

TINY MIRACLES DRAWS RECORD CROWDS!

Metropolitan Homes' Tiny Miracles 5K Walk/Run and Block Party
Raise Over \$240,000 for The Children's Hospital



The Third Annual Tiny Miracles 5K Walk/Run and Block Party

ENGLEWOOD – Cool temperatures didn't dampen the spirits or affect the turnout at the third annual Tiny Miracles Trot this past Sunday, as a record number of participants, sponsors, volunteers, and revelers showed up to support the event benefiting The Children's Hospital. Metropolitan Homes and Vallagio at Inverness, the event's organizers and title sponsors, raised in excess of \$240,000 from the 5K walk/run, and donations are still coming in.

The third annual Tiny Miracles Trot featured over 2,000 in attendance on a brisk Sunday morning on September 14th. Hundreds of race supporters and onlookers cheered on the throngs of participants as they wound their way throughout the wide, tree-lined boulevards of Inverness, starting and finishing at the Vallagio neighborhood.

9News Broadcasts Live

The 9News team hosted a pre-event TV broadcast from Vallagio with live weather reports and interviews throughout the morning. An awards ceremony hosted by Susie Wargin of 9News followed the race, where top finishers in each class were honored, along with the top group and individual fund raisers.

This year, Metropolitan Homes added a Block Party, along with a cool and refreshing beer garden sponsored by Tri-Star Drywall to the day's festivities.

During and following the event, revelers enjoyed delicious cuisine and savory snacks from a host of Denver's finest restaurants including Maggiano's, Del Frisco's, Anthony's Pizza, The Melting Pot, The Caterers, Paradise Bakery, Duffeyroll Cafe, and more.

Vallagio at Inverness' newest retailer, WineStyles, got in on the fun with a wine tasting at its new location. Even Peter Kudla, the CEO of Metropolitan Homes, fired up the grill, cooking delicious fire dogs for event participants.

A Unique Neighborhood Event

The 5K and Block Party took place in the heart of the Vallagio neighborhood on Inverness Main St. Winner of the Gold BAR Award for Neighborhood of the Year from the Home Builders Association of Metro Denver, Vallagio is located right at the Dry Creek light rail station and features a vibrant retail center, dynamic public art, and colorful pathways.

"Vallagio provided the perfect venue to showcase this spectacular event," said Peter Kudla, CEO of Metropolitan Homes. "The runners and walkers included several teams of 100 or more, many in matching shirts and costumes made especially for the Tiny Miracles Trot. The band Line 2 played all morning long, and in spite of the cooler weather, the energy was very high. It's just an amazing day filled with good people and good fun, made even better by the fact that the proceeds benefit an organization that is very close to my heart."

The History of Tiny Miracles

Since 2001, Metropolitan Homes' Tiny Miracles fundraising events have raised over \$6 million for The Children's Hospital... turning memorable, fun-filled charity events into one incredible gift that touches the lives of many.

Proceeds from Tiny Miracles benefit the following programs:

NICU – Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
Cancer Center - Experimental Therapeutics
Special Care Clinic
Heart Institute
Down syndrome Services

For information or to make a donation, visit tinymiracles.com or contact Donna Houchin at 303-222-1304.

