

## Keeping you "In the Know..." 12/23/16 (early edition)

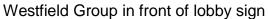
## Wishing You the Happiest of Holidays and a Terrific New Year!

 Happy Holidays to all CSC staff, Board Trustees, volunteers, clients and friends! As we reflect on the past year, we are thankful to all who have worked side by side or served our agency in some capacity. Thank you for your support and dedication; warmest wishes for a joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year!

# Creating Awareness and Strengthening Partnerships for CSC:

• A group of 10 from the Human Resources team at Westfield Group spent the morning of Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at CSC where they participated in a service learning project. The group began the day with an introduction to the agency and the "Blindness Basics" program conducted by Lisa Cellura. From there, they completed a variety of tasks including caulking, painting and steam cleaning, sanitizing toys and materials in Bright Futures Preschool and organizing the CCTV storage area in the lower level of the main building. Westfield Insurance has been a great partner to CSC the last few years, supported by Board Trustee Erin Ploucha, engaging with the Employment Services team and hosting the CSC Golf Classic in the summer.







Volunteers clean equipment in CCTV room

 Friend of CSC John Emerman from Stone Oven Artisan Bakery and Restaurant stopped by CSC last week to visit with Bright Futures Preschool. John talked about how bread is made and his job at the bakery and brought in large pans of dough, salt and flour for the students to handle.



John talks about the bread-making process



A preschooler touches a batch of dough

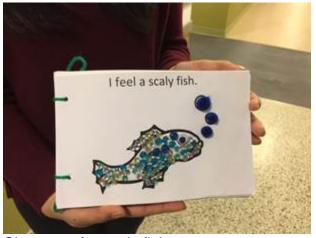
 Students in the Case for Sight service group at Case Western Reserve University made tactile books and presented them to Sylvia Snyder and the Bright Futures Preschool classroom this week.



Sylvia Snyder with Case for Sight students



Close up of a fluffy sheep



Close up of a scaly fish

 Can't make it to the Eyedea Shop at CSC? Then check out the product offerings online at <a href="www.eyedeashop.com">www.eyedeashop.com</a> and purchase items from the comfort of wherever you may be!

#### Items of Note:

- The weekly "In The Know" will resume the week of January 6<sup>th</sup>. Happy holidays and here's to a prosperous 2017!
- Starting January 3rd, CSC will be hosting "Viva Dance Class!" The class will be taught by a guest instructor from Viva Dance Studio, and it's open to all clients and staff for \$5. The instructor will teach a variety of the most popular Latin dances from Merengue to Bachata to Salsa.

Intro to Latin dance is the title of this 4 week program. It will consist of teaching students how to transfer weight from foot to foot, dancing to the music as well as dancing with a partner! Join us! Questions? Contact Mollie Evans.

- For all you online shoppers, remember CSC is a participating charity of <u>AmazonSmile</u>, where online retailer <u>Amazon</u> donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to charitable organizations selected by the customer. CSC is listed as <u>Cleveland Society For The Blind</u> by AmazonSmile. Visit the <u>website here</u> and pass along to family and friends to select Cleveland Society For The Blind as the recipient of a donation on your next AmazonSmile purchase!
- The Society for HR Management posted an article on how new assistive technology devices can aid people with disabilities. <u>Click here</u> for the full article.

### Did You Know?

 Of all the words in the English language, the word "set" has the most definitions. The word "run" comes in close second.

A "jiffy" is the scientific name for 1/100th of a second.

Earth is the only planet that is not named after a god.

You are born with 300 bones, but by the time you are an adult you only have 206.

One fourth of the bones in your body are located in your feet.

Blueberries will not ripen until they are picked.

Honey never spoils.

Coca-Cola would be green if coloring wasn't added to it.

The average person walks the equivalent of three times around the world in a lifetime.

 $111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321$ 

If you started with \$0.01 and doubled your money every day, it would take 27 days to become a millionaire.

The founders of Google were willing to sell Google for \$1 million to

Excite in 1999, but Excite turned them down. Google is now worth \$527 Billion.