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White Cane Walk 2021 Raises over $56,900!

-Cleveland Sight Center’s 16th Annual White Cane Walk, held in a virtual format for the second consecutive year on Saturday, June 5th, has raised $56,909 as of Thursday! On behalf of our clients, staff and board members, we thank you for your participation and generous support, which allows us to provide clients the necessary tools, programs and services needed to thrive in a world that is designed for people who are sighted. Thanks for your continued support of CSC!

Board Member Karen P. Assink in her White Cane Walk t-shirt as she walks to support the “Friends of Obie Raising Cane” team and “Mischievous Maverick” team. Two smiling young fellas in their White Cane Walk t-shirts with their dog.
**Visionaries and Platform Beer Co. Partner for Event on June 28th!**

-The Visionaries, a group of young professionals engaged in supporting the mission of Cleveland Sight Center, will host a virtual beer tasting with Platform Beer Co. on Monday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m.! We invite you to join us to elevate your knowledge of craft beer and learn about the tasting profile of each beer, its best pairing and how it is brewed. Also learn more about the exciting happenings of the Leisure & Lifestyle Services (LLS) department at CSC. Details and registration are available here: https://www.clevelandsightcenter.org/content/visionaries-beer-tasting-event. Proceeds from the event and all additional donations will support LLS programs. For more information about the event, contact Haley Marblestone (x4565).

**Strengthening Partnerships and Educating the Community:**

-Board Member Sara Parish, who lives in a suburb of Columbus, visited CSC this week and was joined by her a cousin and friend to learn more about the agency. The group toured with agency with Marcia Houston. Sara also brought in a donation of fabric and rope that will be used to make custom bags for staff members in Children & Young Adult Services that will hold play frames, which are pieces of white PVC piping used to create engaging play structures for young clients at home. A group of CSC volunteers are already lined up to begin crafting these bags. CSC is extremely fortunate to have board members and volunteers willing to support the agency in so many ways!

A play frame made of PVC pipe with yellow stuffed animals and other tactile objects hanging from the crossbar of the frame
A bag containing white rope and donated fabric in colors red, green and blue
Board Member Sara Parish listens as Laurie Zebrasky describes a play frame, as Larry Benders checks out the fabric donation
- The Outreach team met with the Research Community Outreach Coordinator Gelise Thomas from University Hospitals Clinical Research Center to give her a tour of our agency. Ms. Thomas expressed great interest in CSC’s programs and services and is looking forward to future collaboration.

- Leisure & Lifestyle Services Manager Bobbie Szabo and Community Relations Specialist Alicia Howerton presented to the Geauga West Rotary Club meeting earlier this week, offering an in-person and virtual option to club members. Their presentation covered CSC programs and services and highlighted Highbrook Lodge. The Rotarians continued to engage Bobbie and Alicia after the presentation ended with many questions about the agency.

**Cleveland Sight Center Operations Update:**

- Cleveland Sight Center continues to be open for services, offering in-person and remote services as available. Please contact your service manager/provider for any protocols specific to your appointment, service or program by calling 216-791-8118.

**Items of Note:**

- Check out the new features associated with Apple’s iOS 15. To read more, click here: https://www.apple.com/ios/ios-15-preview/features/

- Beginning June 13, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA) will implement changes in bus routes according to the 2019 System Redesign Study by Jarret Walker + Associates. The name of the bus system redesign is NEXT GEN RTA. The system redesign reflects the priorities of the community to add more frequent bus service but to continue serving all areas where RTA currently provides service. To view interactive maps and new NEXT GEN RTA bus schedules, visit RTA's website: http://www.riderta.com/nextgen. NEXT GEN RTA does not include changes to RTA's Red Line or HealthLine service.

- As part of the NextGen RTA changes coming in June, all bus fares for all riders will be waived June 13th – 19th.

- The weekly “In The Know” will not publish next week and will resume on Friday, June 25th.

**Did You Know:**

- Did you know that Hawaiian pizza is actually Canadian? The pineapple-ham topping combination for pizza was invented in Ontario, Canada in 1962.