



Young Girls Cottage

MONTHLY UPDATE

Christian Children's Home of Ohio

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Opening

The holidays are often described as the “most wonderful time of the year”. For the kids on the CCHO campus, this is not typically the case. The holidays can be very difficult for the kids here. First, the holidays can remind them of their families, and specifically the fact that they are separated from them. Another reason is that the holidays were often very good memories for them. Their past may be full of hurt and heartache, but the holidays were often good, and it hurts to think of spending them away from the ones they love and miss so much.

However, our campus pastor, Tim Hartzler, shared that he has heard many kids express how they experienced their best holiday here at CCHO because they were safe and loved! The entire campus celebrated Thanksgiving with a traditional Thanksgiving meal and even did their own Thanksgiving Parade!



Mari and **Andrea** were discharged from our care. Mari went to a foster home (the first family she will ever be with who has not abused her) and Andrea went back to her adoptive family. We will continue to pray for the very best for them. We are so grateful to have the opportunity to show the love of Christ in their life. We are also grateful for our donors like you who helped make healing possible for these girls.

We welcomed **Naomi** to our cottage!

New Residents

Naomi has been hospitalized three times this year for self-harm and suicide ideation. Both of her parents have mental illness and struggle with substance use. Naomi was removed from the home due to abuse and neglect. She struggles with nightmares and feeling safe at night. We pray for connection between Naomi and staff members. Pray for true healing to happen from her trauma so she can see her true worth in Christ.

Prayer and Praise

- Pray for Naomi as she transitions into campus life. Pray her social anxiety would lessen as she interacts with her peers.
- Connie has some potential foster homes that have been identified. Pray that one of them will be a good fit.
- Praise: We are so proud of Connie who used to struggle meeting with case workers. She used to run around, yell at them to leave and not follow directions. She has been able to calm down lately and build relationships with her case workers. She was able to sit and do a whole craft with them the other day! She feels safe and secure enough with staff to trust that they are just visiting.



News

The young girls participated in the Thanksgiving Parade and thanks to Lowes allowing us to borrow their shopping carts, the girls made an adorable Thanksgiving Float. The girls also enjoyed going swimming at the YMCA, bowling and mini golf!