

“I know that I **can and will** continue to **care for my children** because **Providence House** **took the torch** for a while and **gave it back to me to carry on.**”



**Providence House**

Every Child is Your Child.™

EVERY CHILD IS YOUR CHILD

WINTER 2014

“I would recommend Providence House to other families in need.”

“I really appreciate Providence House helping me out. This is a beautiful place. Everyone was really nice and helpful.”

“I feel sincerely blessed that this wonderful, positive program not only helped me but helped my son, too.”

“Providence House taught me great parenting skills, and a better way of understanding my children.”

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# A Note From Natalie:

## Happy Holidays!

Deck the House is fast approaching and we hope to see you at our biggest fundraiser of the year, where hundreds of supporters will celebrate with the Cleveland Browns and Providence House!



We are incredibly honored by the support and recognition we've received during the past year from foundations, businesses, elected officials, media, partner agencies, and thousands of individuals throughout the community.

You have all been our partners in helping to expand our campus, our programs, and the number of children and families we serve.

What a difference it is between now and just three years ago when changes in state building policy forced Providence House to cut the number of children we serve by half. It was only with your incredible support that we successfully expanded our Crisis Nursery to return us to past service levels, and are now on track to help more than 250 children this year - the largest number in our history.

In the excitement of all this momentum, it's easy to forget that Providence House must treat every year like a new beginning and meet the challenge of our annual fundraising goals. Only by meeting these goals can we maintain our current service levels and strive to increase the total number of children we serve. We simply cannot do that without your continued support - each and every year.

And while we're helping more children in our Crisis Nursery, we are also seeing a new population of children in crisis who need our help - children with medical needs. Hospitals have been asking Providence House to help care for children that are ready to be discharged, but do not have a safe, stable home that can help them fully recover. But, we haven't been able to help these children - until now.

The expansion of our Crisis Nursery opened up space in our building across the street to create what we are calling "Elisabeth's House: The Prentiss Wellness Nursery." The building is renovated and ready to serve up to 125 children in crisis who also have medical needs each year. But the beds remain empty until we can raise the funds needed to support its operations.

Combined, a fully funded Crisis Nursery and Wellness Nursery will allow us to serve as many as 400 children in crisis each year. But the number of children that we can serve is directly impacted by the number of contributions that we receive each year.

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gift this season and continuing to remember our babies and children throughout the year... just as we remember you and are ever thankful for your partnership and support.

### Blessings to you and yours from your Providence House PHamily



# Make Your Holiday Gift Matter

Share the true spirit of the holiday

## season

by sending a holiday card to your clients, employees, friends, and family with the message that

you have made a gift in their name to protect a child in crisis at Providence House – can you imagine a better present for the holidays?

Simply send your holiday mailing list and a minimum contribution of \$10 per individual to:

Providence House  
2050 West 32<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Cleveland, OH 44113

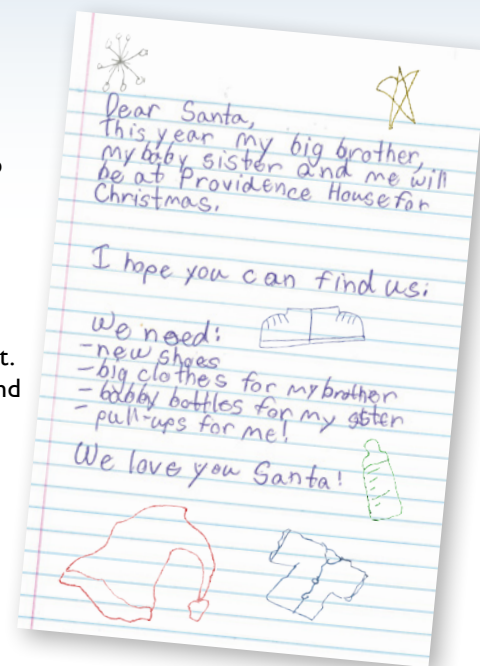
Or make your gift online at [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) and email your list to [Kayla@provhouse.org](mailto:Kayla@provhouse.org)

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

## YOU can be Santa for a child in crisis... host a Holiday Giving Tree!

Letters to Santa from Providence House might surprise you...

