

2025

Children with Diabetes®

2025 Annual Report

A YEAR OF COMMUNITY, CARE, & IMPACT



Our Mission Children with Diabetes focuses on **care today**, so we are ready for a **cure tomorrow**. As a global resource, we provide **support, education** and **inspiration** to empower families and all people living with diabetes to enjoy healthy, enriched lives.

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Friends for Life,



A LETTER FROM CWD'S FOUNDER, PRESIDENT, & CEO

Thirty Years of Caring

Thirty Years of CWD.

2025 was a year of "mosts."

The most CWD Events held.

The most FFL Orlando attendees.

The most Journey Awards shipped.

A team from CWD attended professional diabetes and medical conferences in eleven cities from six countries spanning three continents, sharing our vision of providing care and support for people with type 1 diabetes and their families to physicians, nurses, dietitians, psychologists, social workers, and others who help care for people with type 1 diabetes. While at these conferences, we hosted educational events about innovative therapies and presented CWD Journey Awards, some to the first person from a country to receive one. We left hundreds of awards with friends to share with others in Europe and Asia, hoping to inspire people with diabetes in their own journey.

Friends for Life Orlando 2025 hosted over 2,000 attendees, the most ever. The exhibit hall was the largest ever. We had the most corporate partners, whose generous support makes FFL possible. We had the largest CWD Fellows group – eighteen. For days, the hallways buzzed with excitement and emotion. Families connected, sharing something that we all understand – the unique bond of being part of the type 1 diabetes community.

For me, the CWD Journey Award program is incredibly meaningful. Each day I had the privilege of sending these awards to people or someone in their family, recognizing the work and dedication required to thrive with type 1 diabetes. For many, their CWD Journey Award is the first such recognition.

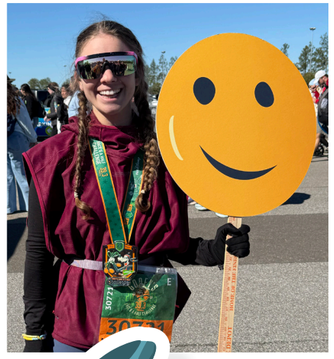
In 2025, CWD sent 4,225 CWD Journey Awards recognizing 70,190 years of living with type 1 diabetes. We sent 1,024 5 Year Awards; 1,757 10 Year Awards; 1,019 25 Year Awards; 394 50 Year Awards; and 31 75 Year Awards. The numbers matter. They represent real people living real lives, one day at a time.

The 5 Year CWD Journey Award, revealed in June of 2025, is incredibly important. At five years, people with type 1 diabetes and their families have adapted to their new life and realize that T1D isn't going away. This award recognizes them for this important accomplishment.

For 30 years, CWD's mission has been to provide education and support for people living with type 1 diabetes. That will remain our mission and our passion for as long as we are needed. Until there is a cure, there is CWD.

Friends for Life,
Jeff





TEAM CWD



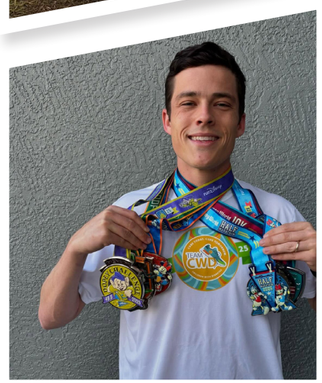
Team CWD at runDisney Marathon Weekends

Orlando and Anaheim | January 2025

The year began with running shoes, white shirts, and a shared purpose as Team CWD hit the pavement at the runDisney Marathon Weekends in both Orlando and Anaheim. Dozens of participants — families, friends, and first-time runners alike — came together to celebrate health, determination, and the power of community. Every mile was more than a personal goal; it was a step toward supporting scholarships that make Friends for Life possible for families impacted by type 1 diabetes.

Thanks to the generosity of runners and supporters, Team CWD raised essential funds to help more children, teens, and adults attend Friends for Life in 2025. Whether crossing the finish line at Walt Disney World or Disneyland, each runner carried the same message: no one faces type 1 diabetes alone. Their energy and commitment set the tone for the entire year — one defined by teamwork, resilience, and the joy of giving back.

Along the race routes, the sense of connection was unmistakable. CWD families and friends lined the course with handmade signs, cheers, and smiles that fueled every stride. For many, it wasn't just about running — it was about honoring loved ones, celebrating victories, and reminding one another why this community matters. Team CWD showed that when we move together, we move with purpose — and the finish line is only the beginning.





