.

**BRADY K. (10/17/08-9/26/22)**

A young man with an infectious giggle and smile: THAT was Brady. He never ceased to bring joy to all who crossed his path through his glittery personality, love of straws, or infatuation with a good car wash. He was kind, loving, and fiercely independent. We will miss him. He will be forever adored by his parents; Darby, Brian, and Jeffrey, as well as many family and friends who will remember him always.

**JUDAH O. (9/29/22-10/1/22)**

Sweet little Judah was a beloved little boy even before he was born. He never knew anything but love and comfort, and he soaked up every bit of the snuggles he got from his parents, siblings, and loved ones. He was strong and fought as long as he was able. He will always be a cherished member of his family, and will be forever loved by his parents, Debra and Demetrius; big sister, Khamira; and big brother, Elliot.

**AUGUST A. (1/29/22-10/24/22)**

August was a sweet baby boy who brightened the lives of his family and all who had the privilege to know him. August, courageous and strong, fought his illness fiercely. He was truly a blessing and was adored by all those around him. August will be lovingly remembered by his parents, Laquesha & Vaughn, his big brother, Vaughn, Jr., his big sisters, Faith & Nijah, and numerous other family and friends.

**CAMPBELL W. (1/27/07-10/28/22)**

Campbell was a bright and shining light. It was evident in the briefest of interactions with her that she was witty, charming, and lovely inside and out. She enjoyed constructing LEGO worlds, and creating beautiful artwork. She was so creative and clever. The pure adoration she had for her family and friends extended to her furry family members and namely, her Wish puppy Rory who always brought a smile to her face. Campbell was, and will continue to be cherished by her loving parents, Susie and Jeff; her big brother, Carter; and countless other loved ones who were lucky to know her.

**MARGOT V. (10/9/22-10/31/22)**

Margot was a strong, beautiful baby girl with a special place in the hearts of many. She loved to spend time with her Mom & Dad and wear the most stylish of bows in her gorgeous red hair. Little Margot touched the lives of so many in her short time here and was loved immensely. She will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by her parents, Meghan & Zach, fierce protector & dog, Gatsby, and numerous other family and friends.







# GRATEFUL FOR GOLF TURNOUT

Edmarc's 26th Annual Golf Classic raised over \$65,000! Cooler temperatures, as well as some torrential rain, graced our golfers as they putted their way through the greens. Afterward, a luau was held where participants enjoyed live music from Mike Proffitt and Dana Silvercloud, a delicious buffet and beverages, and bid on silent auction items. We're so grateful to all of our sponsors, golfers, volunteers, and the staff at Cedar Point Club who made this day such a success. Because of your efforts, kids can continue to receive care in their home, and families facing pediatric illness and loss can continue to receive the support they need. We'd also like to give a special thank you to the Edmarc families who came and shared their stories from the heart illustrating the impact Edmarc has on so many lives. A great reminder as to why this day is so important!







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# YORKTOWN ROTARY WEEKEND

The Yorktown Rotary annually hosts and sponsors the Yorktown Rotary Weekend, an incredible event that allows families the opportunity to attend a mini vacation in the Yorktown area with fun-filled activities planned throughout the weekend. Unfortunately, it had been canceled the last two years due to the pandemic but made a comeback in 2022! One special Edmarc family spent Father's Day Weekend, June 17-19, enjoying all that Yorktown has to offer. They kicked off the weekend with a meet-and-greet picnic on Friday evening. The family spent the weekend at a beautiful house provided by Yorktown Rotary, large enough for the whole family to stay together. On Saturday, activities included a family fishing trip and an evening designed to give the parents some one-on-one time. While the parents went out to a nice dinner at a local restaurant, the kids enjoyed a trip to Play A Round Family Fun Center where they played laser tag, mini golf, video games, and ate lots of pizza. On Sunday morning they had a lovely breakfast before heading home. The entire weekend is made possible by the generosity of Yorktown Rotary and is a treat for everyone who attends. A huge thank you to the Yorktown Rotary, for once again providing a very memorable weekend for our Edmarc families.







