

**Cullen Children's Foundation sets new record in the support of kids
with serious medical conditions**

Seventh annual Cully's Kids Celebrity Weekend surpassed fundraising goals

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (July 20, 2011)— Support for area children and families dealing with serious medical conditions reached new records through the efforts of celebrities, sponsors and volunteers involved with the 2011 Cully's Kids Celebrity Weekend. The board of directors of the [Cullen Children's Foundation](#) announced a total of \$429,685.00 was raised through sponsorships and the multiple events, surpassing this year's goal and setting a new record.

The kids who benefit – affectionately named Cully's Kids – live with special care needs due to affects of cancer or other disease. Grants are awarded by the Cullen Children's Foundation to local Fargo-Moorhead organizations that support these children's health needs while positively improving their quality of life and have totaled more than \$700,000 through 2010.

Over the last seven years, the Cullen Children's Foundation has raised more than \$2.3 million to benefit Cully's Kids and has created an endowment fund of more than \$1 million to ensure that the Foundation can continue to grant money into the future. All time is donated by volunteers, with the exception of one seasonal helper, whose four month salary is supported through a special grant to the Foundation. As a result, all money raised goes to support Cully's Kids.

The Celebrity Weekend events included an auction and social at Ushers House in Moorhead, a Celebrity Golf Scramble at Oxbow Country Club, and the Cully's Kids Picnic at Newman Outdoor Field.

Created in 2003 by Moorhead native and professional hockey player with the Minnesota Wild, Matt Cullen, the Cullen Children's Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicating to providing financial resources to organizations that support children's healthcare needs

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