CWD Leadership Retreat

Orlando | January 2025

Shortly after the excitement of runDisney, CWD leaders and volunteers gathered in Orlando for our annual Leadership Retreat — a weekend dedicated to connection, collaboration, and planning for the year ahead. This retreat brought together staff, volunteer leaders, and key program coordinators who make every Friends for Life conference possible. The focus for 2025 was clear: elevating youth programming to create meaningful, engaging, and inclusive experiences for kids, tweens, and teens across all three conferences.

Over the course of the weekend, teams brainstormed new ideas for sessions, activities, and peer-led discussions designed to meet young people where they are in their diabetes journey. From mental health and resilience to community-building and leadership skills, every element of the youth tracks was shaped by the shared goal of helping kids and teens feel empowered and understood.

Beyond the meetings and breakout sessions, the retreat served as a powerful reminder of what makes Children with Diabetes unique — the passion and heart of its volunteers. Many of the leaders in attendance once wore green or orange wristbands themselves. Now, they're giving back to ensure the next generation of Friends for Life experiences the same support and sense of belonging that once changed their own lives.













> Thank you so much for creating a place that is **comfortable and valuable** for all the members of our family with both a T1D tween and an orange band teen. We're about 1 year in on diagnosis and having attended both Orlando 2024 and now Arlington 2025, we have learned so much and **found so much community** already. Thank you.
>
> *—FFL Arlington Attendee*

Friends for Life Arlington 2025

Arlington, Virginia | March 2025

Spring brought the CWD community together in Arlington, where families, adults, and health care professionals gathered for our first Friends for Life conference of the year. Friends for Life Arlington carried the energy and ideas born at the Leadership Retreat into action — with new youth programming, engaging educational sessions, and opportunities for families to reconnect and recharge.

Throughout the weekend, attendees explored everything from the latest in diabetes technology to sessions on mental health, resilience, and advocacy. Children and teens bonded through age-specific tracks, led by mentors who understand what it means to grow up with type 1 diabetes. Parents and caregivers found comfort in shared stories and practical strategies, while adults with T1D connected through open, honest conversations that reminded everyone they're never alone.

Friends for Life Arlington also reflected the heart of the CWD mission — building lifelong friendships and empowering families to thrive. From the first registration smile to the last goodbye, the spirit of connection was everywhere. As one family shared, "You come here as strangers, and you leave as family."

This conference was made possible through the generosity of our sponsors and the donors who support our scholarship program. Their contributions opened doors for families who might not otherwise be able to attend, ensuring that cost is never a barrier to community. Every scholarship represents a story of hope — a reminder that when we come together, we can make life with type 1 diabetes just a little bit brighter for everyone.

35%	42%	60%	14
First Timers	Green Bands	of PWD were 18+	Scholarships Awarded

ATTD 2025: Amsterdam

Amsterdam, The Netherlands | March 2025

In March, Children with Diabetes took its mission global at the 17th Annual Advanced Technologies and Treatments for Diabetes (ATTD) conference in Amsterdam. ATTD brings together innovators, clinicians, and advocates from around the world to explore the latest developments in diabetes care — and this year, CWD was proud to be part of the conversation. Our presence at ATTD reflects our growing role in bridging the experiences of families and people living with diabetes with the scientific and clinical communities that serve them.



Throughout the week, CWD hosted a series of special gatherings that connected healthcare professionals, researchers, and industry partners with the real-world perspectives of those living with type 1 diabetes. These hosted events provided space for authentic dialogue, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas centered around education, support, and the lived experience of diabetes. Every conversation reinforced the shared goal of improving care and quality of life for people around the world.

