



——— Providence House ———

HOUSE NEWS

= Spring 2019 =

We're Celebrating 3 National Awards!



Providence House was recently named a Top Nonprofit to Work for in 2019 by The Nonprofit Times!

Providence House was evaluated across focus areas including leadership and planning, work environment, training, benefits, and more. We are so proud to be included and to be the first nonprofit in Cleveland to make the list.



The ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center recently recognized Providence House as one of just thirteen programs in the nation for innovation and exemplary service.

ARCH Director Jill Kagan praised the commitment to children and families, and that Providence House was selected for our 'data culture', documentation practices, and approach to social and economic changes.

U.S. Children's Bureau The Children's Bureau recently named Providence House the 2019 Champion for Preventing Child Maltreatment!

The award recognized the effort of agencies that have made exceptional contributions in promoting the health and well-being of children and families.

Congratulations to the staff, volunteers, and supporters

who made these awards possible – we couldn't do it without you!



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A Note from



April 16th celebrated 38 years of keeping kids safe and families together with over 600 guests at our Annual Luncheon. We honored incredible supporters who have gone above and beyond for our children, shared our progress and

future plans, applauded our recent national awards, and heard from Governor DeWine about his goals to increase the state's commitment to helping children in crisis.

We also shared that once again, we have served the largest number of babies and children in our history! Yet, even with this incredible accomplishment, over 200 children were wait listed or unable to be served due to our limited capacity.

It is heartbreaking to know that so many babies and children who need us continue to live in crisis while their families struggle to find solutions for safety and stability. For the past year, we have challenged ourselves to find ways to help more children and families. And we have!

Our dear friends, Karen Dolan, a trustee of the Providence House Board, and her husband, Paul Dolan, chairman and CEO of the Cleveland Indians announced at our Luncheon that Providence House will open a second campus in Cleveland's Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood! Karen and Paul Dolan are leading our "Giving Hope for the PHuture" campaign, which has raised nearly \$3 million to date. We have a ways to go to reach our fundraising goal but are committed to successfully expanding to help more children.

"Providence House is solving complex problems in our community every day," said Karen and Paul Dolan. "We're thrilled with the opportunity to help lead this campaign and encourage people in our community to invest in expanding this successful model to help children and families on the east side of Cleveland."

Why the east side? When we looked at the zip codes for the 200+ infants and children we were unable to admit, 70% of those unserved are living on the east side of Cleveland. Clearly, any future growth needs to be where the children are. We have purchased the historic Weizer Building located at East 118th & Buckeye Road in Cleveland's Buckeye-Shaker neighborhood and plan to renovate and transform the historic building into a Children's Education Center, a Family Resiliency Center providing family preservation services, and house the organization's Administrative Offices. A 7,000 square foot addition will be added to the building to house a 20-bed Crisis Nursery residential wing.

With the opening of a second campus, Providence House will increase the number of infants and children we help annually to more than 700 and expand services to more than 1,000 parents and caregivers. Beyond our vital services, Providence House also hopes to help catalyze future development and partnerships in Buckeye-Shaker and surrounding neighborhoods, building stronger, safer communities with stable and healthy families.

I am so thrilled to share this exciting news with you! We will continue to keep you up to date on our progress and the ways that you can help us. In the meantime, please continue to hold our children close to your heart and support those we are protecting with your gifts. Consider a gift of \$38 in honor of our 38th Anniversary, \$91 in honor of our Founder Sr. Hope's 91st Birthday, or \$200 in honor of the 200 children who need us to expand to reach them. Always, in all ways, every gift in any amount means that every child who needs us can find safety and love at Providence House.

For more information about our expansion and campaign, visit provhouse.org/givinghope.



WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS, MAKE LEMONADE

Share some Lemonade Love by hosting – or helping others coordinate - a lemonade stand to benefit Providence House. Any amount you donate makes a difference!

We are happy to work with you to create a fundraiser to raise money or collect donated items for Providence House. Visit provhouse.org/ lemonade for lemonade stand materials and other ideas.

You've heard that "It takes a village to raise a child."

At Providence House, we take that to heart. Child abuse and neglect is an issue that not just one person can solve, and it's vital that the community understands how hard we all must work to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Children and families come to Providence House for many reasons, and the challenges they face can be overcome with support, caring, and intervention. But we need your help. Together, we can promote our children's safety, development, and well-being. Together, we can support every child.



Family Fun Day!

Join us for a free community event at our 3rd annual Family Fun Day on June 23rd!

Come and enjoy food, games, crafts, activities, a chance to meet your favorite superhero, and more!

If you would like to support our children through a donation, please bring an item off our wishlist.

Visit us at **provhouse.org/events** for details.



Become a Childcare Volunteer!

Are you interested in making a difference in a child's life?

We'd love to have you on our team!

Volunteers provide support to the childcare staff through direct work with the children and through completion of day to day tasks.



Questions?

Contact Sarah Tuckowski at 216-651-5982 or sarah@provhouse.org

"I feel that all of us who volunteer at Providence House are helping to change the world one child at a time."

-Ida Pocci, Childcare Volunteer



PHriend!

Are you a young professional with passion, integrity, and a desire to grow personally and professionally? Become a part of our PHamily by joining the PHriends, a group committed to keeping kids safe & families together.

To learn more about the PHriends group, visit **provhouse.org/phriends**.

Celebrating Priscilla's 20th Anniversary!



Priscilla Sosa is celebrating her 20 year anniversary with Providence House! In the last two decades, Priscilla has impacted thousands of children with her passion and dedication to Providence House.

——— Q&A ———

Get to know more about **Priscilla!**

What keeps you fulfilled working at Providence House?

The great impact keeps me fulfilled at Providence House. In this role I'm able to provide a safe and stable environment to many children that haven't experienced that before.

What has been your most rewarding experience over the last 20 years?

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Watching the growth of the families. Families come into Providence House feeling hopeless and they discharge feeling hopeful.

What has been the most important thing you've learned in the last 20 years?

Learning to help and support children that have experienced trauma, helping them to build their self-esteem.

Tell us a fun fact about you that people might not know.

I love to travel and visit new places.



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