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House News
SUMMER 2026



Exploring Our Community

Summer is filled with adventures for the children at Providence House! Our Team plans exciting field trips to help them grow and learn while having fun.

“Many of the children who stay in our Crisis Nurseries have experienced significant stress, instability, and trauma,” said DeQuinte Anderson, our West Campus Crisis Nursery Manager, **“These experiences help promote healthy social-emotional development, reduce stress, and create positive childhood memories.”**

Field trips also support learning by exposing our kiddos to new environments, people, and activities they may not otherwise be able to access. They can help them build language skills, curiosity, confidence, and social skills through hands-on activities.

Additionally, field trips help our children develop a sense of normalcy and belonging, as many face challenges that can limit their opportunities for exploration and recreation.

“Providing these field trips demonstrates to our children that they are valued and deserving of the same positive experiences as their peers,” said DeQuinte.



OUR CHILDREN'S FAVORITE FIELD TRIPS



1. The Children's Museum of Cleveland
2. Urban Air Trampoline & Adventure Park
3. Kids Empire Indoor Playground
4. Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

Of course, many of our favorite field trips come with a cost, which limits our ability to provide these adventures for our kiddos.

You can support these special experiences for our children by making a gift through the enclosed envelope or online at [**provhouse.org/summer**](https://provhouse.org/summer)

Engaging with Providence House

ATTEND UPCOMING EVENTS



Party with PHriends Browns Tailgate & Watch Party

Sunday, September 13
Great Lakes Brewing Company



Weizer Building 100th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, September 26
Providence House East Campus



Deck the House 31st Annual Benefit Auction

Tuesday, December 8
Providence House East Campus

All event details can be found at provhouse.org/events

VOLUNTEER WITH FRIENDS OR COLLEAGUES



Our Done in a Day projects are great opportunities for your group or company to enjoy time together and make a difference for our children!

During your visit, you will help with projects like sorting donations, organizing inventory for our Crisis Nurseries, or packing Welcome Suitcases for our children, all while learning more about Providence House and our impact!

Learn more & sign up at provhouse.org/volunteer

HOST A FUNDRAISER

Our Fundraising & Volunteer Tool Kit has everything you need to plan a fundraiser for Providence House, from exciting ideas for every age group and interest to step-by-step guides to help you along the way!

Fundraisers are perfect for individuals, families, faith organizations, schools, companies, and more to give back by collecting critical resources we need to keep kids safe and families together!

Explore our Tool Kit at provhouse.org/fundraisers

Fundraiser Spotlight

We were honored as the beneficiary of the **2026 Father's Day Classic Car Show** hosted by the **Ohio Region Classic Car Club of America**, which raised \$4,000 to support our children and families!

In addition to this amazing donation, they provided Providence House with incredible opportunities to raise awareness through pre-event promotions, inviting us to engage with their guests, and arranging a special dinner where Natalie Leek, our President & CEO, spoke about our mission and impact!

Hosting an event? Contact us at info@provhouse.org





Enjoy a Day on the Green “Fore” Our Children

Join the Providence House Board of Directors Monday, August 17, at Barrington Golf Club to raise critical funding to keep kids safe and families together across Northeast Ohio at our 3rd Annual Charity Classic Golf Outing Presented by Exscape Group!

- **PURCHASE A FOURSOME** and enjoy 18 holes, on course beverages, a delicious lunch & dinner
- **SPONSOR THE EVENT** for exciting marketing benefits to prominently highlight your company
- **ATTEND THE DINNER** to network with our supporters and learn about our impact

LEARN MORE & REGISTER AT PROVHOUSE.ORG/CHARITYCLASSIC

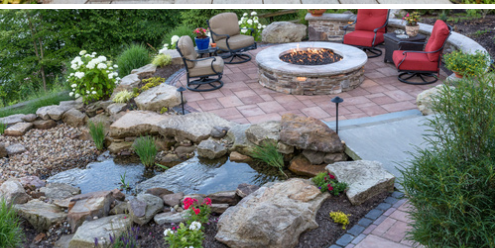
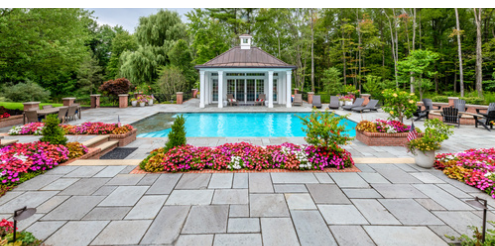
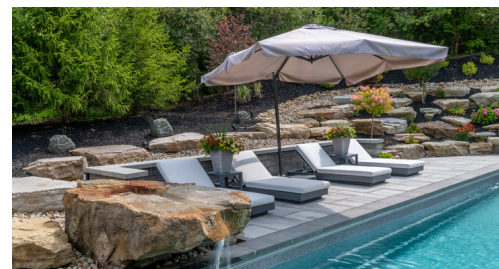
Presenting *Sponsor Spotlight*

What has inspired Exscape Group to provide ongoing support to Providence House as our Charity Classic Presenting Sponsor?

We believe strong communities are built when people step up for one another during life's most challenging moments. That's exactly what Providence House does every day. Your mission aligns closely with our values and our commitment to making a meaningful impact beyond the work we do.