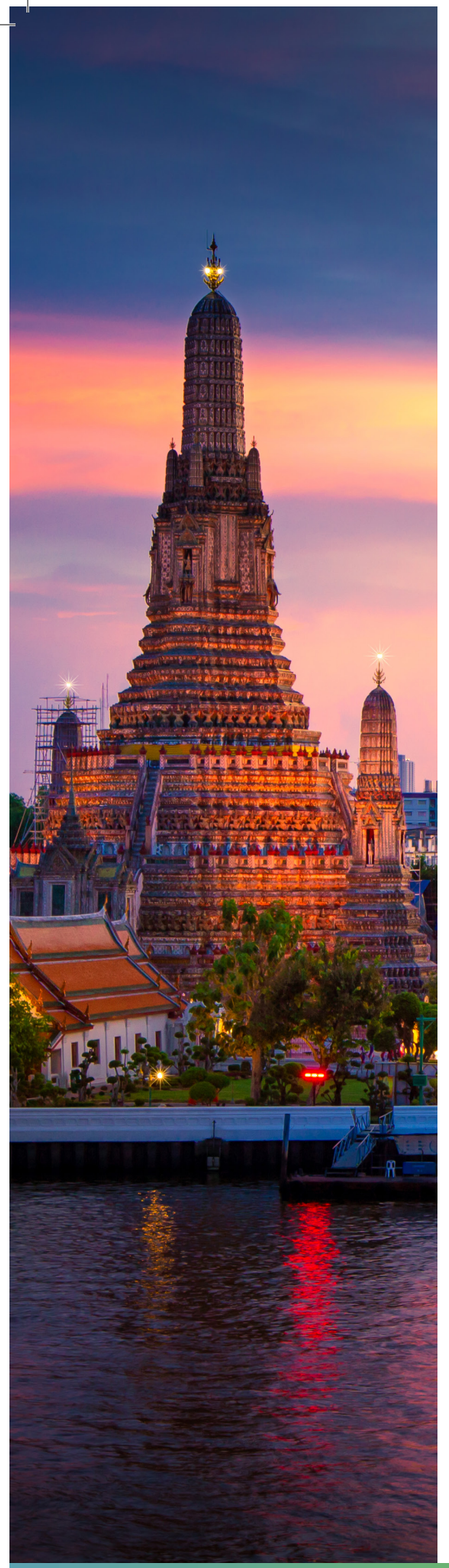
The highlight of the week was the President's Award Dinner, honoring Professor Chantal Mathieu for her lasting impact on the global diabetes community. Surrounded by friends, colleagues, and long-time supporters, the dinner celebrated excellence, innovation, and the power of connection that drives our work forward. It was more than an award ceremony — it was a reminder that collaboration and compassion are at the heart of progress.



As CWD continues to expand its presence at international conferences, our goal remains the same: to represent the voices of people living with diabetes and ensure that education, empathy, and empowerment remain central to every conversation about care.







International Diabetes Federation (IDF) Congress 2025

Bangkok, Thailand | April 2025

In April, Children with Diabetes proudly participated in the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) Congress in Bangkok, Thailand. Representing our community on an international stage, CWD shared the lived experiences of families and individuals with type 1 diabetes, highlighting the importance of education, empathy, and community in shaping better outcomes for people everywhere.



One of the highlights of the week was our hosted luncheon, "CWD: A Look Back – Year in Review," which brought together colleagues, partners, and friends from around the world to reflect on the impact of the past year and the continued growth of the CWD mission. During this special event, we recognized several outstanding individuals with Journey Awards, honoring their long-standing commitment to the diabetes community and their dedication to living well with type 1 diabetes.



The luncheon captured what makes Children with Diabetes unique — blending science, stories, and shared experiences to celebrate progress and connection. Guests left inspired by the power of community and reminded that while diabetes may be a global challenge, the strength of our collective spirit knows no borders.



Our presence in Bangkok reaffirmed CWD's growing influence as a global connector — bridging families, professionals, and organizations across cultures and continents.









American Diabetes Association (ADA) Scientific Sessions 2025

Chicago, Illinois | June 2025

In June, Children with Diabetes joined thousands of clinicians, researchers, and advocates at the American Diabetes Association (ADA) Scientific Sessions in Chicago — one of the most influential diabetes conferences in the world. Our participation reflected CWD's continued commitment to bridging the gap between clinical innovation and the lived experience of people with type 1 diabetes.

Throughout the week, the CWD team hosted conversations and collaborative gatherings focused on the real-world impact of diabetes education, family support, and psychosocial care. By connecting with healthcare professionals from around the globe, we shared insights from our Friends for Life conferences and highlighted how emotional well-being, peer connection, and community-driven education can transform lives alongside advances in technology and treatment.

A highlight of the week was welcoming partners, longtime supporters, and new friends to our hosted reception, where attendees had the chance to hear firsthand how CWD programs continue to evolve. These conversations reinforced what makes our community so special — the blend of compassion, expertise, and shared experience that keeps CWD at the heart of the diabetes dialogue.

As the conference closed, it was clear that our presence at ADA continues to make a lasting impression. By bringing the voices of families, teens, and adults with diabetes into the professional arena, Children with Diabetes helps ensure that innovation and empathy move forward hand in hand.







Friends for Life Orlando 2025

Orlando, Florida | July 2025



In July, more than two thousand people gathered in Orlando for Friends for Life 2025, the signature event of Children with Diabetes. This year's conference carried special meaning as CWD celebrated its 30th anniversary — three decades of connection, education, and support for families and individuals living with type 1 diabetes. What began as a small community has grown into a movement that spans generations and reaches families around the world.

The week was filled with powerful education sessions, inspiring keynote speakers, and meaningful opportunities to connect. Children and teens thrived in youth programming designed to build confidence, leadership, and lifelong friendships, while adults with diabetes, parents, and caregivers explored topics ranging from mental health to the latest advancements in technology and research. Every moment reflected the heart of CWD's mission: to ensure that no one faces diabetes alone.

Youth programs, first envisioned during the January Leadership Retreat, came to life in Orlando — vibrant, inclusive, and built around real connection. Green and orange wristbands filled the hallways as kids found mentors who understood their experiences and celebrated their strength. For many families, this week was more than a conference; it was a reminder that they belong to something bigger.

The week also featured CWD's most beloved traditions — the Friends for Life banquet, Family Fun Night, the exhibit hall filled with generous sponsors, and countless hugs, smiles, and moments of shared joy. Each conversation and connection reminded attendees why Friends for Life continues to be a homecoming for so many.

As CWD celebrates 30 years of impact, the spirit of Friends for Life remains the same: bringing people together, empowering them with knowledge, and reminding every person touched by diabetes that they are part of a family that will always walk beside them.

























Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists (ADCES) 2025

Phoenix, Arizona | August 2025

In August, Children with Diabetes joined healthcare professionals, educators, and advocates at the ADCES 2025 Annual Conference in Phoenix. As one of the leading gatherings in diabetes education and care, ADCES offers a powerful platform to connect with professionals who guide and support families every day. This year, CWD was proud to share our mission, resources, and community programs with attendees from across the country.

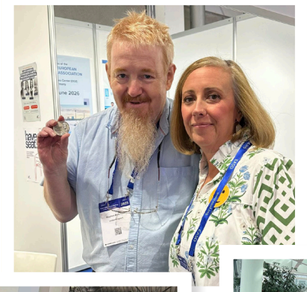
At our booth in the exhibit hall, we met hundreds of diabetes care and education specialists eager to learn more about our Friends for Life conferences, online resources, and scholarship programs. These conversations opened doors to new partnerships and reinforced how deeply healthcare professionals value family-centered education and emotional support for people living with diabetes.

CWD also hosted two Lunch and Learn events, each offering attendees an opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions about diabetes education, community connection, and the power of shared experience. These sessions highlighted how the tools, relationships, and lessons built through CWD programs can strengthen the work of diabetes educators everywhere.

Our time at ADCES reflected the very heart of CWD's mission — bringing together the science of care with the humanity of connection. Each conversation, meal, and moment served as a reminder that when professionals and families work together, we move one step closer to a world where no one faces diabetes alone.















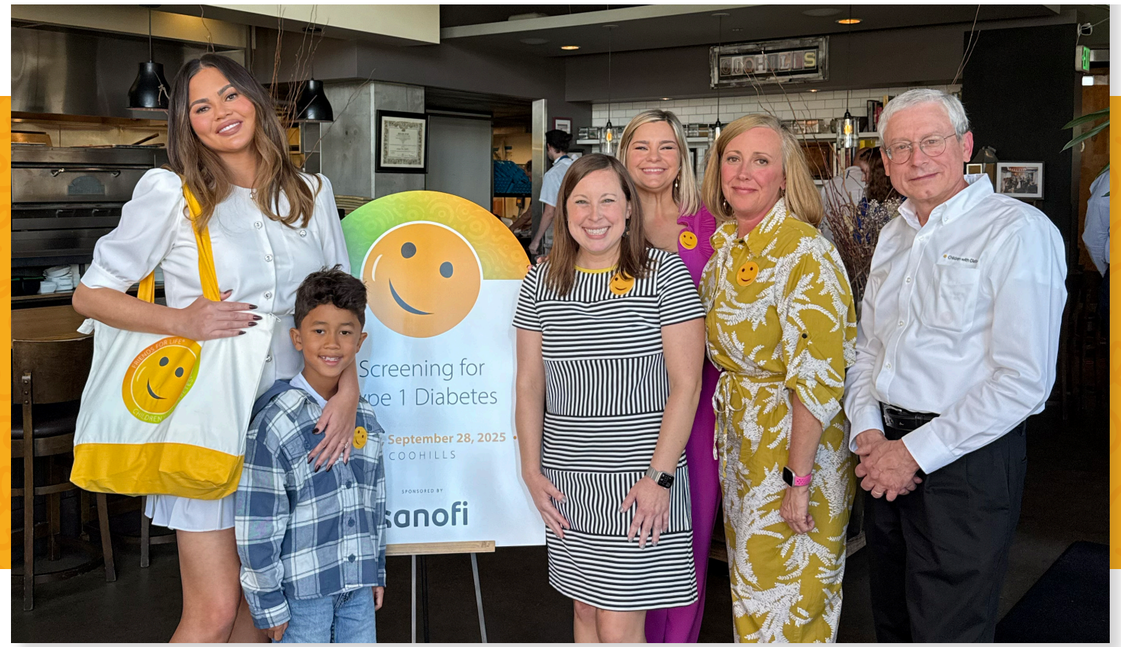
European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) 2025

