



Champions For Children

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**AdvoCare and Ragus Family Fund AdvoCare Foundation with  
\$1.5 Million Gift**

*AdvoCare Foundation donates \$150,000, kicking off first giving cycle*

**(PLANO, TX)** – Today, the [AdvoCare](#) Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, announced its first round of grant recipients, giving \$150,000 to eight organizations in four metropolitan areas. Established in 2015 by AdvoCare International, L.P. and the family of AdvoCare Founder Charles E. Ragus, the AdvoCare Foundation aims to invest in long-term solutions for the safety and health of children in need.

“AdvoCare was founded on the idea of building advocates who care,” said AdvoCare Executive Vice President and Foundation President, Allison Levy. “We started the Foundation to strengthen our 23-year legacy of giving back and focus our efforts on the next generation of champions. We are excited to fund eight wonderful organizations that provide increased access to safe and healthy programs for children in their local communities.”

The first eight organizations to receive a grant from the AdvoCare Foundation include:

- [Boys and Girls Club of Metro Atlanta](#) will receive \$20,000
- [Create Your Dreams](#) in Atlanta will receive \$15,000
- [YMCA Metropolitan Dallas](#) will receive \$20,000
- [America SCORES](#) in Dallas will receive \$20,000
- [LA's Best](#) in Los Angeles will receive \$20,000
- [Kids in Sports LA](#) in Los Angeles will receive \$20,000
- [Vetri Community Partnership](#) in Philadelphia will receive \$20,000
- [Team Up Philly!](#) in Philadelphia will receive \$15,000

“America SCORES Dallas brings a quality after-school program, through soccer, poetry and community service, to under-privileged kids from urban Dallas,” said America SCORES Dallas Executive Director Crystal Schober. “Thanks to the generosity and commitment of the AdvoCare Foundation, we are able to start a new pilot program at Life School Oak Cliff this year.”

Foundation board members include:

- Allison Levy, AdvoCare Foundation President
- Stacey Cernicky, Board Member, Ragus Family
- Jenni McGaha, Board Member, Ragus Family
- Debbie Cook, Board Member, Ragus Family

To celebrate the kickoff of the AdvoCare Foundation, AdvoCare will sponsor the AdvoCare Foundation Field Day on October 1. Additional details about the event will be released in the coming weeks.

### **About AdvoCare Foundation**

The mission of the AdvoCare Foundation is to unlock potential for children in need by investing in long-term solutions for advancing their hope to live safe, healthy and happy lives. For more information about community initiatives through AdvoCare and the AdvoCare Foundation, please visit [www.advocare.com](http://www.advocare.com).

### **About AdvoCare International, LP**

Backed by the latest science, AdvoCare provides innovative nutritional, weight-management, and sports performance products. In addition, the AdvoCare business opportunity empowers individuals to explore their ultimate earning potential. AdvoCare was founded in 1993 and is headquartered in Plano, Texas. For more information about AdvoCare visit [www.advocare.com](http://www.advocare.com). Be sure to like us on [www.facebook.com/advocare](https://www.facebook.com/advocare) and follow us on Twitter - [@AdvoCare](https://twitter.com/AdvoCare)

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