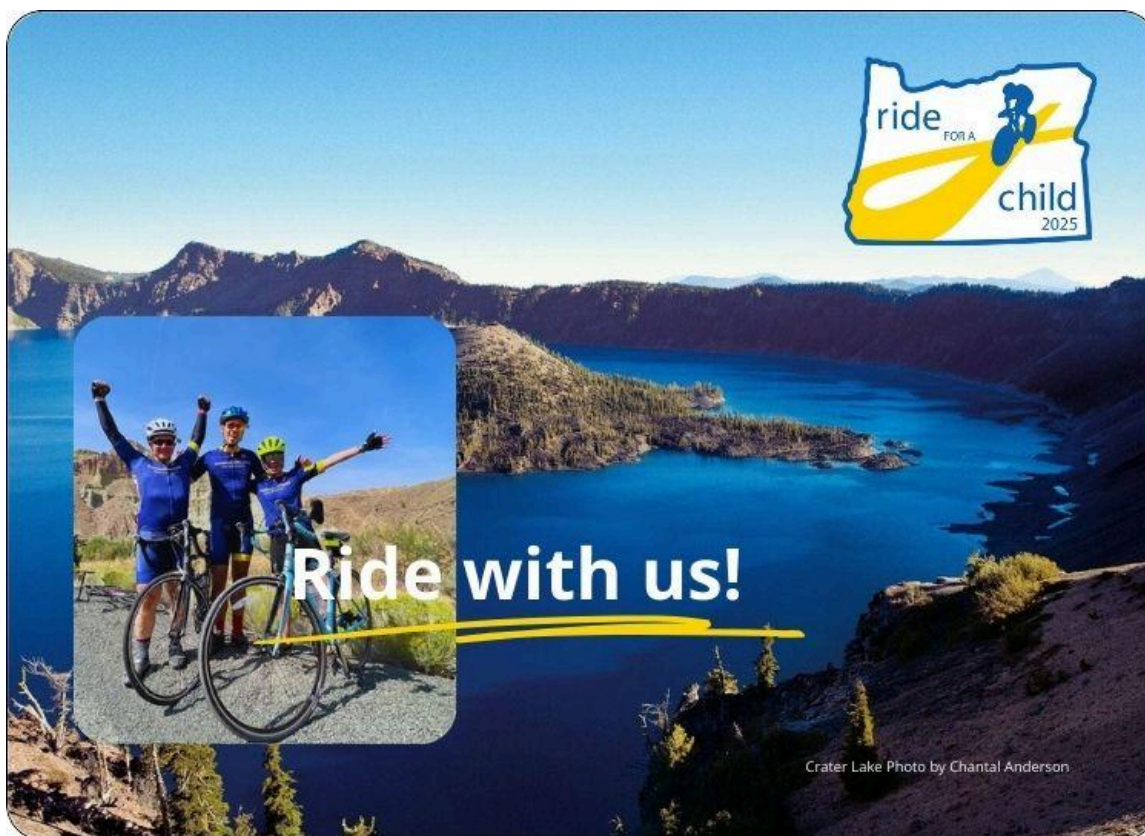




## Candlelighters For Children With Cancer 2025 Ride for a Child



**Join Ride for a Child 2025**, a fundraiser to benefit children and families in Oregon and SW Washington impacted by childhood cancer.

*"As a way to keep her alive in our hearts and continue the impact of her life on others, my ride was dedicated to Jill. I gave added meaning to Jill's life by enriching the lives of other families impacted by childhood cancer. We called the team Ride For A Child. Ride For A Child has now fielded a team every year since 2002."*

*-Ride for a Child Founder, Dick Hartung*





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### WHAT IS RIDE FOR A CHILD?

Ride for a Child (RFAC) is an annual fundraiser in which a group of cyclists raise funds for the nonprofit organization, Candlelighters For Children With Cancer. Ride for a Child cyclists train and fundraise starting in the spring for the main event, Cycle Oregon's 5 day Rally ride, in September. This year, our goal is to raise \$220,000.



