



# ELENI

TALE OF COURAGE AND KINDNESS

Make-A-Wish®  
Κάνε-Μια-Ευχή Ελλάδα



Eleni, 10 years old from Greece, has demonstrated endless compassion to others through her actions. Just like Merida from Disney's *Brave*, Eleni uses her special strengths to help others and to make the world a better place.

In early 2017, at just 5 years old, Eleni decided to use her Make-A-Wish® wish to offer gifts to all children less fortunate than her, as she wanted to encourage happiness and show kindness to children in need.

She believed that she had enough toys of her own and felt that all she needed was to be surrounded by love. Eleni wanted to show that Christmas is more than just a holiday and can create an everlasting feeling.

With the help of Make-A-Wish® Greece and the use of a minivan, her wish was granted. With support from the community and local businesses, Eleni was able to personally gift over 2,000 gifts to children; reaching over 3,000 families and covering 100km in two days. At the end of the experience, an exhausted Eleni felt joy and happiness knowing that she had been able to make other children smile through her wish.

Make-A-Wish® Greece creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. The charity seeks to bring every eligible child's wish to life because every child deserves a childhood. Research shows children who have wishes granted can build the physical and emotional strength they need to fight their illness. To find out more about Make-A-Wish® Greece please visit the organisation's website: <https://makeawish.gr/>

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