CHAPTER 3B

LOCAL RESOURCES
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L1. **AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY**
   1599 Clifton Road N.E.
   Atlanta, GA 30329
   (800) 227-2345
   WEBSITE: [http://www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)
   Mission: Provides research, education, support, etc. for cancer patients.
   Services to NCCS patients: Local transportation of families by volunteers for local treatment and hospitalization.

L2. **BEAR NECESSITIES**
   Pediatric Cancer Foundation, Inc.
   23 W. Hubbard St., 3RD Floor
   Chicago, IL 60610
   (312) 836-2327, Fax (312) 836-1284
   WEBSITE: [http://www.bearnecessities.org/](http://www.bearnecessities.org/)
   E-MAIL: office@bearnecessities.org
   Mission: Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation is a national organization whose mission is to eliminate pediatric cancer and to provide hope and support to those who are touched by it.

L3. **CAMP COURAGE**
   Sherry Ofsanik
   Hospice Of Northeastern Illinois
   410 S. Hager Ave.
   Barrington, IL
   (847) 381-5599 ext. 215 (Sherry)
   WEBSITE: [http://www.hospiceanswers.org](http://www.hospiceanswers.org)
   Camp Courage is a day camp for children ages 6 to 12 who have experienced grief because of the death of a loved one. It provides children with the opportunity to express their feelings in a safe, caring, and supportive environment.

L4. **CAMP QUALITY**
   P.O. Box 641
   Lansing, IL 60438
   (708) 895-8311, Fax (708) 895-8075
   WEBSITE: [www.campqualityillinois.net](http://www.campqualityillinois.net)
Mission: A one week overnight camp for children with cancer located at Camp Manitoqua in Frankfort, IL. Camp sessions are held in August for campers ages 5-18 years old.

L5. THE CANDLELIGHTERS CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION
   National Office
   P.O. Box 498
   Kensington, MD 20895-0498
   (800) 366-2223, (301) 962-3520, Fax (301) 962-3521
   WEBSITE: http://www.candlelighters.org
   E-MAIL: staff@candlelighters.org

Mission: Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation is committed to our mission of providing support, education and advocacy for children and adolescents with cancer, survivors of childhood/adolescent cancer, their families and the professionals who care for them.

Services to NCCS patients: Periodic newsletters, support groups, etc.

L6. HEARTLIGHT (Children's Memorial Hospital)
   2300 Children's Plaza
   Box 130
   Chicago, IL 60614-3394
   (773) 975-8829 (M-F), (773) 880-4000 (general hospital line)
   WEBSITE: http://www.childrensmemorial.org/parents/support/heartlight.asp

Mission: The mission of Heartlight is to offer support and a safe place for families to find hope, strength, and healing.

L7. LEUKEMIA SOCIETY OF AMERICA (Chicago Chapter)
   651 W. Washington Blvd. Suite 400
   Chicago, IL 60661
   (312) 651-7350, (800) 742-6595, Fax (312) 463-0980
   WEBSITE: http://www.leukemia.org/hm_lls

Mission: To cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin’s disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. The Society has dedicated itself to being one of the top-rated voluntary health agencies in terms of dollars that directly fund our mission.
Services to NCCS patients: Local support groups include children with neuroblastoma and their families.

L8. MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION
   640 N. LaSalle St., Suite 280
   Chicago, IL 60610-3754
   (312) 602-9474, (800) 978-9474, Fax (312) 943-9813
   WEBSITE: www.wishes.org
   Mission: To grant the wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions and enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy. The most asked for and granted wish is a trip for the child and their family to Disneyland.
   Services to NCCS patients: Will try to grant a 'special' wish for your child. All children diagnosed with neuroblastoma should qualify.

L9. THE MITCHELL ROSS CHILDRENS CANCER FUND
   P.O. Box 243
   Northbrook, IL 60065-0243
   (847) 559-1787
   Mission: A charity dedicated to raising funds to support clinical and patient studies for children with cancer.

L10. NEUROBLASTOMA CHILDREN’S CANCER SOCIETY
   P.O. Box 957672
   Hoffman Estates, IL 60195
   (800) 532-5162, (847) 605-1245, Fax (847) 605-0705
   Website: www.neuroblastomacancer.org
   Email: info@neuroblastomacancer.org
   Mission: The primary focus of the organization is to raise money to assist local research in neuroblastoma cancer, and to raise national awareness to focus additional research and funding until a cure can be found.

L11. ONE STEP AT A TIME CAMP
   Children’s Oncology Services, Inc.
   500 N. Michigan Avenue, #300
   Chicago, IL 60611
   (312) 924-4220
   WEBSITE: http://www.onestepcamp.com/camps.html
E-MAIL: jdrescher@onestepcamp.org
Mission: Children’s Oncology Services, Inc. (COSI) is a not-for-profit charitable corporation dedicated to helping children with cancer and leukemia lead a "normal" life. This goal is accomplished primarily through the One Step at a Time camps and other programs, and by providing educational, social and physical development services to children with cancer and leukemia, regardless of their ability to pay.

L12. THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE AT CHILDREN’S MEMORIAL
622 W. Deming
Chicago, IL 60614
(773) 348-5322
WEBSITE: http://www.rmhccni.org/content.cfm/rmhchildrens
Mission: To provide housing nearby to many children’s hospitals.
Services to NCCS patients: Provides housing for child and their family nearby hospital.

L13. THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE NEAR UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO COMER CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL
In temporary quarters.
(312) 324-5437
WEBSITE: http://www.rmhccni.org/content.cfm/rmhuofc
Mission: To provide housing nearby to many children’s hospitals.
Services to NCCS patients: Provides housing for child and their family nearby hospital.

L14. TLC CAMP
P.O. Box 512
Lombard, IL 60148
(630) 495-2829 (Lucy Hogan) or (630) 620-6744 (Nancy Beltrame) (co-directors)
WEBSITE: www.tlccamp.org/
E-MAIL: tlc_camp@yahoo.com
Mission: A day camp for children with cancer ages 5-13, (each camper may be accompanied by a sibling). Located in Lombard, IL. Camp sessions are held one week in June. Sponsored by the Lombard Junior Woman’s Club.