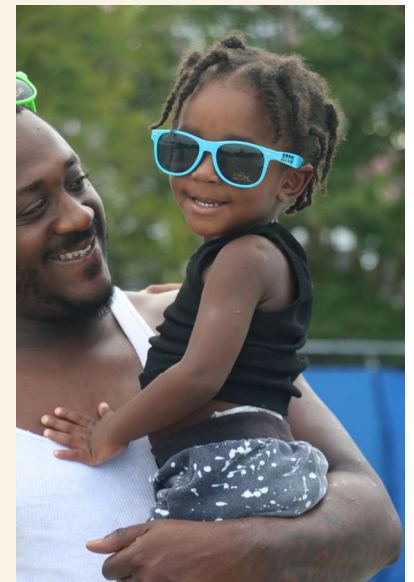
## MAKING SUMMER MEMORIES

This summer we were able to make some fun memories with our families not once but twice. Thanks to so many wonderful donors and volunteers we were able to hold two separate events that brought people together for fun, sun, and smiles.

The first summer picnic took place on June 5 at The Mariners' Museum who graciously donated space for us and was hosted by the Oyster Point Rotary Club. The club came out in a big way by providing everything we needed for a successful event including food, games, giveaways and volunteers. Families enjoyed activities in the outdoor courtyard and welcomed the chance to be inside the museum as well. The Rotary Club of Oyster Point has been supporting Edmarc for

19 years, and this year's summer picnic was just another example of how their members go above and beyond to provide great experiences for our families.

Then on August 21, we were able to enjoy more summer fun with a pool party. Thanks to the Taylor Bend YMCA who donated their pool and accessible splash pad, our families, no matter their limitations, were able to enjoy time in the water. This was the second year in a row they donated the space to us, and it has been a huge hit with the families who attend. Thanks to the Kiwanis Club of Norfolk for sponsoring all the food and activities that make it possible for so many memories to be made.



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Joining the Edmarc team is nurse, **Amanda Dean**. Amanda is a native Texan and recently relocated to Norfolk for this new opportunity with Edmarc (and to be closer to the beach!). She has worked in pediatric hematology/ oncology and home hospice

care and most recently helped to rebuild the inpatient Pediatric Palliative Care Team at Children's Health in Dallas. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from the

University of Texas Arlington and completed her Master of Science in Palliative Care from the University of Maryland Baltimore in August 2022.

Amanda considers herself a word nerd and enjoys both reading and creative writing. She is a certified yoga instructor and a certified breath coach and tries to incorporate both practices regularly. On the weekends, Amanda loves to be outside, whether at the beach or in a nature park. She also enjoys playing with her Shih-Tzu Hank and browsing antique stores for treasures.





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**Amy Arditi Kuzemka** has joined Edmarc as a Marketing Development Manager with 23 years of marketing communications experience across various industries. She will lead strategic communications supporting Edmarc's mission and set priorities for a comprehensive

public relations plan that establishes Edmarc as the leader in pediatric hospice and palliative care.

Amy has experience in advertising agency account management, government relations, the A/E/C industry, and, most recently, the financial technology space. She received her bachelor's degree in Communication Studies with a concentration in Public Relations and a minor in Sociology from Virginia Tech. Amy is a lifelong resident of Williamsburg, where she resides with her husband, son, two bonus daughters, 3 Labrador retrievers, and two cats. In her spare time, she practices yoga, boating, cheering on her son at one of his competitive swims meets, reading, and visiting local wineries and breweries.



Beverly Spivey joins Edmarc as our new Director of Clinical Services. Beverly has served in nursing for almost 40 years. She started her career in New York working in a Level 1 Trauma Center for ten years. Upon moving to Virginia, Beverly began working at Children's Hospital of the King's

Daughters (CHKD) for an additional ten years while also working in Bon Secours Maryview Medical Center Emergency Room. She was also part of a team of nurses that helped the Naval Medical Center Portsmouth (NMCP) open its Pediatric ER. While at NMCP, she led an Acute and Chronic clinic within the Family Practice department for 15 years. Beverly has also tried her hand in Correctional Medicine and Long-Term Care as a Supervisor and Educator. Beverly's nursing career has been long and varied, but she is happy to be on this new journey with Edmarc in a position that will bring her to the best and last stretch. Beverly has one handsome son, four daughters (doggies), and one beautiful granddaughter with whom she enjoys spending time.



