



STROLL & ROLL THE CATWALK

The John Fair III Spinal Cord Injury Foundation (JFIISCIF) is a 501(c)3 organization providing recreation, socialization, and advocacy for people affected with SCI. Our goal is to #movesomeonewhocant!! We are proud to say that in our ten year history, we have created collaborative partnerships that include other organizations of people and caregivers all working to improve the lives of others both affected and effected with mobility disabilities. In 2017, Houston was hit with a catastrophic flood, Harvey. Although many of us were still reeling from the disaster, our community of individuals grew to enormous numbers due to caregivers and aides unable to reach clients due to their own personal tragedies. We created the Stroll & Roll the Catwalk as an opportunity to showcase the abilities of the community we serve, raise awareness, and money for much needed resources. Models with various physical disabilities took to the catwalk with the non-disabled to bring huge smiles and thunderous applause. The numbers of people affected with disabilities is difficult to calculate, as you are reading this, a young athlete, cheerleader, or possibly your neighbor is being injured or diagnosed. Our immediate goal is the purchase of an adaptive van to assist with providing transportation of individuals and caregivers and also to provide daily respite care for those struggling with the overwhelming task of taking care of a loved one. Each summer we provide a wheelchair camp along with other recreation activities to ensure individuals are participating in real life activities that they are typically isolated from due to the lack of programs. Because we focus on the physically disabled, transportation is one of our largest hurdles. Many clients are only able to take public transportation. Oftentimes our community faces longer commutes than normal due to routing, and their care is compromised due that issue. Many clients face incontinence and bowel issues that are strongly affected by a two-hour bus ride. Our agency is working to assist in these efforts along with emergency supplies in case of another local disaster. We are excited about the next ten years as we continue to bridge the gap in services and provide the much-needed life sustaining events and programs

for the clients we serve.

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