



**Water Tiger School  
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**Re: Water Tiger's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital**

Water Tiger School of T'ai Chi Ch'uan is elated to be able to announce their highly successful fourth annual fundraising effort for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, TN. The Patchogue martial arts studio raised over \$3,100 for the charity this year. The goal for the year was actually \$2,500 and the total amount reflects a nearly 28% increase over the 2007 total.

Laoshi Laurince McElroy and six students presented a marathon T'ai Chi demonstration from 6 PM to 9 PM on July 25, 2008, during the Village of Patchogue's Alive After Five celebration. Other students joined occasionally through the evening and solicited over \$200 in donations from passers-by. According to event coordinator Francesca DeStefano, "We couldn't have asked for better weather for this year's event and I can't believe how well we did given the current state of things."

It is the policy of St. Jude Hospital that no family pays for treatment beyond what is covered by insurance. St. Jude is at the forefront of research into catastrophic childhood illness, and as such, benefits us all. 100% of all funds raised by Water Tiger School went to St. Jude, which promises 86% of donations goes back to the Hospital. This money aids both in research and in making St. Jude a "Hospital Without Walls," treating the most difficult children's cases from all over the country, and allowing parents to remain close, in their Target House, free of charge if the family cannot afford it.

Water Tiger School would like to extend our thanks to all who helped us help the kids.

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