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Triton College Organizations Participated in 2022 Walk for Wishes – Illinois

PTK Raised Money for Childhood Cancer Research

RIVER GROVE, Ill. – Triton College's Chi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) and the Triton College Student Association (TCSA) participated in Make-A-Wish 2022 Walk for Wishes – Illinois at the Lincoln Park Zoo, on Sunday, Oct. 16. Triton's PTK exceeded their goal of \$4,000 by raising \$4,142.

This is PTK's first year participating in Walk for Wishes, noted Johnny Urbina, director of Student Services.

Triton College's Chi Zeta and TCSA led as team captains over eight other PTK chapters. In total, 11 Triton students from PTK and TCSA were in attendance.

For the 2022-2023 school year, the Chi Zeta Chapter chose to raise money for childhood cancer research as a part of their Honors In Action project. This project combines academic research and action-oriented service to address real-world challenges in communities.

"Raising money for childhood cancer teaches students empathy, community engagement and civic responsibility," Urbina said.

Make-A-Wish Illinois was founded in 1985 and grants wishes to children with critical illnesses. The organization has granted more than 16,000 wishes to children in all 102 Illinois counties.

According to cancer.org, "about 10,470 children in the United States under the age of 15 will be diagnosed with cancer in 2022. Childhood cancer rates have been increasing slightly over the past few decades."

To donate, visit <http://site.wish.org/goto/PTK>.

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Triton College is a two-year college dedicated to helping members of the 25 Western Cook County communities in our district and beyond to achieve educational, professional and personal success. Located in River Grove, Ill., Triton offers more than 120 degree and certificate programs on its 110-acre campus, featuring a comfortable, friendly and diverse atmosphere. Triton also holds classes at satellite locations and offers online learning opportunities. Triton's dedicated faculty and staff work to provide high quality, convenient and affordable educational opportunities to more than 14,000 students each year. Triton College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Learn more at <http://www.triton.edu/>.