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Cooper couldn't handle his emotions You gave him a safe place to learn and opportunities to grow

Ten-year-old Cooper struggled managing his emotions. He was born with a diagnosis that made it hard for him to concentrate and think through the consequences of his actions.

Cooper continued to act out and let his strong emotions dictate his life. These actions created a divide between him and his family. They didn't know how to help him anymore. The future looked bleak.

You made sure that Cooper was safe and received care for his unique needs. Because of you, he's able to just be a kid, exploring new activities in a positive way and building his self-esteem. You have given him the safe space to discover his true worth in Christ.

Cooper had a tough time getting along with peers and adults. He would hold in his feelings and then become verbally and physically aggressive when he reached his breaking point.

But your generosity has helped change Cooper's view of himself and others. Recently Cooper participated in an outing of his choice to celebrate his growth. His favorite staff member is a helicopter pilot and he took Cooper on a flight. He even



Because of you, Cooper is experiencing growth in many areas of his life. And learning he can have fun too!

taught him the basics of flying. Cooper learned the importance of control in order to experience the freedom of flying.

Experiences like this coincide with his progress in therapy. Cooper has learned to be more open and talk about his feelings. He's getting better at controlling his emotions and considering the consequences of his actions.

Cooper once battled every relationship. Now he is becoming the kind young man God created him to be! So many amazing changes for Cooper because of your generosity.

Thank you for making a difference in Cooper's life!

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Thanks to you, he's discovering his worth

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Now she knows she's worthy of love

Your support helps kids find trauma healing and prepares them for life back in community

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For our CCHO Residential kids, telling strangers your deepest, darkest secrets is, unfortunately, a common occurrence. They often identify with what has happened to them, not able to comprehend their worth inherently given to them as a child of God.

That's where we come in, we offer our kids a new perspective, a perspective that focuses on who and whose they are, the gifts and talents given to them by God and building resilience as they work through the challenges in their lives.

One critically important avenue we utilize to help change perspective is offering our kids off-campus outings where they can explore the awe and wonder of God's creation, plus the joy of new adventures to museums, water parks, fairs and other exciting places around northeast Ohio.

Your support puts smiles on the children's faces as they are obtaining new, joyful experiences that help them heal from the pain they have experienced. Your support reinforces that they are indeed worthy of good things happening in their lives. Your support is evidence that they are cared for and loved by the body of Christ. Thank you for that support, it is changing lives!

Your fellow servant,

*PS - Hope to see you at the 12th Annual
Great Grill Off on Sunday, June 9!
Details unfold at greatgrilloff.com.*



Aiden experienced his worth because of you

Sixteen-year-old Aiden had given up on life. He had suffered a horrific loss after witnessing his father kill himself. Aiden was a victim and witness of constant domestic violence in his home. He used substances to numb his pain. Aiden didn't believe he had a reason to live.

Because of your kindness, Aiden has received help and healing from his difficult past. He has learned that he is worthy of safety, care, and time.

Aiden has been very engaged with his treatment and will soon discharge. He recently got to choose an outing with a favorite staff member. Aiden chose to go to Easton mall in Columbus and searched for (and found) the shoes he always wanted. He felt safe and connected with the staff member as they spent hours together shopping and eating Hibachi for dinner.

Thank you for helping this youth feel cared for. A youth who once believed his life was not worth living is now full of life and hope. Because of you, he's discovering his worth and learning that he can have fun in the process.



Connie avoided trust and connection You showed her that she is worthy of love

Connie grew up in a home filled with fear and terror. She was the object of physical and sexual abuse and the only love she knew was attached to pain and manipulation. She didn't believe she mattered. She didn't have the comfort and security of support from adults in her family.

Connie found it difficult to communicate her feelings and didn't realize her own needs. She would lash out in frustration, isolating herself from everyone. She felt alone, unworthy and unloved.

You wanted more for Connie. You made sure she was safe. Because of you, she's receiving the love and care that she deserves. You've given her opportunities to grow and experience her true worth in Christ. You've made a difference in Connie's life.

Connie desired kindness and love. Her mother died when she was a baby. The only times she was noticed were when her dad and stepmother abused her. Because of this, Connie created a wall around herself. She would not allow anyone to get close enough to offer help or support.

But your generosity has helped her to trust. To believe that her life can look different. She now knows that relationships can be healthy and true connection is possible.

Connie has been at CCHO for almost a year. She now has countless adults who love her. Connie looks forwards to church groups who come to



You helped Connie believe she was worthy of love. You gave her the strength to trust. Thank you for helping her heal!

campus. Although she only sees them once a month, she runs up to them and can't wait to see what activity they brought. This month there was karaoke, a piñata and a craft. Connie smiled the whole time.

Your kindness provided these experiences where Connie has created loving connections and Connie can simply enjoy being a kid.

Connie is preparing to discharge from CCHO and go home with her new adopted family. She has gone on several visits and is looking forward to having a family who truly loves and cares for her.

Because of you, this 6-year-old knows she is worthy of true love and connection. Thank you!

HELP GABRIELLA THIS SUMMER! Off-campus outings help her experience fun and connection!

Childhood is a time of exploring new places and making memories that bond families together. But for kids like Gabriella who come from abusive and neglectful homes, family outings are rare or never happen at all.

Gabriella has rarely known the excitement of going somewhere fun with her family. She hasn't experienced the simple joys of jumping in a swimming pool or playing at a park. Instead, Gabriella has felt the pain of rejection and loneliness when her mother deemed drugs more important than her.

But this summer, you can provide Gabriella and kids like her with the opportunity to experience connection through a special off-campus outing. You can give a young boy or girl something to look forward to. Best of all, your \$30 gift by June 1 can help Gabriella know what it's like to simply be a kid.



Your gift today provides a healthy and fun outing for a child in therapy.

Gabriella's mother could not care for her. Gabriella lived with grandparents who had no working utilities - an environment that was described as "deplorable living conditions". Gabriella was abused, neglected and felt no one cared about her needs - let alone her desires.

But you can change Gabriella's story.

Your gift of \$30 can help Gabriella feel cherished and wanted. To give her and other kids like her a "day off" from worry and a "day on" for good, old-fashioned fun. Off-campus outings can also introduce children to new hobbies and help prepare them to return to community life.

Your gift by June 1 can be the start of replacing Gabriella's painful past with joyful moments. It all starts with your gift of \$30.

YES! I will provide a summer outing for a child!

Please use my gift to give a fun and encouraging off-campus outing to a child who has suffered abuse and neglect at home.

- \$30** to provide an off-campus outing for **one child**
- \$90** to provide an off-campus outing for **three children**
- \$300** to provide an off-campus outing for **ten children**
- \$ _____** to help **as much as possible**

Help Gabriella know the fun of being a kid!

Your gift is needed by June 1!

Send completed card along with check (payable to CCHO) in provided envelope.

Give online – or set up an online recurring gift – at ccho.org/fun

