



## News Release

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### **5-Year-Old Madison to Receive a One-of-a-Kind Bedroom, Courtesy of Suite Dreams Project**

**Troy, Mich., August 27, 2009** – One very special 5-year-old girl will receive the bedroom of her dreams, thanks to Rochester-based Suite Dreams Project and Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, a statewide agency whose mission is to help families cope with leukemia, lymphoma, and related blood disorders.

The mission of Suite Dreams is to create healing environments in the homes of children with serious medical conditions. The Suite Dreams Projects utilizes the assistance of designers, artisans, and volunteers to create these unique environments, complete with healing elements specific to the needs of each child.

Madison was just 3 years old when she was diagnosed with Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia in December 2007. She is still receiving treatment but is in remission and is doing well. Madison is an active toddler and is looking forward to starting school.

Kathryn Kircher and the Boyne Design Group team will be designing Madison's room with furniture donated by Art Van Furniture. Boyne is also sending the family to the Mountain Grand Lodge and Spa in Boyne Falls for a weekend getaway while the room is being renovated.

"Madison and her parents, Amanda and William, are ecstatic about this generous gift from the Suite Dreams Project," said William Seklar, President & CEO of Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan. "Madison is an incredible little girl who has shown strength and will beyond her years. She is already making plans for her new sanctuary."

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“Stories of survival, like Madison’s, are the reason we created the Suite Dreams Project,” said Suite Dreams Project Co-Founders Kris Appleby and Kay Ponicali. “We want to offer children and parents right here in Michigan a chance to escape the everyday realities of whatever illness it is they’re facing and focus on being a family.”

### **About Children’s Leukemia Foundation of Michigan**

Children’s Leukemia Foundation of Michigan is a statewide agency helping families cope with leukemia, lymphoma and related disorders by providing information, financial assistance and emotional support. In addition, CLF has provided more than \$6.5 million in research dollars to Michigan’s comprehensive cancer institutes. Children’s Leukemia Foundation of Michigan is headquartered in Troy, Michigan. For more information, call 1-800-825-2536 or visit [www.leukemiamichigan.org](http://www.leukemiamichigan.org).

### **About Suite Dreams Project**

The Suite Dreams Project is a Rochester, Mich.-based organization that aims to bring comfort and joy to children affected by serious medical conditions by creating healing environments in their homes, in hospitals, and in our communities that improve their quality of life and speed recovery. For more information, please visit <http://suitedreamsproject.org> or call (248) 601-0799.

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