

## **Chase's Community Giving Program Awards Cancer Charity, Camp Kesem National, With \$100,000**

*Chase Advisory Board selects Camp Kesem to help spread more magic to families dealing with cancer. The campaign ended Friday with 100 charities competing in Round 2 of the Chase Community Giving Program.*

January 26, 2010 (FPRC) -- LAFAYETTE, CA - Camp Kesem's Program Director, Sigall Rave, received a call from Chase's Advisory Board yesterday morning with some of the best news Camp Kesem has ever been hit with -- a \$100,000 grant from Chase. Rave says, "When I got the call, I was asked if the \$100,000 would really make a big difference for us and my immediate response was 'You have no idea!'"

Millions of people have been sitting at the edge of their seats to watch the Chase Community Giving Campaign on Facebook announce the winners of the 100 charities competing in Round 2 that ended January 22nd. Chase's amazing program with Facebook empowered the American people to vote and decide which charities should receive funds by what matters most to them.

Chase announced the winner of the \$1,000,000 grand prize, the 5 runners up who will receive \$100,000 and the additional winners who received grants up to \$1,000,000 selected by Chase's Advisory Board. Cancer charity, Camp Kesem, was one of only six charities picked by Chase's advisory Board to receive \$100,000.

With 1.7MM new cancer cases in the U.S. each year, Camp Kesem is a needed organization that gives true magic to families. Camp Kesem is a college student run charity that provides free summer camp for children whose parent(s) have or had cancer, allowing children to have fun and be in a cancer aware environment.

Camps are all over the nation with its beginnings at Stanford University in 2000. Since then, Camp Kesem has launched 23 other camps, empowering 3,600 children of cancer patients and has developed over 2,000 college student leaders that have a passion to help. Camp Kesem is the only nonprofit that serves families coping with cancer while developing the next generation of leaders. Rave states, "We have been unable to open any new camps due to the lack of funds, so getting \$100,000 from this Chase campaign will now enable us to grow and reach so many more families dealing with cancer".

The \$1,000,000 winning charity is Invisible Children, Inc. and the 5 runners up are Isha Foundation, Twloha, Inc., Friendship Circle, Bridge to Turkiye and the Gwendolyn Strong Foundation. Six other charities who will receive \$100,000 picked by Chase's Advisory Board including Camp Kesem are Action Without Borders, Inc., Atlas Service Corps, Inc. Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, Inc. Seeds of Peace Inc., and Teen Living Programs, Inc.

If you would like to make a contribution or learn more about Camp Kesem, please visit <http://www.campkesem.org>.

For the list of Chase winners picked by Chase's Advisory Board: [http://apps.facebook.com/chasecommunitygiving/charities/top\\_100?view=advisory\\_board\\_picks](http://apps.facebook.com/chasecommunitygiving/charities/top_100?view=advisory_board_picks)

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