

# RAVENS IN OUR COMMUNITY



## PLAY FOOTBALL MONTH

As a part of Play Football Month, the Ravens honored eight local youth football teams and the Lil' Ravens cheerleading squad before and during the halftime break of both preseason games, when the youngest members of the Ravens Flock took the field at M&T Bank Stadium. The youth football teams faced off in a live scrimmage, while the Lil' Ravens performed stunts, routines and tricks that they learned from Ravens cheerleaders during a week of camp. During Play Football month, the National Football League and USA Football celebrate the start of football season and encourage youth to play.



## GAMEPLANEARTH



GamePlanEarth (GPE) is a season-long environmental initiative established and led by the Ravens to help make Baltimore a more sustainable city. Through this program, the team hopes to further inform fans about growing environmental challenges and encourage them to recycle, reuse and conserve. GPE is an extension of the organization's continued efforts to reinforce M&T Bank Stadium's LEED Gold Certification, a designation given to organizations that strive to deliver healthy, environmental-friendly, cost-saving and energy- and water-efficient operating buildings in the community. Volunteers sponsored by the Baltimore Exelon Eco-Team collected recyclable materials in tailgate lots at the Ravens vs. Lions game on Aug. 27.

## MAKE-A-WISH

With the help of Make-A-Wish Mid-Atlantic, the Ravens granted a special wish for a young super fan named Austin, a 13-year-old from Connecticut who used his wish to meet the entire Baltimore Ravens team. Austin and his family had the opportunity to watch an exclusive practice at the Under Armour Performance Center. Immediately following practice, he was recognized by head coach **John Harbaugh** as the "player of the day" and broke down the team huddle. Austin also got to meet his favorite players, **WR Steve Smith Sr.** and **QB Joe Flacco** (pictured below). As an honorary member of the team, Austin and his family were invited to have lunch with the team, participate in team meetings and attend the Aug. 27 preseason vs. Detroit game at M&T Bank Stadium.

