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Dear Friend of the Community,

The Bleeding Disorders Foundation of North Carolina (BDFNC) is pleased to announce the 2024 Raleigh Family Festival & Walk for Bleeding Disorders on November 2! The 17th Annual Festival & Walk in Raleigh, along with the 10th Annual Festival & Walk in Charlotte are our two largest fundraising events of the year! Proceeds from this event go towards preventing the complications of these disorders through awareness, education, advocacy, and research.

Please partner and support us with a donation for our upcoming Family Festival & Walk on November 2. Your support allows us to:

- Enhance the quality of life for those affected by bleeding disorders through participation in summer camps, retreats, and other programming throughout the state,
- Provide emergency financial assistance for patients with bleeding disorders in need to due to the high cost of treatments,
- Support research to find better treatments and cures for bleeding disorders,
- Prevent the complications of these disorders through awareness, education, advocacy, and research.

BDFNC has been assisting the bleeding disorders community in the state for over 45 years. We are the **only** organization in North Carolina that represents people with bleeding disorders, including hemophilia and von Willebrand disease, which affect up to 80,000 people in our state. Our vision is for all persons affected by bleeding disorders to achieve their full potential without barriers or limitations. We offer many programs and services to the community and encourage you to visit our website at bleedingdisordersnc.org to learn more about the organization and how your support helps the local community.

Your participation will ensure that the enthusiasm and impact of the Bleeding Disorders Foundation of North Carolina will make *each step count* in an effort to improve the lives of thousands of families in our local community who will benefit from your support and the success of the Walks.

Sincerely,

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