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.

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.

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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