

CONNECT WITH US: SPRING 2018

#### 2018 Events

Fatherhood Celebration Luncheon Monday, June 4 • II:00 AM - I:30 PM Hyatt Regency Cincinnati

Fatherhood Community Celebration Sunday, June 17 • II:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sawyer Point Volunteers needed and appreciated!





# Wedgent to CAMP

Bang Bang in Paradise
Sunday, August 26 • 6:00 to 8:30 PM
Bonefish Grill Hyde Park

Talbert House Annual Luncheon Friday, September 28 • Noon to I:30 PM Hyatt Regency Cincinnati

Make Camp Possible
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## Looking for a way to give back this Father's Day?

Volunteer with family or friends to make our Community Celebration the best yet! Serve food/drinks, help with arts & crafts, or play kickball! <u>Sign up here.</u>

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**SPRING 2018** 

#### **NEWS BRIEFS**

## 3-YEAR ACA ACCREDITATION was awarded to ADAPT, BIS, Pathways, Spring Grove, and Serenity Hall.

### HAMILTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS

**COURT** Judge Pat Foley III toured ADAPT and Burnet Intensive Services in March.

#### STATE REP. GEORGE

LANG, visited the Community Correctional Center and Turtle Creek Center in April.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

to the Talbert House employees honored at the annual staff tenure breakfast in April.

#### THANK YOU.

Covington Catholic & Princeton High Schools for donating generously to Talbert House through Magnified Giving.

#### **COCA RAISED** \$35,000

for child abuse and bullying prevention at their inaugural Reach for the Stars event.

## Engagement Center Now Open



Talbert House is proud to announce the opening of its newest service location, the Engagement Center. This short-term residential facility will act as a triage unit, focusing on the engagement of opiate addicted individuals in treatment services, paving the way for successful long-term recovery in the community.

Funded in part by the Hamilton County

Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, the Engagement Center will serve male and female adult residents throughout Hamilton County who have experienced an overdose due to opioids or are at high risk to reuse due to withdrawal symptoms and cravings. Prospective clients must be referred by a hospital emergency department, a Hamilton County Quick Response Team, or Emergency Medical Service and medically cleared before being admitted into the facility. Recovery services offered at the Engagement Center will include; assessment, ambulatory detox, low level residential care, pharmacological management, group and individual therapy, and case management.

The Engagement Center is Talbert House's newest development in response to the opioid epidemic impacting our area.

#### ADDICTIONS SERVICE LINE TO FOCUS ON OPIATES

Talbert House has been on the forefront of the community response to the opioid crisis. In order to put focus on the issue and establish a single point of coordination within the Agency, Talbert House will be reorganizing its executive team and service lines to designate an Addictions Vice President.

Josh Arnold, currently the Vice President of Court and Corrections, will now assume the same position, as head of the newly minted Addictions service line. He will lead all of Talbert House's intensive substance use disorder programming, with a particular focus on opiates. This change, and the services supported by it, will provide the necessary assistance to opiate addicted individuals and their loved ones so that they receive the care and support they need.



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#### Employee of the Year

In January, Talbert House celebrated its more than 900 hard-working employees, and their committment to building a stronger community, during its annual employee appreciation celebration. **Keara Wrightsman** of Madisonville, an Administrative Specialist at Parkway Center which provides emergency transitional housing for homeless men in the community, was named 2017 Employee of the Year.

A mother of three, Keara attends Union Institute and Univeristy full-time, as well as working full-time



Pictured from left: Maura Lang, Jill Toca, Neil Tilow, Keara Wrightsman, Connie Foster, and Tommie Johnson

for Talbert House. After experiencing homelessness herself for several years, Keara is passionate about the work she does at Parkway Center connecting Talbert House clients and homeless veterans to services that will change their lives. She joined the Talbert House team in 2016.

Also being honored at the celebration this year as Outstanding Employees for 2017 were; **Maura Lang**, **Iill Toca. Connie Foster**, and **Tommie Johnson**.

#### Thank You, Volunteers!





Adath Israel Congregation

Tau Alpha Delta Christian Sorority

#### **Talbert House Ambassadors**

In April, the Talbert House Ambassador Board hosted its second annual Network & Learn event for young professionals in the Cincinnati area.

This exclusive event allowed young professionals from across the area to not only network, but learn about several non-profit organizations in the area that they can get involved with through events, volunteering, or by joining a YP board.

The Amabassadors host several events and volunteer opportunities throughout the year. Click here to learn more or to get involved.





#### McClain Scholar Graduates

Pam McClain worked for Talbert House for nearly 40 years, with 20 spent serving as Vice President. The McClain Scholarship Fund honors Pam's legacy of dedication by enabling staff to pursue higher education. Talbert House is pleased to recognize three of its employees as McClain Scholar graduates.

**Emily Bacon** received her Master's in Social Work from the University of Cincinnati, **Margurite Jackson** earned her Associate of Arts in Social Work from Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, and **Laura Schiele** received her Master's of Social Work



Laura Schiele and Margurite Jackson Not pictured: Emily Bacon

from Simmons College. To date, a total of four McClain Scholar recipients have graduated. Congratulations!

#### Congratulations, Graduates!



The Fatherhood Project Class 44 graduation held in March







Hamilton County Drug Court graduation held in January



#### New Deaconess Health Check in Western Hills



Talbert House is happy to announce that a new Deaconess Health Check office is open in Western Hills. The Glenway Avenue location joins the flagship office in Walnut Hills.

Deaconess Health Check provides access to quality primary medical and behavioral health services to improve the physical health of adults and families.

## STAFF & BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Board member
Navdeep Kang was
selected by the Obama
Foundation for the
inaugural Obama
Fellows class.



**Gregory Rogers** joins the Board of Trustees as a representative for Health Care Access Now.



Gwendolyn Wilder was given the 2018 Lion Award by the Urban League.

Board member

Clinical Lead Joan Van Epps celebrated 25 years with Talbert House.



Clinical Service Provider **Dennis Carroll** celebrated 25 years with Talbert House.

#### **GENEROUS DONATIONS**

#### Anonymous

\$100,000 for Parkway Center security equipment and case management assistance

#### Anonymous

\$80,000 for Opiate Response

#### Anonymous

\$13,000 for Spring Grove, ADAS, and Pathways kitchen equipment

> Covington Catholic \$2,200 for Talbert House

Mayerson Philanthropy - NKU \$1,000 Union Day School