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## **Joe Andruzzi Foundation Receives \$27K Donation from Honey Dew Donuts Partnership**

**North Attleboro, MA (February 14, 2017)** — The Joe Andruzzi Foundation (JAF) and Honey Dew Donuts® are excited to announce that their third year of partnering to raise funds for the Foundation's mission of providing financial assistance to cancer patients and their families has resulted in a \$27,000 donation. This generous donation will allow JAF to help over 38 families throughout New England.

From November 1<sup>st</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>, Honey Dew Donuts [encouraged their customers to support the Foundation](#) by purchasing \$1, \$3, or \$5 window decals sold at participating locations. Customers throughout Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island rallied behind the cause and were able to raise an impressive \$13,500 in just two short weeks. At the end of the partnership, Honey Dew matched all proceeds raised, resulting in the \$27,000 donation. Since their first year of partnership in 2014, Honey Dew Donuts has now raised over \$100,000 for JAF.

"We are extremely grateful to Honey Dew Donuts and its loyal customers, and we can't thank them enough for not only their support, but also for raising awareness," said Joe Andruzzi, Foundation President. "When a community stands behind you, your reach is even greater – and that is certainly the case here. This donation will allow us to help even more cancer patients and their families when they need it most."

"We are thankful to our customers and our franchisees for making this year's campaign another great success," said Richard Bowen, President of Honey Dew Associates, Inc. "The work JAF does to assist cancer patients is extraordinary and Honey Dew is committed to helping them in their endeavor year after year."

JAF's Financial Assistance Program provides grants to cancer patients and their families in active treatment, allowing them to focus on what is most important: getting better. Specifically, the program is designed to assist patients throughout New England with basic living expenses, such as mortgage, rent, and utility bills.

### **ABOUT THE JOE ANDRUZZI FOUNDATION**

The Joe Andruzzi Foundation, founded in 2008, is committed to providing help, hope, and a reason to smile for cancer patients and their families by contributing financial and emotional support when it is needed most, as well as funding pediatric brain cancer research. Joe Andruzzi, a former three-time Super Bowl winning offensive guard with the New England Patriots, was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Burkitt's

lymphoma in 2007 and was treated at Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Brigham and Women's Hospital. Disease-free less than a year later, Joe dedicated his life to supporting other cancer patients and funding life-saving research. The Joe Andruzzi Foundation is Joe and his wife Jen's second philanthropic effort; in 2003, they started the C.J. Buckley Brain Cancer Research Fund at Boston Children's Hospital in memory of C.J. Buckley, a young man with an inoperable brain tumor who touched their hearts before losing his battle in 2002. The fund supports much-needed, innovative research into the molecular nature of pediatric brain tumors, novel treatment therapies and alternatives to multiple surgeries. For more information, or to make a donation, please visit [joeandruzzifoundation.org](http://joeandruzzifoundation.org), or visit our [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages.

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