Our partnership goes far beyond sponsorship - it's about investing in hope, stability, and brighter futures for children and families throughout our region.

We are honored to support an organization that provides compassionate care and practical solutions when they're needed most, and we're proud to stand alongside Providence House as you continue changing lives.



What sets Exscape Group apart in the landscape design industry?

Our unwavering commitment to people, relationships, and excellence. We believe exceptional outdoor spaces begin with exceptional teams. By investing in our employees, embracing innovation, and fostering a culture built on accountability and collaboration, we deliver extraordinary experiences for our clients.

Our core values - See It, Own It, Kill It, Back It - guide everything we do. From landscape design and construction to ongoing maintenance, **we focus on creating lasting partnerships and delivering results that exceed expectations.** As we continue to grow across the Midwest, we're committed to enhancing the communities we serve and helping our clients create spaces where people can connect, recharge, and thrive.

Learn more at exscapegroup.com

Success Story *Nicole & Rex*

As single mom, Nicole, prepared for an upcoming surgery, she was facing concerns about her nine-year-old son, Rex's, behavior and challenges at school. While the two shared a strong and loving bond, Nicole needed help to ensure Rex was cared for and supported during her recovery.

Providence House provided a safe, structured, and nurturing environment for Rex during his stay in our Crisis Nursery, allowing Nicole to focus on her health and healing.

During his stay at Providence House, Rex quickly adjusted to the daily routine and built positive relationships with staff and other children. He continued attending his local school each day, ensuring consistency in his education.

Rex also completed a development assessment at Providence House, where he demonstrated delays across physical, cognitive, social-emotional, and communication domains. Our Social Workers connected his mom, Nicole, with resources to obtain an Individualized Education Program (IEP) to help Rex at school, along with referrals to our trusted community partners to address his behavioral needs.

Beyond academics, Rex participated in a variety of enriching activities that supported both his growth and well-being. He engaged in social-emotional learning through the Calm Kids mindfulness program, practiced yoga, and explored his creativity through art, theater, and music programming at Providence House provided by the Beck Center for the Arts.

Thanks to the support of Providence House, Nicole was able to successfully undergo and recover from surgery before welcoming Rex back home, and is receiving ongoing support in our Aftercare Program to help Rex thrive!

See more family success stories at provhouse.org/success

Join Our Providence House PHamily

BECOME A CHILDCARE PROVIDER OR VOLUNTEER!

We are looking for compassionate and committed Childcare Providers and Volunteers to provide loving, trauma-informed care to the babies and children staying in our Crisis Nurseries!

Each Childcare Provider at Providence House cares for a maximum of five children at a time, to focus on establishing bonds with our kiddos, so they feel safe and comfortable throughout their stay.

Childcare Staff are needed on all 3 work shifts and receive paid breaks, paid training, three consecutive days off per week, quarterly Self-Care days, three weeks of PTO, 11 Paid Holidays, and 2 Floating Holidays each year!

Full-time employees are eligible for Health, Dental, and Vision Benefits – Providence House sponsors 100% of Dental, Vision, Disability Insurance, and Life Insurance Coverage and offers other benefits like an IRA with employer match and FSA options.

Childcare Volunteers work alongside our Providers for a minimum of one 3-hour shift each week. They provide support with housekeeping tasks, meal prep, and play and learning activities!

Learn more & apply now at provhouse.org/jobs & provhouse.org/volunteer



A Note From *Natalie*



Summer is in full swing at Providence House as the warm weather kicks off outdoor fun and field trips for our kiddos to safely explore the community.

Our supporters and friends are also hosting gatherings and events, like WTAM and the Cleveland Guardians' Stuff the Truck, to help us with gifts and goods to care for the children staying in our Crisis Nurseries.

Unfortunately, warmer temperatures can also flare tempers, increase violence, and cause safety issues in the community... and on our campus.

While the nation celebrated its 250th anniversary over the July 4 weekend, our children and staff were caught in the crossfire of violent incidents during street takeovers around our East Campus.

We are profoundly grateful that our children and staff are safe despite multiple incidents of large crowds, violence, and gunfire in the streets next to our East Campus Crisis Nursery.

Some of the gunfire hit our Crisis Nursery building, resulting in damage to our windows as well as interior and exterior walls. Our security fences were also damaged as people fled and entered our campus playground and parking areas to find safety.

Thanks to an immediate and heroic response from our overnight Childcare Team and Social Workers who quickly put our safety protocols into action, the children were safe and unaware of the issues.

Their families were immediately notified and expressed deep appreciation for our team's efforts to keep their children safe.

These incidents further demonstrate the importance of our presence and investment in the underserved Buckeye-Shaker Neighborhood. We are a beacon of hope and safety for children and families in crisis living throughout Cleveland's east side neighborhoods. This community needs us to offer these vulnerable families the support they need to build a safe and successful future.

With your help, Providence House has kept more than 20,000 children and families safe for the past 45 years. Please consider making a gift to help us continue keeping them safe.

Thank you for your support as we repair and recover from these traumatic acts of community violence and continue our mission to provide safety and loving care for the babies and children who need us, and you, the most.



A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Natalie".

Natalie A. Leek, President & CEO



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