*"My favorite part of RFAC is being part of a team. It is inspiring and empowering to be part of a group that has a common goal, especially one that feels so important. RFAC has given me purpose and community among others who are also passionate about supporting families and children who are impacted by cancer." Mary Holt, RFAC Cyclist*

### ABOUT CANDLELIGHTERS

The funds raised go directly to Candlelighters for Children with Cancer, a nonprofit organization serving families in Oregon and Southwest Washington. Candlelighters helps children and families cope with the struggles of childhood cancer. Through support groups, financial assistance, family activities, bereavement support and more, Candlelighters serves the entire family because cancer affects all family members. You can learn more about Candlelighters, our mission, and our programs and services at [www.candlelightersoregon.org](http://www.candlelightersoregon.org).



*"The kids are amazing. But what really gets you is the look on the parents' faces. Understanding and knowing what they are going through cements that you are part of something much bigger than just a bike ride. Last year, when I met my Honored Child and his family, I found out that they live just 10 blocks away from us." Paul Brandes, RFAC Cyclist*





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### ABOUT CYCLE OREGON RALLY

Cycle Oregon Rally is a 5-day ride from September 7-12, 2025. Each year, Cycle Oregon selects a different route that highlights the breathtaking beauty of rural Oregon and this year the ride will center around Oregon's crown jewel, Crater Lake. Ride for a Child is part of the Rally. For more information about the Cycle Oregon Rally, visit their website at [www.cycleoregon.com](http://www.cycleoregon.com) and click on rally details.

### INTERESTED? WHAT'S NEXT?

Just say YES! Yes I want to ride. Yes I want to fundraise. Yes I want to make a difference! Candlelighters and your RFAC teammates will help you make it happen. In order to participate, you need to commit to the following:

- **The Basics:** You must be healthy, in relatively good shape and have a minimum level of biking experience (comfortable with your balance and riding near other bikers and vehicles). You will need a comfortable bike (preferably a road bike but a mountain bike will work), and basic biking gear (clothing, gloves, helmet).
- **Get in Shape:** Your legs, and especially your hinter regions, must be in shape to carry you through five days of riding. Some days riding is optional and support is always available.
- **Fundraise:** Candlelighters provides a website, tools and a personalized page for you to set a goal, track your miles and share your fundraiser. **Each rider is asked to commit to raising a minimum of \$2500.** You will be amazed at the support you receive and the money you raise because you are willing to make a difference.
- **Training Assistance:** Candlelighters will organize training rides and help with training tips. Experienced Ride for a Child riders share their expertise and best practices.





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- **Riding as a Team:** At the Cycle Oregon Rally, we will have a Ride for a Child team and camp/ride as a group. A dedicated crew supports our team with tents/tent-setup, packing gear, refreshments, and lots of TLC. 2025 jerseys are supplied! In 2024, there were 30 riders. For 2025, our goal is to reach 40 riders!
- **Honor a Child with Cancer:** Candlelighters will match you with an Honored Child, a child who has or has had cancer. Your ride and fundraising efforts will honor that child, and inspire you and your supporters. You'll get to meet your Honored Child and their family at a kick off party and a group ride.





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### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST & REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Riders will pay a registration fee for the 5-day Cycle Oregon Rally (approximately \$1,500 for the basic registration) which includes all meals. **General registration opens on January 22, 2025.** To register for the 5-day Cycle Oregon rally in Crater Lake, please visit [www.cycleoregon.com](http://www.cycleoregon.com) and click on rally details (which will be live on January 22, 2025). By registering, your spot in the Rally is secured and you will receive the Cycle Oregon communications prior to September. You will also register with Candlelighters's Ride for a Child 2025 on our website, <https://charity.pledgeit.org/Rideforachild> to get connected with a team and set up your fundraising page.



If you have any questions, please reach out to either Angela Griffin Meyers at [angela@candlelightersoregon.org](mailto:angela@candlelightersoregon.org) or Mary Holt, our Ride for A Child 2025 committee lead, [mkholt207@gmail.com](mailto:mkholt207@gmail.com).

Visit the Ride for a Child website by scanning the QR code. We hope you will join the Ride for a Child 2025 team. Your ride makes a difference for local kids and families facing childhood cancer.

