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A Note from Natalie



The holidays are here again! While we will enjoy time with family and friends, it can also be a time for tremendous pressure and stress. The constant hustle and bustle often leave us feeling overwhelmed and anxious. We dread

seeing the crazy uncle or worry about the cost of presents for family and friends.

Yet, few of us worry about where we will sleep, if we will eat, or if the police will come tonight because mommy and daddy are fighting. These are only some of the fears that children who come to Providence House experience every day.

We've shared research with you in the past about how these fears and the trauma they create can lead to toxic stress. Toxic stress in children is different than the daily stress we experience and can usually manage. Toxic stress can impact children's brain development, impeding their ability to form attachments, regulate their behavior, succeed academically, and live healthy and happy lives.

Without early intervention from places like Providence House, adolescent and adult survivors of toxic childhood stress are likely

to be challenged by mental health issues, addiction, chronic disease, violent behavior, or further victimization. And for some untreated survivors, all of these could be true.

Providence House has been talking about the impact of early childhood trauma for many years. We're finally seeing progress in the recognition of the need to prevent early childhood trauma or, at the very least, support early intervention for children who've been exposed.

The tide is turning. With the recent passing of the Family First Prevention Services Act by Congress and increases in Victim of Crime Act grants for programs that are doing more to help victimized children and keep families together, we are making progress. These policy changes

are making prevention and early intervention for children a priority, before they become the next generation of homeless, incarcerated, addicted, and chronically-ill adults, struggling to succeed.

And while early intervention is critical for

these children, we know that the single most important thing in child's early life is consistent, loving support from an adult. Children find that love and support at Providence House year-round because of you.

So while you're stressing about all of the holiday gifts you need to give, know that the gift you give to Providence House is changing the life of a child.

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STRESS FREE HOLIDAY GIVING!

Give your family, friends, and clients a gift that is truly in the spirit of giving... a contribution in their name to help a baby or child in crisis spending the holidays at Providence House!

For a minimum donation of \$10 per individual, we will mail out holiday cards to your friends, clients or family announcing your special contribution to the babies and children of Providence House in their honor.

Your list will be kept completely confidential and will not be solicited by Providence House at any time. Your gift is 100% tax deductible.

Contact Kaylee Quanbeck at 216.651.5982 x 223
or kaylee@provhouse.org to get started.



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This year, give your friends and family a gift truly in the spirit of giving.

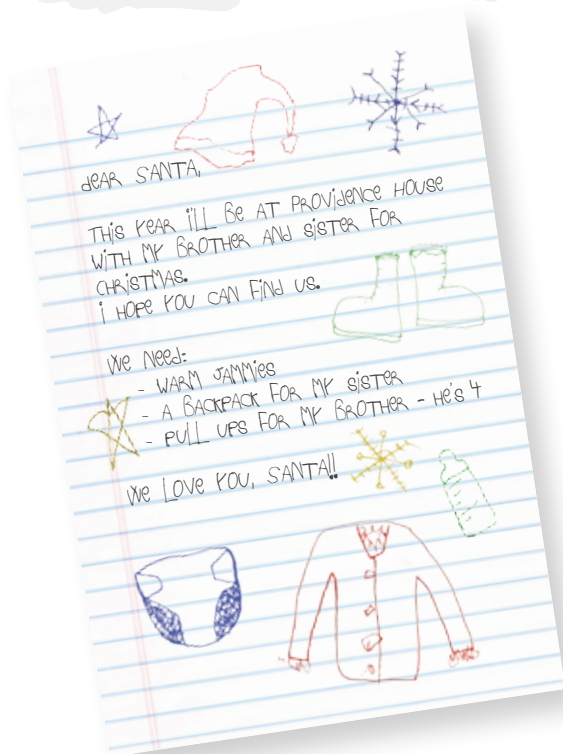
The Holiday season is here! We've made shopping a lot easier with our holiday giving ideas.

Decorate your home or business with a Giving Tree!

Download our giving tree materials, print and decorate the ornament stencils, then label the ornaments with items from our holiday wish list!

Organize a donation drive using our wishlist!

Your company, organization or family can host a gift drive to benefit the babies and children of Providence House. Simply ask your group to purchase any item from our wish list.



Visit us at provhouse.org/holiday to learn more about giving opportunities this season!

HOST A HOLIDAY PARTY

Are you hosting a holiday party this year? Consider asking your attendees to bring a gift for Providence House in lieu of a host gift. Encourage your guests to purchase their items through Amazon Smile for a gift that gives twice!

Visit provhouse.org/holiday for our tried and true holiday party tips for success.



