



NEWS RELEASE

Contact: Levi B. Porter, Public Relations Chairman
University of North Florida Dance Marathon Committee
www.unfdm.org
pr@unfdm.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

UNF Dance Marathon Raises \$14,000 And Still Counting

20 November 2009

Jacksonville, Fla. – Dance Marathon at the University of North Florida is proud to announce that as of 10 p.m. Friday night, over \$14,000 has been raised for the Children's Miracle Network of Jacksonville/Brunswick.

Friday at 6 p.m. over 230 students packed the UNF Arena on a mission to dedicate 18 hours on their feet in support of the pediatric programs at two local hospitals, Shands Jacksonville and Wolfson Children's Hospital. Dance Marathon continues through the night until noon on Saturday, Nov. 21.

"I'm excited," said Sammie Robins, the student club president. "We still have a little way to go to meet our goal of \$20,000, but I'm confident we can do it," she said.

The student committee encourages the Jacksonville community to help attain this goal. To donate to this cause, visit www.unfdm.org and click on the 'Donate Now' link on the right side of the page.

"This event is already a tremendous success," said Kerri Solomon, Director of Children's Miracle Network of Jacksonville/Brunswick. "The fact that over 230 college students are willing to give up their Friday night to stand on their feet and raise money for our local children's hospitals is a huge achievement in and of itself."

The university-sponsored event is aimed at supporting the Children's Miracle Network of Jacksonville/Brunswick. Funds raised by Dance Marathon are used to purchase critically needed medical equipment, child life resources and educational materials for these hospitals.

Dance Marathon is a member of the university's Club Alliance.

###