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Help make a Child's Wish Come True: Make-A-Wish Foundation® Seeking Local Volunteers

LONGVIEW—Five-year-old Jay, like many other kids his age, loves anything Disney. But, unlike other children his age he has an immunodeficiency syndrome that prevents him from running and playing with his friends.

In May, 2011, volunteers from the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Alaska and Washington, a non-profit organization that grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions, paid Jay a special visit, bringing with them a Mickey Mouse doll. When Jay received the doll, his face lit up with joy. In that moment, everyone knew just how happy a trip to Disneyland® would make him.

During their week-long trip to Disneyland this September, Jay received VIP treatment at the most *magical place on Earth*. While Jay loved taking a boat tour through *It's a Small World* and watching the park roll by from the Disney train, the highlight of his trip was spending 20 special minutes with Mickey Mouse. Months prior, the Mickey Mouse doll from his volunteers brought Jay great joy, but meeting this lovable character in person is a memory he and his family will have for a lifetime.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation needs your help to continue making wishes like Jay's come true. The local chapter is hosting two online volunteer trainings for potential volunteers on December 14th and January 17th in Longview, exact location TBD. For more information and/or to register, please contact Juli McClave, volunteer manger, at juli@nwwishes.org or 800.304.9474.

ABOUT MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF ALASKA & WASHINGTON:

*Celebrating 25 years of granting wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions, the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Alaska & Washington has brought hope, strength and joy to more than 4,725 local children through its wish granting process. This year, the local chapter will grant nearly 300 wishes. For more information about the local chapter and how you can **share the power of a wish®** please call 800.304.9474 or visit www.northwestwishes.org.*

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