This holiday season, help a child in crisis by having your company, school, church or community group host a Holiday Giving Tree to collect items from our Wish List. Go to [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) and download a complete PH Holiday Giving Tree Kit with ornament templates, wish list information, and fundraising tips for your Giving Tree..



# PROVIDENCE HOUSE HOLIDAY WISH LIST



Please consider donating items from our Holiday Wish List this season to help our children throughout the coming year.



## CHILDREN'S MISCELLANEOUS\*

- Baby Bottles With Slow-Flow Or Medium-Flow Nipples (Tomme Tippee brand preferred)
- Boy's and Girl's Pull-ups, sizes 2T/3T and 4T/5T
- Undershirts/Onesies, boys and girls sizes 9-12 months to size 6-8
- Children's Shoes: school shoes and winter boots – toddler size through size 12; youth sizes 13 – 5
- Children's Suitcases
- Children's Deodorant (without aluminum)
- Children's Clothing, size newborn through 12 (especially shorts and pants)

## FORMULA

(Similac Brand or the Target Up & Up only, please)

- Similac Advanced
- Similac Isomil with Iron
- Similac Alimentum
- Similac Sensitive

## GIFT CARDS

Target • Walmart • Giant Eagle • Dave's Supermarket • Office Depot • Staples • Original Mattress Factory • Payless Shoes • Gas Cards



## HOUSEHOLD ITEMS\*

- Medium-sized latex gloves
- Paper towels
- All White Twin Sheet Sets
- All White Fitted Crib Sheets
- Store Bought Twin-size Blankets (neutral solid colors)
- Toddler Utensils (NUBY brand)

## GROCERIES\*

- Pedialyte & Pediasure
- Canned Soup (Chicken Noodle, Tomato, Vegetable)
- Canned Vegetables (Corn, Green Beans, Peas, Carrots)
- Canned Fruits (Peaches, Pears, Pineapple, Fruit Cocktail & Mandarin Oranges)

## MONETARY DONATIONS

Please make checks payable to Providence House or visit [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) to make a gift online

\*View full wish list at [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org)

## SPOTLIGHT ON: A Caring Community

Special thanks and big holiday hugs to our donors, corporate partners, volunteers, foundations, and PHriends! Your generous support has made so many wonderful things happen for our children and our community in 2014. You are all truly a blessing to every child at Providence House.

We are honored to partner with the following companies as they hold fast to their commitment to support the babies and children at Providence House:



The Providence House Annual Corporate Partner Program offers companies an opportunity to achieve their philanthropic goals and support our children and families in crisis while receiving extraordinary marketing benefits and exclusive access to our special events throughout the year – with a single annual gift!

For questions or information about becoming an Annual Providence House Partner, please contact **Emily Perry** at 216-651-5982 x226 or [emilyp@providence.org](mailto:emilyp@providence.org).

Thank you for voting Providence House a **Tier I Agency** again this year in the **Good News Giving** competition, hosted by the Northeast Ohio Media Group. Look for The Plain Dealer story on one of our families this fall, and check for ads and announcements in the spring for our Annual Luncheon and Child Abuse Prevention Month!

## The New Family Center at Providence House

With our goal to develop sustainable, safe, self-sufficient, and nurturing families, we were excited to begin using our new Family Center in July. Located in a renovated wing of the original Providence House building (the other wing will house our Wellness Nursery), the Family Center offers three fully furnished “family rooms” with couches, tables, chairs, and children’s play equipment.

These peaceful, private, and respectful spaces in the Family Center are now being used for private, onsite family visitation, parent education, counseling sessions, and our Aftercare programs. This invaluable addition to our campus adds capacity to our ability to schedule multiple families for visits, observation, parent education, case management, and trauma services.



