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Starry Goes to Baltimore!

WASHINGTON, DC (February 15, 2011)- February 15, 2011 Starlight Children's Foundation™ MidAtlantic is thrilled to announce its expansion of *Great Escapes*™ to Baltimore! In the past, the 165 Starlight MidAtlantic families in Baltimore have been traveling down to DC for *Great Escapes*; now these families can avoid the traffic on 95 and enjoy events closer to home.

Between having a sick child, work, and just everyday life, Starlight MidAtlantic realizes the importance of creating more convenient events for Baltimore families. Starlight MidAtlantic often receives tickets last minute or on weeknights in DC, making it nearly impossible for some Baltimore families to participate. Now, Baltimore families will continue to be invited to DC events, but they will have more options in their own city!

Last Wednesday, February 9th, a spectacular *Great Escape*™ was held in downtown Baltimore, Disney on Ice: Princess Wishes. Starlight Corporate donor, Feld Entertainment, generously provided lower level seating for the event at First Mariner Arena. The 33 kids and 20 adults in attendance were seated so close, their favorite Disney characters were waving to them from the stage! Families were given concession vouchers for dinner and some of the children even dressed the part, wearing their finest princess attire. The night was filled with sparkles, beloved Disney characters, and wonderful memories for Starlight MidAtlantic families.

Additionally, Starlight MidAtlantic treated families to Elmo's Healthy Heroes in Baltimore in September 2010, teaching children the importance of healthy habits through song and dance. Sesame Street characters have also been known to make an appearance at Johns Hopkins, visiting children. These are just the tip of the iceberg of Starlight MidAtlantic's Baltimore events!

Starlight MidAtlantic is delighted to reveal more *Great Escapes*™ in Baltimore. Plus, Starry is pretty excited to explore Charm City! Stay tuned for more news on upcoming Baltimore events.

About Starlight Children's Foundation™ MidAtlantic:

Since 1999, Starlight Children's Foundation MidAtlantic has been helping seriously ill children and their families cope with their pain, fear and isolation through entertainment, education and family activities. Last year, Starlight MidAtlantic provided over 2 million hours of entertainment in the hospital, in the community and on the Web, for 220,000 children and their families in the District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. To learn more visit www.starlight-midatlantic.org

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