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Dear Jessica June Children's Cancer Foundation,

My name is Ida Rodriguez, and I am a pediatric clinical social worker for the University of Miami/ Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center/ alex's place- pediatric hematology/ oncology department.

Sebastian Roo is a 9 year old young boy diagnosed with Pre-B cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia who was initially diagnosed in November 2013. He was born in Venezuela and was treated there when he was first diagnosed. Sebastian came into remission and unfortunately he relapsed from his disease. The family then decided to come to the United States to seek medical care for Sebastian, as they stated that with the political state of Venezuela at this time, there was not the right medical treatment for him. Sebastian and his family came to Miami, Florida and he is currently being treated at University of Miami/ Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center alex's place. He has been receiving his treatment here for almost 2 years. During this time, he received a bone marrow transplant in which he was able to come into remission for approximately 6 months and then unfortunately again relapsed from his disease. Sebastian began and continues to receive medical treatment at alex's place.

Sebastian came to the United States with his parents so that he can receive medical treatment. Parents stated that they worked in Venezuela and reported that due to political status in their country, they are no longer employed and they stated that they have a very limited income.

Any help for this family would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Sincerely,

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