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**Dr. Linda Pegram** has taken on the role of Chief Medical Director for Edmarc. The creation of the Chief Medical Director position was part of the vision for Edmarc's expansion plan. Dr. Pegram has been volunteering with Edmarc for over 15 years, serving on the Board of

Directors and as our Volunteer Medical Director. Having Dr. Pegram on staff will give her the opportunity to be more actively involved in patient care. She will dedicate one day a week to do home visits with the staff and to participate in Edmarc's interdisciplinary team meetings. In addition to being Edmarc's Chief Medical Director, Dr. Pegram is a Pediatric Hematologist-Oncologist with Children's Specialty Group and serves as the Medical Director of the Oncology Palliative Care Team at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters (CHKD). Her connections with all of the pediatric subspecialists at CHKD and at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth will be a conduit for Edmarc to help us provide the best care possible for our patients and their families.

When asked what she hopes for the future of Edmarc and of the MD role on Edmarc's staff, she responded by saying, "First of all, I am quite honored and privileged to be the first MD in this role! There have been many who have served faithfully as medical directors of Edmarc in a fully volunteer capacity since Edmarc's inception, but it is time to have physicians as integral part of Edmarc's team and infrastructure. Our vision is to expand this role over time to a full-time physician position within Edmarc, ideally shared between two or more physicians with different areas of clinical expertise so that we can adequately serve the needs of our diverse patient population. I am very excited about the possibilities this role brings and I look forward to being on site in the office in Portsmouth and soon in Williamsburg. Most of all, however, I look forward to the opportunity to spend more time with our staff caring for our patients and their families in their homes. This is where I was meant to be...this is where my heart is."



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# MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

## TERESA E. BILYEU - MSN, RN, NPD-BC



Tess Bilyeu is the Director of Patient Care Services & Magnet Program Director at Sentara Leigh Hospital. Tess holds an MSN from Western Governors University, is certified in Nursing Professional Development through ANCC and is specially trained in Lean Six Sigma (yellow & green belt) and CITI (Human/Biomedical Research). She currently oversees Sentara

Leigh Hospital's Community Outreach, Patient Experience, Patient Advocates, Guest Services, Volunteers, Nursing Education, IV Team, Wound Care, Diabetes Education, Chaplaincy, Nursing Professional Practice/ Development, Nursing Shared Governance, Evidence-Based Practice/ Research, nursing accolades (Magnet, PRISM, etc.) and nursing sensitive indicators (mortality rates, falls, pressure injuries, etc.). As an active nurse leader, Tess holds professional nursing organization memberships with AONL, ANPD, ANA/VNA, SMYS & VONEL (currently sitting on the VONEL's Board of Directors). Her professional strengths include transformational leadership, clinical data analysis, project management, attainment of strategic imperatives, community relations, nursing recognition, nursing article publications, and nursing research exemplifying her passion for advancing the nursing profession.

## ALPHONSO JEROME FOWLKES



Jerome Fowlkes is the Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer for Langley Federal Credit Union. He joined Langley in January of 2022 after serving as the Chief Administrative Officer for Virginia ABC Authority. Jerome has over 30 years of experience in finance, human resources, and administration in

both the private and public sector. Among his most notable experiences, Jerome served as a senior financial expert to the Federal Communications Commission during the mid-1990s where he helped facilitate the communications spectrum that is used for today's mobile phones. In the private sector, Jerome was an entrepreneur for over seven years owning and operating Great Clips hair salons in Northern Virginia while working full-time in several federal agencies. Jerome received his Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from Virginia Tech and his MBA from the College of William & Mary. He has served on the Virginia Tech Alumni Association Board of Directors and the Pamplin College of Business Alumni Advisory Board. He is the father to three sons and grandfather of three granddaughters. Edmarc means something to him "because it's about caring for people when they need someone to just help. That's the spirit that makes the world a better place."

## BETSY ROBERTS



Betsy Roberts brings over 30 years of active community involvement and leadership experience to the Edmarc board. Committed to her local community, Betsy has served on numerous non-profit boards, acted as an Executive Director, and is a seasoned fundraiser, event planner, and volunteer.

With a background in financial services, Betsy brings an ideal combination of business acumen and philanthropic involvement to our board.

Betsy is excited to work closely with our organization to help raise awareness and increase our ability to serve more families in our community. Passionate about living a healthy lifestyle, she loves working out, playing tennis, and walking her two golden retrievers in the North End of Virginia Beach, where she lives with her husband and two children.





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