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The Buckeye Ranch Welcomes You to the Fourth Annual “A Positive Note” Celebration

This year’s A Positive Note celebration, The Buckeye Ranch’s annual signature fundraiser that brings the community together to celebrate storytellers who share their mental health journeys of healing supported by The Buckeye Ranch’s programs, is at Kemba LIVE! on May 8!

Columbus, Ohio, February 28, 2025 – The Buckeye Ranch is thrilled to host our signature annual fundraiser, A Positive Note, for the fourth consecutive year! [A Positive Note: Journeys of Hope and Healing 2025 celebration](#), presented by [Nationwide](#), will take place on Thursday, May 8, 2025, with doors opening for general admission at 6:30 p.m. at Kemba LIVE!

“A Positive Note event pulls back the curtain for our partners and community to see the tremendous healing made possible by The Buckeye Ranch. In 2024, The Buckeye Ranch was able to serve over 7,119 youth based on this community’s support of our work,” explains Vickie Thompson-Sandy, President and CEO of The Buckeye Ranch. “It is an honor to celebrate the healing journey of youth and their families impacted by mental health. This year we will have a sneak peak of our new partnership for change with Nationwide Children’s Hospital. It will be a night to remember!”

The Buckeye Ranch invites the community to join us to hear our mission of raising hope and providing healing in action, told through the stories of from three young people. Each storyteller selects a song that embodies their healing journey to be played live by MojoFlo as they conclude their story, allowing the room to honor and celebrate their tremendous success as a collective. In addition to the meaningful programming, guests will also be treated to hors d’oeuvres from Cameron Mitchell Premier Events and signature refreshments.

“At Nationwide, we work hard to help our community protect what matters today so individuals and businesses can prepare for what comes tomorrow. The Buckeye Ranch shares this focus by raising hope and restoring healing for youth and families in our community, which is why we’re honored to collaborate with them,” shared Mark Howard, Chief Legal Officer at [Nationwide](#) and immediate past chair of the Board of Trustees at The Buckeye Ranch. “We look forward to A Positive Note 2025 and invite others to join us at the event to help create brighter futures for youth in our community.”

As of today, other sponsors of A Positive Note 2025 include Zipline Logistics as a Text2Give sponsor, Morgan Stanley, McCall Sharp Architecture, Kokosing, and Mike and Paige Crane as Gold sponsors, and Origo Branding, WesBanco, Barbie and David Kristal, Overmyer Hall Associates, Crane Renovation Group, and Bailey Cavalieri as Silver sponsors. Tickets, honorary committee spots, and sponsorships are on sale now. To join The Buckeye Ranch in celebrating and supporting healing in the community, purchase tickets or explore sponsorship [here](#).

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About The Buckeye Ranch

[The Buckeye Ranch](#), is a private, non-profit provider that has been serving children and families in Ohio for over 60 years. Opening in 1961 as a treatment center for 10 young men, it has now transitioned into a leading provider of emotional, behavioral and mental health services for children and families in Ohio. Each day, more than 2,350 youth are in The Buckeye Ranch's care, receiving services designed to help them become successful within their families, schools and communities. With 6 locations and over 600 dedicated staff, our four service lines - Child Welfare Services, Community and Education-Based Mental Health Services, Residential Treatment Services, and Integrated Care Services- operate 18 programs for youth and families across the state. Since the beginning, The Buckeye Ranch's mission has been to restore hope and provide healing for children and families. To learn more, visit www.BuckeyeRanch.org.