



IMPACT ON CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST OHIO

Winter 2017

Lawrence County Adult Day Center Opens ESCSEO Partners with Lawrence County

In partnership with the Lawrence County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio has opened an Adult Day Activity Center in Ironton, Ohio.

Greater Impact in Southeastern Ohio

Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio is proud to partner with the South Point community to provide Adult Day services to 45 individuals currently enrolled in the program. In collaboration with Lawrence County Board of Developmental Disabilities, we plan to increase our impact by expanding our services to provide vocational and residential services later in 2017.

The Adult Day program will be housed in a 14,000 square foot program space that will welcome individuals with disabilities and their families each day. The building is equipped with a cafeteria, arts and crafts room, offices, basketball court, and much more.

Pandora Shaw-Dupras, Chief Executive Officer of Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio, says, "We are proud to partner with the Ironton community and provide this much needed service to adults with disabilities in Lawrence County."

The Adult Day program opened its doors on January 4, 2017 under the Easterseals brand and management. We invite the community to an Open House on March 7, from 2- 6pm, to tour the updated space, meet the team, and enjoy refreshments.

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We are looking forward to being a part of the community and making a greater impact in Lawrence County.



Timmy enjoying a sensory activity in the arts and crafts room.

Chase Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot

Record turn-out in support of Easterseals Early Intervention

Columbus based race company and Easterseals corporate partner, Ultrafit-USA, put on another great Turkey Trot benefitting the Early Intervention program at Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio. With a record turn-out of 7,500 participants, the event raised \$40,000 for the Early Intervention program in Hilliard, Ohio.

Community Partners

Ultrafit has been an Easterseals' community partner for seven years. The partnership formed in 2009 when the owner of Ultrafit, Jeff Sheard, had a family member diagnosed with autism.

Knowing first-hand the challenges that families face, Sheard wanted to do something to give back to the community. Sheard chose the Turkey Trot, which he began in 1991, to benefit Easterseals' Early Intervention program. This program provides education and therapy to children with disabilities, including autism.

Since then, Ultrafit has generously donated over \$250,000 to Easterseals through the annual Turkey Trot and bag stuffing for other races throughout the year. This funding is used to support our Early Intervention program which focuses on early childhood development to ensure children reach



Each participant received a Whole Foods pumpkin pie.

important developmental milestones and receive the support they need to succeed. The Turkey Trot is held on Thanksgiving morning on Lane Avenue in Upper Arlington.

Learn more at www.ColumbusTurkeyTrot.com



Just a couple of turkeys ready for the Turkey Trot!

Turkey Trot benefits our Early Intervention program which gives children access to pediatric therapy and education vital to their overall success.

Vocational Services Program Employs Adults with Disabilities

Individuals Begin Work at CardinalHealth

In 2016, Easterseals Central and Southeast Ohio proudly began employing adults through our vocational services program. This vital program is a person centered vocational services program that allows us to meet individuals wherever they may be in their job search, and help them secure the tools necessary to introduce them successfully into the workforce. Our vocational services program partners with local businesses to allow a variety of internships, mentoring experiences and employment opportunities.

CardinalHealth Partnership

Looking to meet their demand for employees, CardinalHealth partnered with our success center in 2016 and has successfully employed individuals through our program. These new employees started

working the weekend shift part time in September 2016 which makes them eligible for company benefits. They now work at the CardinalHealth warehouse facility in Groveport assisting with filling medication orders that go out all over the United States to hospitals, doctor's offices, and pharmacies. The weekend staff at CardinalHealth have been great in making these individuals feel welcome and part of a team oriented workforce.

Candace Knight, Easterseals Vocational Services Manager, says, "What has been great about working with CardinalHealth is their willingness to try something new, share information, ask questions and truly work as a team."

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Easterseals is now providing Vocational Services in Ross County and will roll out services in 2017 in Franklin, Knox, and Lawrence Counties. By focusing on each person's strengths we allow them to lead the way to meaningful employment and a successful future.



Romancing the Grape

Ohio's Premier Food and Wine Tasting

Join us Saturday, April 29th, 2017 for an evening of fine wines, culinary delights from Columbus' finest restaurants, silent auction, and entertainment. Sip on wine and enjoy a view of the Ohio State Buckeye football field from the exclusive Huntington Club of Ohio Stadium.

Purchase tickets at www.RomancingTheGrape.org

Ways to Make an Impact

Ways to get involved and show your support

Ways to Give

Donate: make a contribution online, over the phone, or mail us a check:

Attn: Development Department
3830 Trueman Ct.
Hilliard, OH 43026.

Item Donations: Donate your unwanted clothing and household items at one of our drop-off locations in Hilliard, Lewis Center, and Upper Arlington. Visit our website for exact locations.

Shop at Kroger: Register your Kroger Plus Card in the Community Rewards program in support of Easterseals. Our ID is 80979.

www.krogercommunityrewards.com

Shop on Amazon: Shop on Amazon.com and designate Easterseals as your Amazon Smile charity.

Volunteer

At an event:

Romancing the Grape – assist with set-up, silent auction, and wine pouring.

Clays for a Cause – assist with registration, raffle, and set-up.

Bag Stuffing: Help us stuff race goody bags throughout the year for Ultrafit-USA races.

Office: Assist with mass mailings, filing, etc.

Join us at an Event

Romancing the Grape – April 29, 2017

Enjoy fine wines and culinary delights from Columbus' finest restaurants in the exclusive Huntington Club of Ohio Stadium.

Clays for a Cause – September 29, 2017

Take aim at our 3rd annual Clays for a Cause at Cardinal Shooting Center in Marengo, Ohio.

Turkey Trot – November 23, 2017

Join us Thanksgiving morning for a 5 mile run or 2 mile walk through Ohio State campus and Upper Arlington.



Jump right in and volunteer with us!

Easterseals changes the way the world defines and views disability by making profound, positive differences in people's lives everyday.

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