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Elizabethtown Girls' Soccer Club
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Dear Friends of St. Jude,

Happy New Year! The children and families of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital are grateful for your support throughout the year, and we look forward to what's to come in 2018. I wanted to thank you for your contribution of \$1,500 in December 2017 on behalf of your fundraiser in honor of your Athletic Director. You are helping provide hope to St. Jude families who want nothing more than to see their children grow up -- children like sweet, 9-year-old Ainsley.

In 2015, Ainsley wasn't displaying any symptoms, but her mom noticed that one of her lymph nodes was swollen behind her ear. After several visits to a local doctor, a decision was made to have it removed.

Surgery came and went, and then Ainsley's mom received the most dreadful phone call. Ainsley was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin lymphoma -- a cancer of the lymph system. She was immediately referred to St. Jude for treatment and care.

Ainsley has been so tough during her treatment. Her mom is so proud of how she's handled everything. "Ainsley is determined. Her courage, her strength . . . no matter how yucky that medicine tastes, she knows it's going to make her better," her mom said.

Your generosity helps ensure that children like Ainsley will continue receiving exceptional care -- at no cost to their families. That's why your support is vital to the St. Jude mission. At St. Jude, no family ever receives a bill for anything -- because all a family should worry about is helping their child live.

Thank you so much for the compassion you have for our children, and for giving them a chance to spend precious time with their loved ones. I am truly grateful to know that we have your support in the New Year. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Richard C. Shadyac Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer
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for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital