

## Meals That Make Wishes Come True

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At Ling's Wok Shop, fresh, wok-fired Asian cuisine has long brought people together around the table. The Scottsdale restaurant is giving guests a new reason to dine with purpose through Cooking With a Cause, a three-month give-back campaign benefiting Make-A-Wish Arizona, the founding chapter of the international nonprofit that grants life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

Throughout February and March, a portion of proceeds from every dish ordered from Ling's Favorites will be donated directly to Make-A-Wish Arizona. The campaign offers a simple way for guests to support children and families during some of the most challenging moments of their lives, simply by enjoying the bold, familiar flavors they already love.

"Make-A-Wish left a lasting impression on us," Owner John Banquil said. "One of our longtime regulars served on the board, which introduced us to the organization, and after partnering with them last year, we knew this was something we wanted to continue. Their work is powerful, personal, and deeply rooted in our community."

Make-A-Wish Arizona is celebrating 46 years of granting wishes in the state and has fulfilled more than 8,500 wishes since 1980. Last year alone, the organization granted a record-breaking 476 wishes, serving children across 15 counties and providing experiences that medical professionals say can improve emotional strength, resilience, and adherence to treatment.

"When local businesses step up, they help turn hope into reality for wish kids and their families," said Jessica Haag, senior director of PR and marketing for Make-A-Wish Arizona. "Partnerships like this allow us to continue granting wishes that bring joy, strength, and a sense of possibility to children facing critical illness. Every meal ordered helps move us closer to the wish of every eligible child."

Guests can participate in Cooking With a Cause by ordering any dish from Ling's Favorites, the restaurant's most popular entrées. Every plate served helps fund wishes that provide moments of joy, relief, and inspiration for children and families navigating complex medical journeys. For more information, visit [lingswokshop.com](http://lingswokshop.com) or learn more about Make-A-Wish Arizona at [arizona.wish.org](http://arizona.wish.org).