

# Minerva Engineering

## Supports the Fight Against Cystic Fibrosis

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In the past, Minerva Engineering has been a sponsor for a variety of charities and civic-minded events because we want to foster involvement in the local communities and support the spirit of giving. We often look for those charities that are closest to members of our staff that are personally involved in fostering understanding, raising money or just lending a helping hand for some great charities. This year, we sponsored the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's Great Strides Event.

Great Strides is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's largest national fundraising event. Each year, more than 125,000 people participate in hundreds of walks across the country to support the Foundation's mission to cure cystic fibrosis and raise awareness for this rare, genetic, life-shortening disease that makes it difficult to breathe. The CF Foundation is leading the way in innovative research and drug development, promoting high-quality, individualized care and helping people with CF live better today. Nearly every CF drug was made possible by the Foundation and because of funds raised from Great Strides, people with CF are living longer, healthier lives and pursuing their dreams. Real progress toward a cure has been made, but the lives of young people with CF are still cut far too short.



According to Darlene Joy, her own family affected by CF and Minerva's event coordinator and proud cheerleader, *Minerva's Marauders* raised almost \$10,000 to contribute towards the fight for a cure for this terrible disease. "We are making great strides with the research and now have an adult clinic at John Hopkins to help people with CF to live longer, productive and fulfilling lives" Darlene commented. *Minerva's Marauders* were also awarded the trophy for "Most Team Spirited" and "Most Money Collected by a Team" making this a very successful outing.

"I'm not surprised we were given the team spirit award", said Robert LaBella, Minerva's president. "Darlene has been personally affected by this terrible disease and she is a tireless advocate for working to defeat CF. We go out of our way to find causes to support that mean something to our employees and because of that commitment on the part of Darlene and the other Minerva team members, I'm not surprised we won the team spirit award".



The day's event wasn't just about walking. There was food, bean-bag toss and other activities for the whole family. Fortunately, the day stayed dry for the team and a great time was had by all.

To learn more about this disease and the foundation, visit the website at: <https://www.cff.org/>

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