

News from DataSys

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DataSys Doubles its Commitment to Ride for Kids

DataSys Follows Route from Supporting the Italian Home for Children to Sponsoring the Rodman Ride for Kids

Marlborough, MA — October 1, 2005 — What does the influenza epidemic of 1918 in Boston's North End have to do with riding bikes through Norfolk, Plymouth, and Bristol Counties? It all started when the first Italian parish in New England established a temporary residence for children orphaned by the flu outbreak; the children stayed at the home until they could return to their parents or relatives or until an older sibling could care for them. Today, the Italian Home for Children is a resource for children and families in crisis – regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, disability, religion, or national origin.

A key sponsor of the Italian Home is the Rodman Ride for Kids. Their one-day cycling tour raises money for nonprofit agencies that promote healthy, positive lives for children throughout New England. Since its inception in 1991, the Ride has raised over \$17 million for a variety of organizations that serve at-risk children.

On October 1, 2005, a record number of cyclists of all ages raised a record \$3.3 million for children's charities across Massachusetts as they took off on the twenty-five, fifty, and one hundred-mile routes. DataSys was happy to again be a Big Wheel sponsor for the 2005 ride, doubling its contribution from the previous year.

DataSys has more than 35 customers in health and human services, and the Rodman Ride is only one of the nonprofit groups the company supports. DataSys has sponsored events for organizations such as the Southern Worcester County Rehabilitation Center, the Tri-City Mental Health Center, Hillcrest Education Services, and The Center for Living & Working. President Lisa Daigle is also on the Board of Advisors and Technology Advisory Committee at Bay Cove Health Services, a long-standing DataSys customer.

George Forte, Business Manager at the Italian Home for Children explains, "It is a pleasure working with all the people at DataSys. They have a full appreciation for our for both our humanitarian and Great Plains needs. They are sensitive, not only to our staff, but to the children in our care. DataSys is dedicated to ensuring that our education and counseling – which these children need so desperately – will continue. We started working with DataSys in 2002, when we purchased Great Plains from them. Since Day One, they have supported our business, IT, and humanitarian programs. Their participation in the Rodman Ride for Kids is one example of the many times over these four years that they have done their utmost, and then gone above and beyond it, for needy children in Massachusetts."

About Rodman Ride for Kids

The Rodman Ride for Kids is a one-day cycling tour that raises money for nonprofit agencies that promote healthy, positive lives for children throughout New England. Since its inception in 1991, the Rodman Ride for Kids has raised over \$17 million for a variety of organizations that serve at-risk children. Beneficiaries of the Ride work together, year-round, to collaborate on the planning and implementation of this annual event. For more information, visit www.rodmanrideforkids.org.

About the Italian Home for Children

The Italian Home for Children provides a comprehensive network of services to emotionally disturbed boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 14. All of the services are directed toward one primary goal: the reunification of the children with their own or alternative families and/or the preservation of families at risk. For more information, visit www.italianhome.org.

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