Vienna, Austria | September 2025

In September, Children with Diabetes participated in the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) Annual Meeting in Vienna, Austria. This global gathering brought together thousands of researchers, clinicians, and advocates working to advance diabetes care and improve the lives of people around the world. CWD was proud to contribute its perspective — representing the families, adults, and children who live every day with type 1 diabetes and the educators and clinicians who support them.

Throughout the week, our team met with international partners, healthcare leaders, and researchers to share insights from our educational programs and Friends for Life conferences. These conversations centered on the importance of connection and psychosocial support in diabetes management, emphasizing how CWD bridges science and lived experience to create meaningful impact.

Being part of EASD 2025 underscored CWD's expanding global presence and our continued role as a trusted voice for the diabetes community. Our participation strengthened international relationships and reinforced our belief that progress in diabetes care depends not only on technology and research, but also on understanding, empathy, and community.









American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) National Conference 2025

Denver, Colorado | September 2025

In September, Children with Diabetes participated in the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) National Conference in Denver, connecting with pediatricians, nurses, and healthcare professionals who play a vital role in identifying and supporting children and teens with diabetes. The conference provided an important opportunity to share our educational resources, promote early recognition of type 1 diabetes, and strengthen relationships with those on the front lines of pediatric care.

At our booth in the exhibit hall, CWD staff and volunteers engaged in hundreds of conversations with clinicians eager to learn more about our family-focused programs, Friends for Life conferences, and educational partnerships. These meaningful exchanges helped raise awareness about CWD's mission and provided pediatric professionals with tools they can use to better support families in their practices.

CWD also hosted a Lunch and Learn event that brought together attendees for an open discussion about early detection, family education, and the emotional impact of a new diabetes diagnosis. The session highlighted how collaboration between medical professionals and community organizations like CWD can help families navigate the first critical days and months after diagnosis with greater confidence and connection.

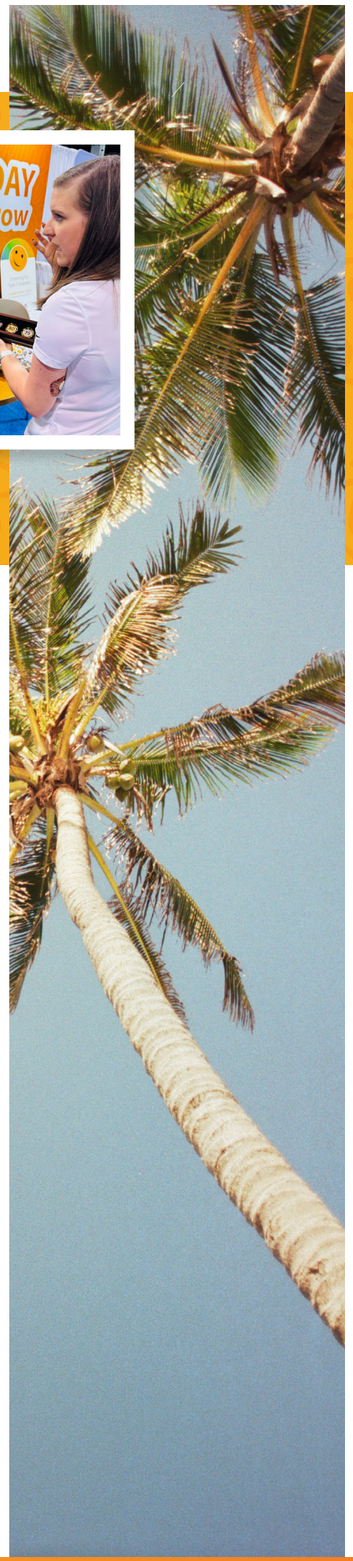
Our time in Denver reflected what Children with Diabetes does best — uniting science, care, and compassion. By engaging with pediatric professionals across the country, we continue to ensure that every child and family touched by diabetes knows that understanding, support, and hope are never far away.











