

Hi Everyone,

We hope you had a nice weekend and a fun Halloween! It may have been a bit cold and windy, but we look forward to some warmer temperatures this week and little to no rain. It's nice to have such high temperatures and beautiful fall colors into November!

We were so excited to see UCP's Amy Vedova, OakLeaf's Activities and Training Manager, and our client, Mike, on Fox8 News on Friday evening! It wonderfully represents the work you all do and the heartfelt impact it can make on those we serve AND on the community. If you did not see it, we offer it: <https://fox8.com/news/holy-name-football-superfan-with-cerebral-palsy-cheers-on-his-team-through-the-playoffs/> Thank you, Amy, for bringing everyone together!

We write today with hopes that you have cast your vote in the election or have plans to vote on Election Day tomorrow. Every voice must be heard. Ohio will play a major role in this election's outcome – your vote counts. If you have not yet voted, you can today (Monday) from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at your Board of Elections or on Tuesday from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. at your polling location. To find your assigned polling location, go to www.VoteOhio.gov. Your in-person vote requires that you provide proof of identity (government ID, current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck). Don't forget your face covering, too.

As the final vote tally is completed and the winner is announced, whenever that may be, some will be excited and others disappointed in the results. In fact, emotions may run high and could include anger and fear. My hope is that, regardless of the outcome, we can all exhibit some understanding and compassion for the feelings of others and come together as best we can. Further division amongst us will not serve any purpose. Not only can voices be heard in the form of a vote, but they can also be used to bring unity, inclusion, and respect for one another.

Please continue to take care of yourself and others. Thank you for all you are doing to allow us to continue to serve so many during this difficult time.

Trish and the Leadership Team