Over the past 37 years, Providence House has evolved into a national model in the prevention of child maltreatment and the preservation of families. Everything we do at Providence House is grounded in our ultimate vision: **one where children everywhere are raised in safe, loving families free from abuse and neglect.**

WE ARE EXTENDING OUR SERVICES!

Community Education and Resiliency Program

Providence House is launching a pilot program of our Family Preservation Services with Boys and Girls Club of Cleveland. This will bring our parent education and support programs to parents whose children are members of Boys and Girls Club. The goal of this program is to deliver our services to families in the community to improve stability and connect them with services and social supports before their level of crisis necessitates a stay in our crisis nurseries.



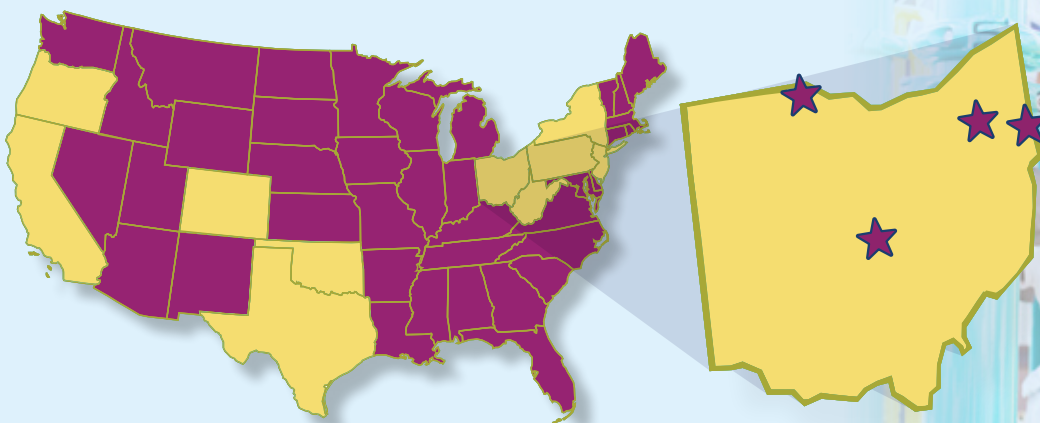
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"Every Child" Consultation

Providence House is truly unique in its mission and is recognized as a national leader in child abuse prevention, family preservation, and alternative response to foster care. Due to our program's success, we have received an increasing number of inquiries from across the United States for consultation on Crisis Nursery services. We are making progress in bringing our model to other communities:

- Nearly **20 inquiries annually** from organizations and people looking to adopt our model.
- Providence House presented stakeholder meetings in **San Antonio, Columbus, and Toledo.**
- We are developing a **digital consultation platform.**

OUR CRISIS NURSERY MODEL IS REACHING CHILDREN & FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY!



Pediatric Crisis Nursery

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Three years ago, we opened the doors to Elisabeth's House, the country's first Pediatric Crisis Nursery. Since then, we've served over 70 children with cerebral palsy, spina bifida, autism, asthma and more whose families were experiencing crises from all over the greater Cleveland area.

Enjoy these photos of our opening day, and join us in wishing Elisabeth's House a Happy 3rd Birthday!



Legacy of *Hope*

Through Sister Hope Greener's vision 37 years ago, we've had the opportunity to serve more than 8,000 children and families. Join our Legacy of Hope Society by including an estate gift to Providence House as a part of your living legacy.

By making a gift to Providence House through your will, trust, or other financial plan, you can provide safety for future generations of children.

We would love to talk to you about your Legacy of Hope. Please contact Kayla Naticchioni, External Relations Manager at 216-706-1424 or kayla@provhouse.org to learn more.



Partner with us!

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Become a part of our business community's promise to protect its children with a one-time gift through our Annual Corporate Partner Program. Visit provhouse.org/partner to learn how your company can leverage its philanthropy to make a difference for children and families in crisis.

See which companies are part of the solution and have already invested in keeping kids safe on the back panel.



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VOLUNTEERS GET IT DONE...IN A DAY!

Volunteers are so integral to our daily operations at Providence House, and we would love to have your group or workplace consider us for your next service project! Call 216-651-5982 to learn about projects that you can get "Done in a Day".

Thank you to the following groups for getting it done in a day at Providence House this year!

- American Greetings' Young Professionals Resource Network
- Caresource
- Charter Steel
- ClearSulting
- Cleveland Browns IT
- Cox Auto Inc.
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- Equity Trust Company
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- Philanthropy Institute at Cleveland Clinic
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