

Happy Holidays!

Dear Friends,

Together, we can give the gift of possibilities!

In January, GiGi's Playhouse Cleveland will celebrate our 8th birthday. Because of supporters like you, we have 8 years of celebrating hard-earned milestones, 8 years of building a strong community for individuals with Down syndrome, and we're closing in on 2,920 days filled with Best of All moments! The stories of **change** and **transformation**, made possible by your contributions, are a testament to the power of **collective action**.

For almost 8 years, we have been providing **free, life-changing** therapeutic-based and educational programs for individuals with Down syndrome and their families. Our hope is to reach even more families in the next 8 years. But to do that, we need your help so we can continue changing lives in Northeast Ohio. Let's make dreams come true!



*"When GiGi's opened almost 8 years ago, one of my greatest hopes was that it would provide a space to build a **sense of community** among individuals with Down syndrome and their families. Over the years with GiGi's we have seen our son, Ryan, journey through several stages of life from elementary school to high school graduation and now post-secondary education and the workforce. The opportunities provided by GiGi's to encourage Ryan to learn, **be a leader** and grow in his **independence**, while offering me the opportunities to **connect with other families** throughout these stages, have been **invaluable** to our family."*

- Megan Lodge, Founding Board Member and Ryan's Mom

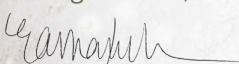
In 2023, GiGi's Playhouse Cleveland has:

- Provided free research driven, purposeful programming to more than 570 families and increased program participation hours by 75% since 2022!
- Continued our official part of resident rotation schedules with University Hospitals and Cleveland Clinic
- Logged more than 5,400 committed volunteer hours
- Presented multiple sessions at the National Leadership Conference
- Received the Core Value Champion "Get It Done" Award for leadership in program execution, volunteer management, and operational best practices and the Standards of Execution Champion Award, recording the highest marks across our network-wide Standards of Execution

Gifts from supporters like you enable us to continue delivering our signature programs FREE - as well as adding new programs and opportunities for people of all ages with Down syndrome. From pre-birth through adulthood, GiGi's Playhouse Cleveland is here for people with Down syndrome and their families.

DONATE TODAY to give the gift of possibilities.

With gratitude,



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