American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) FMX 2025

Anaheim, California | September 2025

Children with Diabetes was proud to attend the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Family Medicine Experience (FMX) in Anaheim, where thousands of primary care professionals came together to learn, collaborate, and share strategies for improving patient care. Our presence at FMX provided a valuable opportunity to connect with the family medicine practitioners who are often the first to recognize the signs of type 1 diabetes — reinforcing the importance of early detection, education, and compassionate support for families at diagnosis.

At our booth in the exhibit hall, the CWD team met with hundreds of clinicians eager to learn more about our mission, resources, and community programs. Many shared their own experiences supporting children and families through diagnosis, and those stories underscored the critical role family physicians play in identifying diabetes early and connecting families to the care they need.

CWD also hosted two Lunch and Learn events, designed to deepen understanding and spark meaningful conversations about type 1 diabetes care. These sessions — Screening for Type 1 Diabetes and Understanding Inhaled Insulin — offered practical, evidence-based insights while also sharing real-world stories from the CWD community. Attendees left with new tools to strengthen patient education and improve outcomes through early recognition and collaborative care.

AAFP FMX in Anaheim highlighted the power of partnership between healthcare professionals and the patient communities they serve. Every conversation, presentation, and shared meal reaffirmed the impact of working together to create a future where no one faces type 1 diabetes alone.









International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) 2025

Montreal, Canada | November 2025

In November 2025, Children with Diabetes participated in the International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (ISPAD) Annual Conference held in Montreal, Canada. This annual gathering brought together clinicians, researchers, and advocates from around the world who are dedicated to improving care for children and adolescents living with diabetes. CWD's participation reflected our ongoing commitment to advancing diabetes education, fostering collaboration across disciplines, and ensuring that the lived experiences of families affected by type 1 diabetes remain central to professional discussions.

Throughout the week, the CWD team attended scientific sessions covering emerging research in early detection, technology integration, psychosocial well-being, and youth-centered care. These topics closely align with the mission and focus of our Friends for Life programming. Our presence also provided meaningful opportunities to connect with international healthcare leaders, research partners, and representatives from the diabetes industry.

In collaboration with Sanofi, Children with Diabetes hosted a Screening Reception at the Hotel William Gray's Maggie Oakes Restaurant. The informal evening gathering provided a relaxed setting for clinicians, researchers, and industry professionals to connect, share ideas, and discuss future opportunities for collaboration. The reception reinforced CWD's role as a trusted convener—creating space for meaningful dialogue and connection across the diabetes community.

During the conference, CWD Clinical Director Marissa Hitchcock presented the CWD-JENIOUS Award, recognizing an early-career investigator who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to research and innovation in pediatric diabetes care. The award presentation highlighted CWD's support for young professionals whose work directly contributes to improving the lives of people with type 1 diabetes worldwide. This year's award winner is Seema Meighan, DNP, CPNP-PC, MPH, from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

ISPAD 2025 reinforced CWD's standing as both a trusted community resource and an active participant in the global scientific dialogue surrounding type 1 diabetes. The relationships built in Montreal, the conversations sparked at the Sanofi reception, and the recognition of promising new researchers all contribute to our ongoing mission of connection, education, and empowerment for everyone touched by diabetes.







Friends for Life Seattle 2025 — Seattle

Seattle, Washington | November 2025

In November 2025, Children with Diabetes hosted Friends for Life Seattle, bringing together individuals and families living with type 1 diabetes for a weekend of education, community, and connection. This regional conference continued CWD's mission of pairing science-based education with meaningful emotional and peer support.

Held at the Renaissance Seattle Hotel, Friends for Life Seattle featured three days of programming for adults, parents, teens, tweens, and elementary-aged children. Sessions were led by clinicians, psychologists, dietitians, and community leaders and covered research updates, diabetes technology, practical management strategies, and mental health. Beyond the educational sessions, families connected through shared meals, social events, and informal conversations that fostered the sense of belonging that defines every Friends for Life gathering.

The conference included more than 20 educational sessions and four youth tracks designed to meet the developmental needs of different age groups. CWD's staff and volunteers created a safe, engaging environment that encouraged young participants to build confidence and independence in managing their diabetes while supporting the entire family unit.

Corporate and nonprofit partners participated in the exhibit hall and educational sessions, sharing innovations in diabetes care and research. With 65% of attendees attending their first Friends for Life event, the weekend demonstrated the growing reach of CWD's regional conferences—bringing families together from across the Pacific Northwest and beyond, and turning first meetings into friends for life.

