



REC2CONNECT FOUNDATION Connection

Summer 2018

Annual Campaign Kicks Off Summer 2018

Rec2Connect Foundation has provided over \$13,500 in scholarships to 37 families. We have hosted free annual pool parties, taken over 400 individuals to Cleveland Indians games, and family events at Playhouse Square. New "Try-It" Events have been added to introduce individuals to recreation options in the Greater Cleveland area. These activities include karate, adapted aquatics and music therapy. Please consider donating to our foundation online at: www.rec2connectfoundation.org/donations.

Laurie Silver

President, Rec2Connect Foundation

Scholarships

Rec2Connect Foundation selected nine individuals to receive scholarships for recreational programming totalling \$5,000 in the first cycle of applications.

Rec2Connect Foundation would also like to thank Sky-Zone in Westlake, OH for partnering up with Rec2Connect Foundation.

The second period deadline is August 31st. The application is found at: www.rec2connectfoundation.org/scholarships.



"My daughter is a social and adventurous child with mild-to-moderate physical disabilities-disabled enough that other kids don't relate to her easily...your scholarship for a full week of camp made a huge difference to her and our family."-Tom B.



Try-It Events

Rec2Connect Foundation partnered with Beyond Words and Rec2Connect to offer individuals with special needs an opportunity to try something new.

Beyond Words hosted mini music and theatre therapy classes for children aged 1-10. For more information on Beyond Words, please visit: www.beyondwordscenter.org.

Rec2Connect hosted adapted aquatic classes for individuals with special needs aged 1-adult. The classes ranged from Parent & Me, Razor Sharks Swim Team, Adapted Aquatic Therapy, and Aquatic Group Exercise. For more information on Rec2Connect, please visit: www.rec2connect.com.

Stay tuned for upcoming Try-It fall events!

Family Events

Rec2Connect Foundation would like to thank the Gemini Center in Fairview Park for hosting our winter pool party! Over 175 individuals swam, ate pizza, splashed in the play area and made memories.

The generosity of Playhouse Square allowed families to attend a sensory friendly performance of Guess How Much I love you on April 15th.

On Sunday, May 27th Rec2Connect Foundation partnered with the Cleveland Indians and SportsTime Ohio to host over 200 individuals at Progressive Field to cheer on the Indians over the Astros. We thank the Cleveland Indians and SportsTime Ohio for their generosity.

Sunday, August 26th, The Akron Rubberducks are hosting a FREE day at the ballpark. Tickets can be found at: <https://groupmatics.events/event/Rec2connect2018>

Grants

Rec2Connect Foundation is pleased to announce it has received an \$8,000 grant from the Rita and Raymond Foes Family Foundation. The Foes Family Foundation grant will be used towards family pool parties. More information on the Foes Family Foundation can be found at: www.foosfoundation.com.

Rec2Connect Foundation is pleased to announce it has received a \$5,000 grant from The William Neckerman Charitable Foundation. The grant will be used towards recreational scholarship funding. The William Neckerman Charitable Foundation was founded in 2013 and is active in the Akron, Greater Cleveland and Youngstown area.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 26th- Family Event Rubberducks Game 1:05pm

Saturday, November 10th-Barley House Celebrity Bartending Fundraiser



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