# Deck the House

It's not too late to get tickets for the best holiday event in Cleveland! Join Providence House, Honorary Chairs Annie and Joe Thomas (#73, Cleveland Browns Offensive Lineman) and Celebrity Auctioneers Jimmy Malone (WMJL 105.7) and Andrea Vecchio for our 19th Annual Deck the House Benefit Auction, presented by the Cleveland Browns.

This year's auction features a ride in the Goodyear blimp, Pit Passes to NASCAR, Box seats for the CAVS, trips to the Caribbean, autographed items by the biggest stars, and a chance to cheer on the Tribe from the Owner's Loge – and hundreds of other amazing packages featuring trips, tickets, toys, treasures, and time-of-your-life experiences.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 9th

**Time:** 5:30-9:30pm

**Location:** FirstEnergy Stadium (*Home of the Cleveland Browns*),  
CityView Lounge

**Tickets:** **Ticket-PLUS** – \$125/ea. (\$70 tax deductible)  
*Includes express check-out, two complimentary drink tickets, special guest gift, and all features included in General Ticket*

**General** – \$50/ea. (\$10 tax-deductible)  
*Includes Live and Silent Auction, holiday themed buffet and dessert, live entertainment and cash bar*

**TO REGISTER:** Visit [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) or call 216-651-5982 ext. 225

# 'TIS THE SEASON

Don't miss the best holiday event in Cleveland!



Visit [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) to register today!

## Save the Date:

Don't miss our **2015 Spring Luncheon For Every Child on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**. Check [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) for ticket information in the New Year.

## FALL EVENT WRAP-UP:

• The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual **pARTy with PHriends** at RED Space was a huge success, raising over \$8,500 for Providence House! Hosted by our PHriends Young Professionals Group, the beer and wine tasting event also showcased art by the children at Providence House. If you missed it this year, be sure to join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual pARTy in 2015.

• For the 14<sup>th</sup> year, the **2<sup>nd</sup> District Police Department, The Friends of 2<sup>nd</sup> District, and the Cleveland Police Foundation** held a "Baby Shower" to collect items from our Wish List. This year's Shower was held at the site of our new Wellness Nursery. Thank you to the residents and officers – current and retired – who participated, Captain Keith Sulzer, BJs Wholesale, and Target for your continued support of Providence House!

• We've been busy this fall speaking to companies and organizations in the community on behalf of **Community Shares** and **United Way**. Does your company have a workplace giving campaign through either of these agencies? If so, we'd love to speak to your group and share with you how you can support them – and many valuable organizations throughout the Greater Cleveland community – through donations, volunteering, and more!



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Follow us on Twitter or  
go to [provhouse.org](http://provhouse.org) to see pictures of our fall events



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## VOLUNTEERS GET IT DONE...IN A DAY!

Looking for a service project for your group or workplace? Want a volunteer project that you can get “Done in a Day?” Consider getting it done at Providence House! Call **216-651-5982 x237** for more information.

### **And our thanks to the following groups for getting it done in a day at Providence House this year!**

- Beachwood High School
- Church of St. John Neumann
- Cisco
- Cleveland Association of School Psychologists
- Cleveland Browns
- Cleveland Clinic
- Cleveland Gladiators
- Cleveland Indians
- Cleveland Job Corp
- CMSD School Psychologists
- CWRU First-Year Students
- Delta Zeta - Baldwin Wallace
- Gesu Church
- Hathaway Brown
- Hyland Software
- IMG
- International Interior Design Association
- KeyBank
- KSU Alternative Spring Break
- Lakewood Rocky River Sunrise Rotary
- Lawrence School
- O'Neill Family Foundation
- PEP
- PNC Grow Up Great
- Shaker Hts. Middle School Teachers
- Sherwin Williams
- SS&G
- St. Joseph Academy Faculty
- St. Mark Church
- Studiothink
- The Cleveland Alumni Club of St. Mary's College
- United Way Young Leaders at Sherwin Williams
- Vitamix
- Washington University in St. Louis - Cleveland Alumni Club