67%	38%	67%	13
First Timers	Green Bands	of PWD were 18+	Scholarships Awarded

Within minutes, first-time families realized they were surrounded by people who 'get it' — people who speak the same unspoken language of life with diabetes.

















ATTD-Asia 2025

Singapore | December 2025

In December 2025, Children with Diabetes participated in ATTD-Asia (Advanced Technologies and Treatments for Diabetes) in Singapore. This international meeting brought together clinicians, researchers, and industry leaders from across the Asia-Pacific region to share emerging innovations in diabetes technology, therapeutics, and clinical care. CWD's participation reflected our growing global engagement and our mission to connect people with diabetes, healthcare professionals, and partners who share a commitment to improving lives through education and community.

The conference featured sessions focused on automated insulin delivery, continuous glucose monitoring, digital health, and data-driven approaches to improving diabetes outcomes. Attendees also explored innovations in early intervention, behavioral health, and equitable access to technology and care. CWD representatives met with international experts and organizational partners to discuss ways to integrate global research insights into Friends for Life programming and enhance access to credible diabetes education for families worldwide.

A highlight of the week was the Children with Diabetes President's Reception, hosted with generous support from Dexcom and Sanofi. This special event celebrated connection and community, bringing together healthcare professionals, advocates, and individuals living with diabetes from around the world. During the reception, CWD presented Journey Awards to honor people living with diabetes who have reached significant milestones in their personal journeys. The evening served as a joyful reminder of CWD's mission—recognizing perseverance, celebrating shared experiences, and welcoming new members into our ever-growing global diabetes family.

Participation in ATTD-Asia reinforced CWD's international presence and deepened our collaboration with partners driving innovation in diabetes care. The conversations and connections made in Singapore will help shape future educational programming and continue to ensure that CWD remains a trusted bridge between research, technology, and the lived experience of people with diabetes everywhere.





CWD Fellows Program

The CWD Fellows Program included two primary components: the CWD-ISPAD-JENIOUS Award and the Friends for Life (FFL) Fellows Program. The CWD-ISPAD-JENIOUS Award is a collaboration between the Clinical Director and ISPAD JENIOUS leadership. Each year, early-career researchers and healthcare professionals studying type 1 diabetes applied for the award, which CWD actively promoted through newsletters, social media, and key opinion leaders. Applications were reviewed jointly, and the CWD team selected the winner live in the JENIOUS session at the annual ISPAD conference.

"...No conference I've ever been to is like this. The positivity and energy of everyone there was truly palpable. I think that speaks absolute volumes to the environment and the community that CWD as an organization has been able to cultivate."
—2025 CWD Fellow

The Friends for Life Fellows program is updated annually based on feedback from previous fellows. CWD's clinical director collected and analyzed surveys, and this year, sponsor feedback was shared with them, which was appreciated. After reviewing applications, CWD selected 9-10 fellows to participate. The curriculum is updated annually to reflect evidence-based practices, and the fellows' schedule was curated to ensure they meet with sponsors and achieve program goals. This year, the clinical director personally facilitated all fellows' activities at Friends for Life Orlando. Next year, a liaison will handle the program to allow the clinical director to focus on other FFL-related responsibilities.

Programming at Friends for Life Conferences

Like our clinical articles, conference programming was designed to close education gaps and provide practical, up-to-date information that supported confident diabetes self-management. At Friends for Life Orlando, sessions were organized into three intensity levels, with psychosocial sessions labeled separately to reflect individual emotional needs.

New offerings focused on relaxation and creativity, including poetry, art therapy, and yoga, while faculty "office hours" gave attendees the chance for one-on-one conversations and more personalized guidance.

THE WEEKLY DIABETES

The Weekly Diabetes newsletter reached nearly 10,000 subscribers every Wednesday, delivering timely diabetes news, clinical insights, CWD and Friends for Life updates, Virtual Meetups, Journey Award highlights, and research opportunities—designed to inform, support, and connect the diabetes community.

Clinical Articles

The newsletter featured a clinically focused article selected or written by CWD's Clinical Director. Topics are informed by clinical experience, current research, emerging technologies, and real conversations within the diabetes community. In 2025, 26 new articles were published. The top-performing articles were:

1. From Home to Homeroom: Navigating Back-to-School Season for Children with Diabetes
2. Insurance Interruptions
3. Super Bolus: A Game-Changer in Diabetes Care
4. Diabetes Tips & Tricks 2025
5. A Series of Unfortunate Pump Events

Clinical articles blended professional insight with lived experience and cited current research when possible. In 2025, CWD also expanded coverage of underrepresented topics such as birth control, fertility, and menopause—areas the diabetes community consistently seeks more guidance on.

