

# Easterseals of the Birmingham Area

Newsletter: where we are this year so far!

## **JANUARY**

We kicked off the year with SoHo Social hosting a giveback night for us! SoHo Social donated 10% of all sales on January 18th to us. The money raised from SoHo Social went directly to support our mission here at Easterseals of the Birmingham Area. We are so thankful and encourage everyone to continue supporting SoHo Social!



Also, our Teen Transition Program visited Homewood Publix for a Workplace Tour in January. Austin, the Customer Service Manager, hosted the tour, which was extremely informational. Our Transition Program learned about the different departments, apprenticeship opportunities, and how to apply for a position!

# **FEBRUARY**

Mardi Gras on the Mountain 2022 was a tremendous success! We were excited to see many guests back and ready to celebrate with us again! The dance floor was busy all night with the band OPOV on stage.

We want to thank all our sponsors who made this event possible, along with our Event Committee and Board Members. Thank you to Tito's Handmade Vodka for providing our signature cocktail, The Carnival Cocktail. Also, thank you to Diamonds Direct presenting sponsor of our Silent Auction, who showcased a beautiful diamond tennis bracelet. Lastly, who could forget the beautiful flower arrangements by Dorothy McDaniel. We always enjoy celebrating Mardi Gras on the Mountain



with everyone!







#### **MARCH**

We are excited to brag about Derrick and his new job he started in March at the Ronald McDonald House as a Family Care Specialist! Derrick is one of the first faces people see at Ronald McDonald House, and he makes sure families get the necessary care they need from the services available.

We have been able to get to know Derrick for several years now as a summer high school intern and a consumer taking part in our Adult Program, and he continues to make us proud! His passion for helping others and his love of music showcase his dedication to anything he sets out to do.

## **APRIL**

April was a big month for one of our sweet kiddos, pictured on the right. Davis got his very own AAC device (Augmentative and Alternative Communication device) with the help of his Speech Therapist, Mrs. Kelsey. When asked how he felt, he replied "happy" on his AAC device!



"Take me out to the ball game ..." our team was able to enjoy each other outside the office and clinic at the Birmingham Barons game! We work hard together, and it was nice to enjoy a night out together!





## **MAY**

Back by popular demand, the ESBA Golf Tournament at Highland Park Golf Course was another great hit this year! Thank you to Tito's, who supplied the Transfusion cocktails, and Cahaba Brewing, who donated the beer. All golfers stayed hydrated with the wonderful donation of drinks and water from Buffalo Rock and The Piggly Wiggly! One lucky guest won a pair of diamond earrings from Diamonds Direct, while others won a Tito's Callaway Odyssey Putter and a club fitting from Pebblehurst. It was a beautiful day on the golf course!







#### JUNE

We are excited to announce the grants we have received this year! We are very thankful to the many organizations here in Birmingham who have generously chosen to donate to our mission. The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham, EBSCO, and Easterseals National Matching Grant: MacKenzie Scott financially contributed to our Spanish Translation program. We believe all families deserve the opportunity to hear from our Pediatric Therapist about their child's progress and challenging conversations in their native language. The Quarterbacking Children's Health Foundation has willingly taken ESBA as a supporting nonprofit. Also, a private donation has been so kind to donate items needed to update

our Sensory Room at our Pediatric Clinic, while a Board Member, Brandon Phillips, donated financially to kickstart our Sensory Room renovation. We are so thankful for the generous support we have received this year and look forward to sharing more with you about how these donations impact Easterseals of the Birmingham Area!

Want to be a part of our Sensory Room renovations? You can support us by clicking the link below to donate. We appreciate your support of our mission!

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