

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

# Leading the way to 100% equity, inclusion, and access







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# **NOTE FROM OUR CEO**



In the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the COVID-19 pandemic, Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio faced continued adversity from the effects the virus has had on our society. But through it all, we overcame. Drawing inspiration from the 17,000+ individuals we served, we were able to push through and continue our great services and thrive in their communities.

Our staff has gone above and beyond this past year to serve our clients in the numerous programs we offer. We increased our clientele reach by over 20% from 2020 to 2021. We also introduced a great new event, Bourbon & BBQ, that was such a success we are bringing it back for 2022. The successes we achieved through another hard year are a testament to the strength and hard work of our people – staff, clients, donors, and volunteers.

But even as we start to get back to normal again, we still need your help and support to continue our life-changing services. Your support helps to assure that Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio can continue to serve individuals and their families living with disabilities in our community. Together, we can help change lives for the better.

With warm regards,

Pandora Shaw-Dupras, CEO

# **NOTE FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT**



Following such an unprecedented year like 2020 brought more questions than it answered going into 2021. The COVID-19 pandemic left many people scared for the future, for the unknown. While 2020 was a success for us, even despite everything, there was still a very bleak view on the future of the world. Many businesses and other non-profits weren't as lucky to make it through.

But things could not have been better. We increased our clientele reach to over 17,000 individuals that we were able to serve. That's an increase of over 20% from 2020. We not only bounced back, we grew to heights we haven't seen before. I could not be prouder of the work the team at Easterseals Central & Southeast Ohio has done. Their creativity and resilience drove these positive benchmarks.

I'd like to thank each and every staff member, client, donor, and volunteer for their amazing support and continued dedication. After two long and unnerving years, we are starting to see the other side. And it's because of all your unwavering support that we were able to come out on the other side even better, ready to continue the exceptional work Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio will do for communities and participants in the coming year.

With the utmost appreciation,

Trisha Krejci, Board President



# MISSION

Easterseals' purpose is to change the way the world defines and views disability by making profound, positive differences in people's lives every day.

We provide exceptional services, education, outreach, and advocacy so that people living with disabilities can live, learn, work, and play in our communities.

Our goal is to lead the way to 100% equity, inclusion, and access for people with disabilities, families and communities.

Easterseals offers a variety of services to help people address challenges and achieve personal milestones throughout their lives.

# VISION

Easterseals' vision is to be recognized as the organization that changes lives and transforms the communities we serve.

We want to empower people to live their best lives. We want to engage all members through compassion, knowledge and quality service.

We aim to give all people a chance to reach their full potential and live a truly inclusive life without limitations.

We strive to be at the forefront to full equity, inclusion, and access for people with disabilities, families, and communities.

All abilities. Limitless possibilities.



# **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

SERVICE	2021	17000 Olionto
Early Childhood Education	74	17,002 Clients
Summer Program	42	-
After School	35	Served in 2021
In-Home Services	32	
Adult Day Services	63	M. T
Information & Referral	121	
Transportation	17	
Dolly Parton Imagination Library	10,646	
Ombudsman	5,811	
Recreation	0	
Vocational	0	
Discovery Garden	161	
TOTAL CLIENTS SERVED	<mark>17,002</mark>	

### WE PROVIDE ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR EVERY STAGE OF LIFE

## **REVENUE AND EXPENSE**

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2020 REVENUE		
Program Services	2,705,764	
Contributions	594,171	
Grants & Contracts	1,619,375	
Investment Gain (Loss)	162,044	
Other	204,652	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 5,286,006</b>	
2020 EXPENSE		
Program Services	4,393,077	
Management/General	522,365	
Fundraising	171,756	
Total Functional Expense	5,087,198	
Pension & Other	54,918	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 5,142,116</b>	

2021 REVENUE		
Program Services	2,319,541	
Contributions	506,993	
Grants & Contracts	4,671,094	
Investment Gain (Loss)	376,929	
Other	1,078,321	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 8,952,878	
2021 EXPENSE		
Program Services	4,377,139	
Management/General	412,861	
Fundraising	163,669	
Total Functional Expense	4,953,669	
Pension & Other	57,363	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 5,011,032	

### Comparison of 2020 & 2021 Financials



## **PROGRAM SURVEY RESULTS**



Overall Satisfaction out of 5

100% of our clients who responded to the survey said they <u>WOULD</u> recommend Easterseals to their family and friends.



### EARLY INTERVENTION & "OUT OF SCHOOL" YOUTH PROGRAM

### **EARLY INTERVENTION**

Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio provides help to young children with or at risk for developmental delays. We help children with disabilities achieve their goals in cognitive, social/emotional, communicative, adaptive, and physical development.

Easterseals is a center-based early intervention program with access to group-oriented, facilitybased curricula for children 12 to 36 months of age. Our Early Intervention program focuses on a child's needs early on in their development at their individual level of ability, giving them the head start they need to keep up with their peers.

An individualized plan is developed for each child and their family, outlining goals to be focused on with their team. Classroom size is limited to eight children with one certified early intervention specialist and teacher's assistant per classroom. Students work with trained physical, occupational, speech, and music therapists.







### **Out-of-School Youth Program Quick Facts:**

- IT'S FREE! Thanks to the Franklin County Commissioners, there is no tuition cost to families, and priority is given to Essential Workers and to those who qualify for TANF benefits (SNAP, cash assistance, etc.)
- □ Nutritious lunch & snacks are provided daily, at no cost
- □ Participants must be in Kindergarten to 4th grade to attend
- Bussing will be provided to and from Finland Elementary each day for children of families living within a 3-4 mile radius from the school
- □ Low student to staff ratios, 2:8 Staff/Student





# **DISCOVERY GARDEN/CHANCE TO DANCE/OGIL**

### **CHANCE TO DANCE**

The mission of Chance to Dance is to make sure the students appreciate the art of movement through rhythmic ability and to use various music as well as imaginative play. We strive for our students to enjoy the class and develop a love for dance. These dance classes provide the opportunity for kids with disabilities a CHANCE to DANCE.