CWD's Current Research News

Each week, our newsletter highlighted timely type 1 diabetes research and news, carefully reviewed by our team to ensure it's accurate, evidence-based, and meaningful for people living with diabetes and their families. We shared only content that informs, supports, and empowers our community.

We also completed a monthly review of PubMed-indexed research and feature key findings in CWD's Current News section. Alongside this work, we partnered with trusted organizations to share research study opportunities across our newsletter, website, and social channels, helping connect our community with ways to advance type 1 diabetes research.

Resources for Healthcare Professionals

Many healthcare professionals sought information on the latest research, industry updates, and hot topics in the diabetes community. CWD aimed to provide HCPs with easily accessible, free resources in these areas. These resources were available in both the CWD Weekly newsletter and on the HCP resource page. Other resources that were curated included:

1. Carb Counts for various holidays
2. CWD Events or other events for Healthcare Professionals
3. Friends for Life conference flyers
4. Journey Award flyers
5. Selected Clinical Articles

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22K **14.9K**

5K **580**

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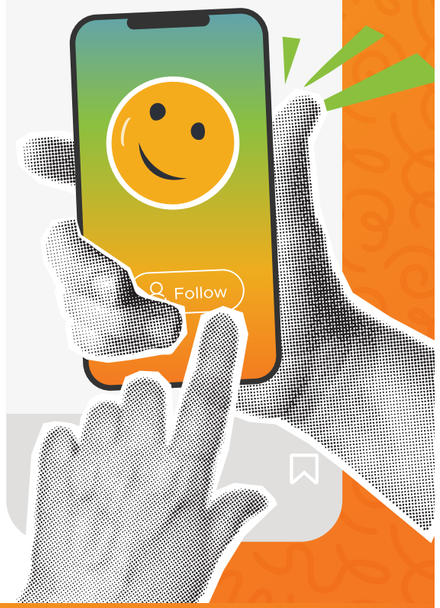
New Followers

1,597,981
Impressions

1,274
Social Posts











CWD Journey Awards

Journey Awards travel the world. In 2025, they were shared across every corner of the globe—handed out at Friends for Life conferences, CWD sessions, and international meetings, tucked into small packages for healthcare providers to distribute in their home countries, and even given in spontaneous moments, like conversations that begin in an airport line. Most days, the journey starts quietly in Cincinnati, where envelopes of medals are prepared and mailed, one by one, carrying recognition and connection to people living with type 1 diabetes.

Since 2022, Children with Diabetes has distributed more than 10,000 Journey Awards, representing 201,595 collective years of lived experience with type 1 diabetes. Each award honors resilience, perseverance, and the shared understanding that no one walks this journey alone

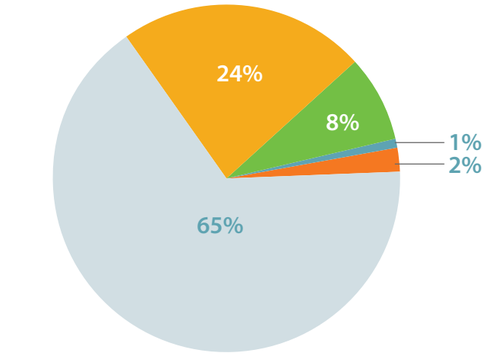


1,024 awards | **1,757** awards | **1,019** awards | **394** awards | **31** awards

*Representing more than **70,000 years** of lived experience with T1D*

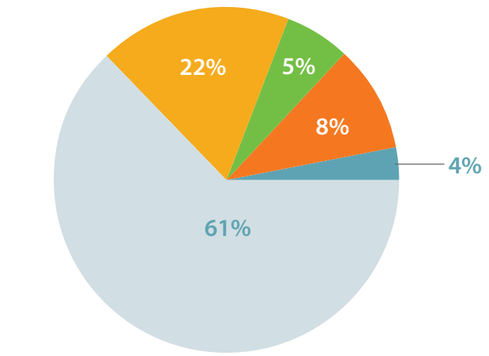
A Summary of Our 2025 Finances

Income by Category



- Conference Income
- Individual Donations and Public Grants
- Advertising
- Other Events and Support
- Investments

Expenses by Category



- Conferences
- Online Activities
- Fundraising
- Other Events
- Management and General

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