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FrontStreet Facility Solutions (FrontStreet) has partnered with Make-A-Wish Connecticut to grant one boy's wish for the room of his dreams. Nine-year-old Southington resident Andrew shared his renovation aspirations with Make-A-Wish, whose mission is to grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

"This partnership with Make-A-Wish, and specifically Andrew's wish, was the ideal opportunity for giving back," Joseph Scaretta, FrontStreet chief development Officer, said. "The room renovation allowed us to go beyond monetary donation to creating an innovative solution based on FrontStreet's expertise and partnerships. We are so honored to be a part of granting such an incredible young man's wish."

FrontStreet joined forces with the foundation to assist with paint and painting services, heating vents, ceiling tile replacement/repainting, lighting and carpet installation for Andrew's new nautical themed bedroom. FrontStreet also worked with its strategic partners to secure in-kind donations for tables, a television and necessary hardware, surround sound, a pool table and a foosball table.

"When FrontStreet offered to become a part of Andrew's wish, we were thrilled," commented Michael Dominick, Community & Media Relations manager for Make-A-Wish Connecticut. "And now, to see the level of commitment they have given to making his wish come true, the attention to detail, and the genuine passion they have shown while going above and beyond has been inspiring to us all."

FrontStreet and Make-A-Wish officially kicked off the execution of the project on April 21, and a celebration for Andrew to reveal his new room will take place on April 29 - World Wish Day. World Wish Day is a nationally celebrated event in honor of the first wish ever granted by the Make-A-Wish Foundation. After learning about Andrew's wish and that he's a big pasta fan, the West Hartford Olive Garden joined the effort and will provide complimentary catering for the reveal event.

"World Wish Day is the day we celebrate the first wish ever granted," explained Dominick. "Make-A-Wish chapters from all around the world will be granting wishes of all different types on this special day as we remember together our grassroots beginnings from over 30 years ago, and celebrate the over 250,000 children who have been touched by a wish since the first wish in 1980."



On April 29, in celebration of World Wish Day, communities will come together and experience the power of a wish. Make-A-Wish thanks FrontStreet Facility Solutions and Olive Garden for their support and generosity towards Andrew's wish and the celebration of all the wishes that have come true for kids around the world.

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