

The Buckeye Ranch

The Buckeye Ranch Fiscal 2012 Annual Report



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Dear Friends,

On September 10, 2011 we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of The Buckeye Ranch. This historic event presented us with the opportunity to reflect on our wonderful legacy, celebrate our accomplishments and renew old friendships. We realized that even though fifty years may have passed, our mission of providing hope and healing has never really changed.



The number of children and families who seek our help continues to multiply at a time when our funders are financially challenged. Today's Buckeye Ranch provides specialized care for more than three thousand children and their families each year. The Ranch remains viable and thrives because we continue to remain focused on providing the best quality care for our clients.

While our mission remains unchanged, the size of our agency, the scope of our services and the number of locations from which those services are delivered has grown immensely. Our Grove City campus remains vital in the delivery of residential treatment services for as many as 88 boys and girls on any given day. We also deliver services from five other locations in Ohio. In total, 460 Ranch staff members operate from our locations in Grove City, Cincinnati, Newark and Columbus locations in Old Towne East, the Hilltop and Linden. Linden represents our recent acquisition of the Rosemont Center.

This annual report includes information regarding our current services and recaps our financial information for the period beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012 (Fiscal 2012). You will see that we are doing a wonderful job for the children and families we serve and that we are good stewards of our resources. Should you choose to support The Buckeye Ranch, rest assured that you will be making a great investment. You will be making an investment in the lives of thousands of children, an investment in our community and an investment in an organization that has continued to thrive for more than fifty years.

Thank you for supporting the work of The Buckeye Ranch!

Sincerely,

*D. Nicholas Rees
President & CEO
The Buckeye Ranch*

Programs and Services



Listen to me with your heart
Here I stand—a boy apart
Bewildered in this hostile world
Belligerent and hard? Not !!
When no one's watching I can cry
Help me please—it's not too late
Give me a chance to take my place
Strengthen me to run life's race.

-Dorothy Argo, 1961

The Lives We Have Touched:

Buckeye Ranch Foster Care—466 children;
186 licensed foster families in 29 Ohio counties
Permanent Family Solutions Network—566 families; 1,081 children
Education Based—199
Residential Treatment—229 children (ICC-124; Open Campus-105)
Community Based—1,194

* these children may have been served by more than one program due to our seamless care.

- ◇ \$24 provides a child with a day in a safe environment in our Foster Care program
- ◇ \$40 provides a child with 1 hour of group counseling to learn social skills and how to get along well with others
- ◇ \$127 provides a child with 1 hour of individualized counseling to work through trauma and help develop coping skills
- ◇ \$200 provides a middle or high school student with a day in the Cross Creek Day Treatment program
- ◇ \$330 provides a child with a day of room & board in the residential Intensive Care Center

Community Based Services— Fifteen year-old Michael came into our care a year and a half ago with significant behavioral concerns. He was in trouble daily at school, home, and in the community. He was verbally disrespectful and was engaging in negative behavior including drug use, socializing with negative peers and adults, and rarely attending school. Through Community Based services, Michael began receiving the appropriate care at the right time. He was temporarily removed from his home and placed in foster care so that his home-based clinician could work to empower Michael's mother to hold him accountable for his behaviors. As she grew in her ability to set limits and advocate for herself and her child, Michael was ready to return home where he is doing very well. He attends school consistently, has reduced his aggression, and shows a greater degree of insight into his behaviors and increased pro-social responses in his home, school and community. His mother has nothing but praise for Michael's supervisor, her home-based clinician and The Buckeye Ranch for the help we provided.

Educational Day Treatment— Venus entered the Cross Creek program due to behavioral and academic challenges at her middle school where she refused to do class work, disrespected her teachers, fought physically with her peers and frequently skipped school. Her mother tried various services, but none made a difference. Venus immediately built positive relationships with staff, which quickly engaged her in treatment. While her progress fluctuated, she took responsibility for her actions including using the program's crisis line to deescalate her anger at home. However, due to her increased self-harm behavior, her 2011-12 school year was interrupted with essential residential treatment. Not discouraged, she diligently followed her treatment plan. When she returned to Cross Creek in the Fall of 2012, she was determined to accomplish her treatment and academic goals. She accepted support from both the staff and her peers. She was assigned to a classroom with like-minded, motivated students. She focused in class but self-regulated her behavior using coping techniques, such as requesting breaks to take a walk, color or write in her journal. In counseling sessions provided during the school day, Venus openly discussed her feelings and concerns. Her determination resulted in improved grades and achievement of her treatment goals. Progress can be bitter sweet. Progress means one is ready for the next step which, in this instance, was transitioning to another school. Venus discussed transitioning with her clinician and worked through her fears. She was discharged successfully from the Cross Creek program on January 11, 2013. As a sophomore at a new school, she is doing well!



PFSN for the holidays

Permanent Family Solutions Network— Also referred to as PFSN, our Permanent Family Solutions Network strives to increase family engagement and enhance relationships between children in care with their parents/relatives. PFSN ended 2012 by hosting a Winter Wonderland, a very successful and special visitation, for families whose children are in foster or relative care. Over 70 adults and 50 children attended this 2-hour visit which was a chance to spend extra time together for the holidays outside of their regularly scheduled visitation. Families enjoyed many activities including cookie decorating, family pictures and secret "shopping" for gifts. The event featured eight themed rooms, each with a different family activity. The Buckeye Ranch Service Board provided lunch and games so families could relax and have fun together. And they did!

Mission: Providing hope and healing to children and families. It Works!

