



September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month www.goldribboncampaign.org

www.childcan.on.ca

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Mayor Fontana City of London 214-300 Dufferin Ave. London, ON N6B 1Z2

## **Dear Mayor Fontana,**

Thanks you for meeting with Childcan, The Gold Ribbon Team and the Bartholomew family yesterday. As discussed, we are sending a formal request for a letter of support from the Mayor's Office and London City Council during the month of September.

September is recognized around the world as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Kids like Leigha and Stephanie (pictured) just want to be kids not dealing with hundreds of doses of chemo, hospital stays, blood transfusions, tests and life long side effects for treatment. Things kids shouldn't have to know about! Stephanie and her sisters are already making a difference around the globe with their Gold Ribbon Campaign and as Leigha continues her treatments she is helping to bring awareness to others like her and Stephanie too!

As the first city in Canada to declare itself a "Compassionate Community" we know just how caring and compassionate London and the community at large can be and how fortunate we are to live in London.



Leigha & Friend



The letter of support would used on our website, as part of information packages to supporters, donors, sponsors and as encouragement to action for other Mayor's and communities to support Childhood Cancer Awareness Month in their own communities. A letter of support will again put London in the spotlight as a leader both nationally and internationally as a "community that cares"! We still have much to do to bring awareness for the children and families living with childhood cancer all across Canada!

"Nancy, Stephanie & Angela w MP Irene Mathyssen"

We thank you in advance for taking the time to review our request. Most importantly give a voice to the kids and letting others know that London cares about children and families living with Childhood Cancer.

## Kind Regards.

Stephanie, Angela & Nancy Simmons Leigha Bartholomew Marianne Hebb Executive Director, Childcan www.goldribboncampaign.org Cancer Warrior

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