In-Person and virtual classes are offered completely FREE to families. During the in-person classes, we provide the costumes, shoes, props, supplies, and music. For the virtual classes, we use items that anyone can find around their home. In keeping with the tradition of dance studios, we have two recitals a year (winter and spring). Chance to Dance also gets invited to participate in several community functions throughout the year.



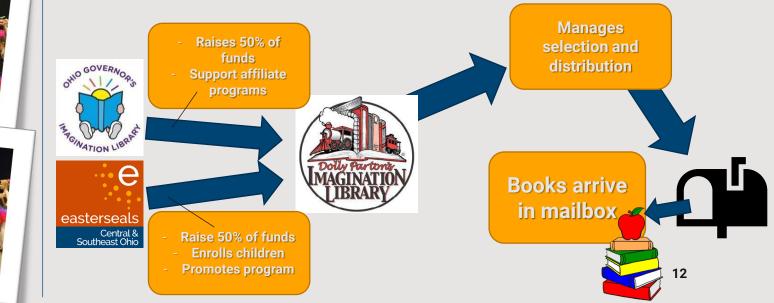
### **DISCOVERY GARDEN**

Our Discovery Garden program offers weekly gatherings that engage children in age-appropriate activities in-line with their ages & stages. It also offers support to parents seeking advice on how to best care for their families.



### **OHIO GOVERNOR'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY**

Program goal: To support the literacy development of every child by providing a book per month from birth to age 5 **FOR FREE**. There are 10,646 kids currently in the program. (double-check #)



### LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN & ADULT DAY SERVICES

### LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN

Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio is the official Ohio State Long-Term Care Ombudsman sponsoring agency for Region 6 and Region 8. The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program advocates for excellence in long-term services and supports wherever consumers live.

Ombudsman staff and volunteers focus their time on educating consumers about long-term care services and support empowering them to know their rights and to voice their concerns.

Our Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program covers the following 16 counties:

<u>Region 6</u>	Region 8
Delaware	Athens
Fairfield	Hocking
Fayette	Meigs
Franklin	Monroe
Licking	Morgan
Madison	Noble
Union	Perry
Pickaway	Washington

614-345-9198 or 1-800-536-5891

**Region 6 Phone:** 

**Confidential fax:** 614-443-1848

**Region 8 Phone:** 740-373-6400 or 1-888-502-6601

**Confidential fax:** 740-414-4488



### ADULT DAY SERVICES

Easterseals offers adults with disabilities the opportunity to live, learn, work and play as a vital member of their own community. We provide therapeutic programming, life skills training, and the support necessary to remain actively engaged within our communities.

Our clients have the opportunity to regularly interact with people of all ages and ability levels through regular activities and events.



# HOW YOU CAN HELP

### DONATE:

Online - <u>www.eastersealscentralohio.org</u> Over the Phone - 614.228.5523 Mail a Check - 3830 Trueman Court, Hilliard, OH 43026

### AMAZON:

Shop through Amazon Smile and designate Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio as your Smile Charity

### KROGER:

Register your Kroger Plus Card in the **Community Rewards program** in support of Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio, using code **IT723** 

### **ASK ABOUT:**

-- DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS --- STOCK DONATIONS --- WORKPLACE GIVING PROGRAMS -

### VOLUNTEER

Contact Paul Roth at proth@easterseals-cseohio.org to learn more about our available opportunities.

Follow us on Social Media to stay up to date on all of our upcoming events for volunteer opportunities.

Look for us on volunteer recruitment sites: SignUpGenius.com VolunteerMatch.com

### ATTEND ONE OF OUR EVENTS

**Bourbon & BBQ:** Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at The Farm at Harvest Hills in Delaware

**Clays for a Cause:** Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at Cardinal Shooting Center in Marengo

**The Original Chase Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot:** Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at the Shops on Lane Avenue

Visit eastersealscentralohio.org for more info and to purchase your tickets!





# **OUR LOCATIONS**

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**Franklin County** 3830 Trueman Court Hilliard, Ohio 43026 Monday—Friday 8 a.m.—5 p.m. T: 614.228.5523 F: 614.228.8249

#### Scioto County

3858 Route 23 Portsmouth, Ohio 45662 Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.— 3:30 p.m. T: 740-716-7295 F: 740-716-7296

### Central & Southeast Ohio

**Ross County** 1855 Western Avenue

Chillicothe, Ohio 45601 Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. T: 740.773.1273 F: 740.773.0936

#### Lawrence County

97 Private Road 80 South Point, Ohio 45680 Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. T: 740.894.7560 F: 740.894.3541

### LIVE

Hands-on, comprehensive, vital programs and support to help people reach their full potential, regardless of age, challenges, needs, or disabilities.

### LEARN

Programs designed to help children and adults learn basic functions and master skills needed to develop and thrive and be sharp and active. **WORK** 

We help develop the skills necessary to help people prepare for the workforce. **PLAY** 

Easterseals offers fun, healthy, programs for children, adults and caregivers to relax, connect with friends and engage in constructive activities, all necessary to living the best life possible.

#### ACT

Our vibrant community of friends and supporters stands with those who face challenges by volunteering, advocating, donating and participating in events that inspire us and sustain our cause.

### www.eastersealscentralohio.org