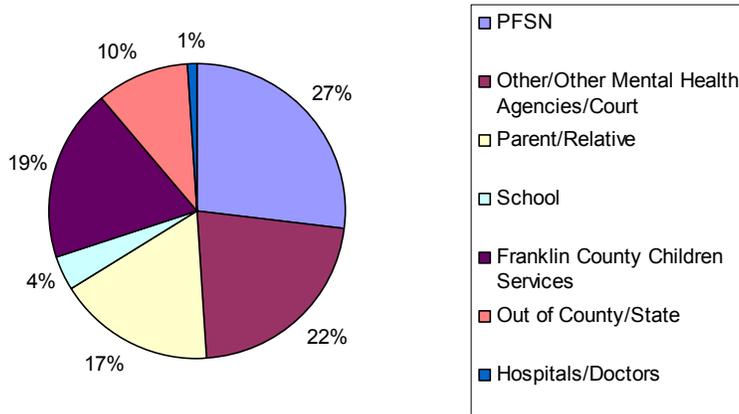
Statistics show that Buckeye Ranch programs result in positive changes. Of those children who have successfully completed their course of treatment, after 90 days:

- ◇ 99.15% remain in school
- ◇ 81.50% make passing grades
- ◇ 84.22% stay out of legal trouble
- ◇ 90.64% get along with their teachers and peers

Facts & Figures



Client Referral Sources for 2011-12



Executive Team

Nick Rees, President & CEO
 Tina Boesch, Director of Permanent Family Solutions Network
 Molly Heit, Director of Residential and Deaf Services
 Kim Miller, Director of Utilization Management
 Roger Minner, VP of Community-Based Programming
 Sherri Orr, Chief Financial Officer
 Maree Owens, Director of Human Resources
 Sehul Patel, Director of Information Technology
 Steve Richard, Exec. VP of Programs & Services
 Gary Stammeler, Exec. VP of Business Operations
 Michelle Stratman, Corporate Counsel & Director, Quality Improvement
 Ann Woodford, Director of Foster Care

Licenses, Accreditations and Affiliations

Professional Licenses and Certifications of Staff

- ◇ 3—Juris Doctor
- ◇ 3—Certified Public Accountant
- ◇ 118—Master's Degree
- ◇ 11—Licensed Independent Social Worker
- ◇ 27—Licensed Independent Social Worker—Supervision Designation
- ◇ 58—Licensed Social Worker
- ◇ 3—Doctor of Philosophy
- ◇ 10—Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor II
- ◇ 46—Chemical Dependency Counselor Assistant
- ◇ 11—Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor III
- ◇ 9—Professional Clinical Counselor—Supervision Designation
- ◇ 13—Professional Counselor
- ◇ 8—Professional Clinical Counselor

The Buckeye Ranch offers Group Counseling sessions on various topics throughout the year at our many locations. Visit us at www.buckeyeranch.org for more information. You can also find us on Facebook and Twitter.

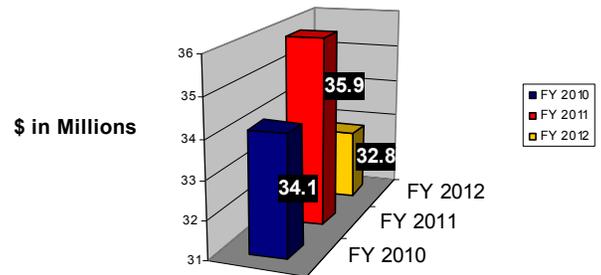
Finance Overview

The Buckeye Ranch and The Buckeye Ranch Foundation are listed as 501 (c)(3) certified agencies with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

Revenue Source

Service Fees 72%
 ADAMH 2%
 Medicaid 22%
 Contributions/Other 5%
 Return on Investments (-1)%

3-Year Revenue History



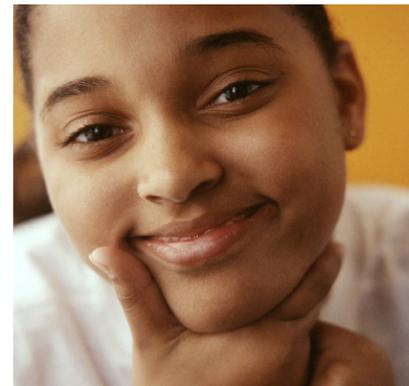
Expenses

Programs & Services 87%
 Administrative 13%

Holdings and Assets

The Buckeye Ranch Foundation holds all land and real estate, which includes the 145-acre campus at 5665 Hoover Road in Grove City, OH, the Family Centers located at 697 E. Broad Street and 2865 W. Broad Street in Columbus, OH as well as the 35-acre campus of the new Rosemont Facility in East Columbus, OH.

* Audited financial statements are available upon request.



Mental illnesses are surprisingly common. They actually affect almost every family in America.

According to the Ohio Department of Mental Health, one out of five people in America (more than two million Ohioans) have a mental illness yet, only one-third of adults and one-half of children receive treatment. **The Buckeye Ranch can help.**

Providing hope and healing to children and families.

For information regarding donations to The Ranch, please contact The Buckeye Ranch Development Department at 614.539.6637

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Fifty years from now it will not matter what kind of car you drove, what kind of house you lived in, how much you had in your bank account or what your clothes looked like. But the world may be a little better place because you were important in the life of a child.

- Anonymous

2012-13 Board of Directors

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***Makes programming decisions and sets policies for day-to-day operations. Bylaws allow up to 25 voting seats.**

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***Charged with raising money to support The Buckeye Ranch, as well as fostering relationships with their peers in the community. Bylaws allow up to 60 seats.**

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