**Spirit of Children Brings Halloween Fun to Shriners Hospitals for Children - Boston**

The Spirit of Halloween, the country’s leading seasonal Halloween retailer, hosted a fun filled “Spirit of Children” Halloween party for Shriners - Boston patients recently. Staff members from local Spirit of Halloween stores, along with Boston Region’s special projects manager Phil Volonino, brought along costumes, goodie bags, arts and crafts and games for all of the patients. Phil also wowed the patients with his close-up magic tricks. Adding to the excitement was a special visit from the Power Rangers, dressed in full super hero attire.

The patients had lots of fun posing for pictures with the Power Rangers.

“This is one of my favorite things about my job,” says Volonino, “We work hard on this program and it is rewarding to see how much fun the kids have. It is an important part of the mission of our organization to give back to the community.”

Spirit of Children is a program that brings fun and funding to children’s hospitals at Halloween and all year long. Their point-of-purchase fundraising at their locations has helped to raise more than $7 million in cash and merchandise donations. Every dollar donated goes directly to the hospitals. Local donations stay local. To date, the Spirit of Children program has raised more than $91,000 for our hospital alone.

This unique program helps to make a child’s hospital stay less scary for kids and their families by providing fun during the Halloween season and as well as funding for the Shriners child life department throughout the year.