

Construction Update: Critical Care Building

For our Avondale neighbors and community partners

What's Happening Onsite

- Placement of the final, 250 lb. steel beam that was signed by hundreds of families, patients and staff will occur on November 8, 2019.
- Exterior studs, glass and roofing work continues, and the building will be dried in by the end of the month.
- Steel framing has been erected for the mechanical room, on the top floor of the building, and equipment and piping are being installed.



Key Dates

Now - Dec. 2019:
Structure/framing work

May 2019 - Nov. 2019:
Exterior work

April 2019 - July 2021:
Interior work

July - Nov. 2021:
Move-in/training

Nov. 2021:
New building opens

Faces Behind the Building

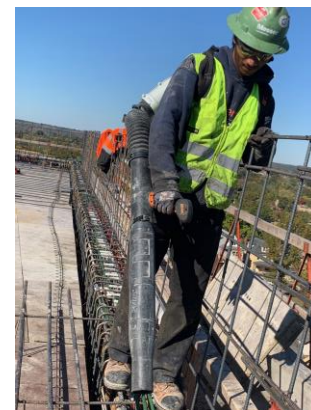
Simeon Finnell, age 23, gives a whole new meaning to working from home. While most construction workers must travel many miles to a job site, Simeon arrives to work in less than five minutes. He lives in Avondale on Fred Shuttlesworth Drive, a few blocks from the construction site of the new Critical Care Building.

Simeon works as a journeyman for Messer Construction, responsible for demolition, pouring concrete and a variety of construction skills he learned through the Easter Seals programs called Youth Build and Building Value.

"It feels good to drive past the work site. I show friends and family what I've worked on, and it brings a smile to my face. I have a top floor apartment, and I can see the cranes from my window. It's awesome," said Simeon.

Learn the Construction Trade

Currently 24 residents of the Uptown area and surrounding areas have been hired for full-time careers in construction and other fields. Twelve additional participants have enrolled in and are on track to complete the Uptown Workforce Development Initiative (UWDI). UWDI is a program to learn skills and build capacity in the construction industry. For more information, contact Stanley Warrenhuffman at 513-532-5165 or swarrenhuffman@eastersealsgc.org.



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Reminder: Per the City of Cincinnati, construction activities can begin as early as 4 am to help reduce traffic congestion and ensure the safety of the community. Thank you for your patience.

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