Since PRF was formed in 1999, Progeria has rocketed from obscurity to clinical treatment trials and discovery of the first treatment. PRF is forging ahead at a phenomenal pace towards new treatments and the cure for Progeria. We need your help NOW to reach these goals and win the race against time for these extraordinary children.

Together, we WILL find the cure!

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What is Progeria?
Also known as Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome (HGPS), Progeria is a rare, fatal, “rapid aging” disease. Children with Progeria die of heart attacks or strokes, usually in their early teens.

PRF’s Mission
To discover treatments and the cure for Progeria and its aging-related disorders, including heart disease.

Progeria is taking the lives of children around the world
PRF has identified children in more than 50 countries living with Progeria. These children are born looking healthy, but within months they display early signs of the disease, including failure to grow, loss of body fat, hair loss and aged-looking skin. Within just a few years they also develop stiff joints, hip dislocations and heart disease. Eventually a heart attack or stroke will claim their lives. Children with Progeria live an average of 14 years.

PRF has identified half of the children with Progeria worldwide, and we are determined to find them all through our global awareness programs.