

NATALIA FAMOUS

Natalia Famous is a 21-year-old living with Sickle Cell disease – a blood disorder that severely weakens the immune system. At the age of 10, she suffered a stroke. Luckily she suffered no lasting effects. Yet the incident would greatly impact her future.



As a result of her diagnosis and stroke, Natalia decided to pursue a career that will allow her to give a voice to people who cannot fully control their bodies. Last year, Natalia graduated Summa Cum Laude from Mercy College and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Speech Pathology. She was also the Valedictorian of her class.

Your support of **Hope & Heroes** helps patients like Natalia receive the most advanced treatment and care for blood disorders like Sickle Cell so they can enjoy as much of their lives as possible—please donate today!

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PATIENT STORIES

For companies partnering with **Hope & Heroes** in support of

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Storytelling is a powerful tool you can incorporate in communications with customers and employees during the September campaign. Every cancer patient has a unique perspective on the disease and its impact. Telling the stories of individual children and families impacted by cancer makes our work real and so much more compelling for donors.

** Each of these patients and their families has granted permission for their story and photo to be shared by Hope & Heroes and its partners during the September campaign.*