

NOAS SEPTEMBER NEWS

the stories that matter

CELEBRATING KINSHIP CARE MONTH



September is National Kinship Care Month, a time to recognize the grandparents, relatives and close family friends who step up to provide stability, connection and care when children need it most.

Approximately 124,000 children in Ohio are being raised by relatives or close family friends, many outside the formal foster care system. Kinship care helps children maintain important family relationships, community connections and a sense of belonging during times of change.

This month, we also want to recognize and thank NOAS OhioKAN Kinship Navigators Denise and Catreese. Their work requires compassion, patience, resourcefulness and a true commitment to walking alongside families as they navigate challenges and find the resources and support they need.



Thank you, **Catreese** and **Denise**, for your hard work, dedication and the difference you make for kinship families every day!

COULD FOSTERING BE RIGHT FOR YOU?

Right now, children in foster care are waiting—for stability, connection, and someone who will show up.

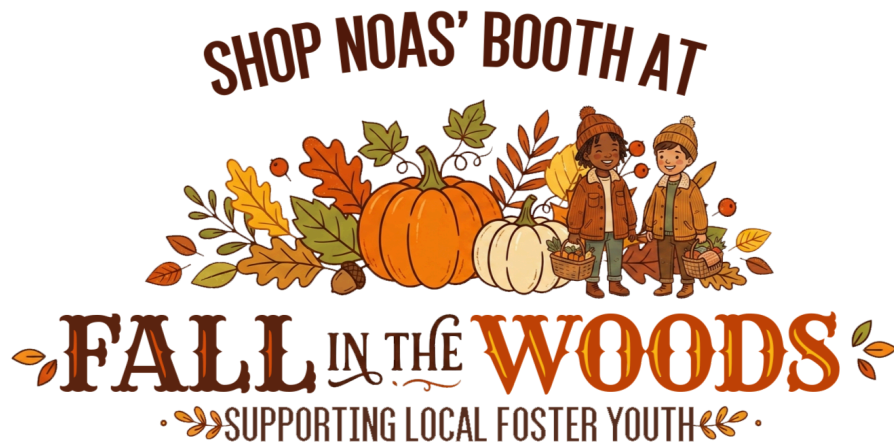


Could fostering fit your life? You just might be the right “fit” for a child who needs you. There’s no better time to find out. NOAS’ next virtual **preservice training begins Saturday, September 19**, and you can complete the entire series in just two weekends.

You don’t have to have all the answers before you begin. NOAS has the tools, support, and people to walk alongside you every step of the way.

Find out more. Be the fit. Take the first step today.

To learn more or register, contact **Simone Gant** at **330-984-0873** or sgant@noas.com.



***Join NOAS at Fall In The Woods at Hartford Hill Winery,
September 12 & 13 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.***

get into the spirit of the season! Stop by our booth to shop our beautiful fall decorations—every purchase helps support the foster youth and families served by NOAS.

TAKE A CHANCE ON THE KIDS
Win something great while making a difference!

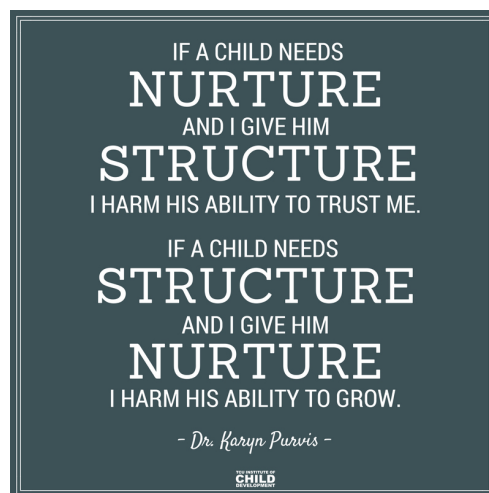


Now through October, stop by **Lutz Greenhouse** for your chance to win one of **100 amazing outdoor items**—all while supporting foster youth and young adults served by NOAS. Tickets are just **11 for \$5!** Simply drop your tickets into the bucket for the prize (or prizes!) you'd love to win.

Lutz Greenhouse
7879 W. Pine Lake Rd., Salem, OH 44460

Winners will be drawn in the beginning of October, and you **do not need to be present to win**. **Every ticket supports NOAS and the youth and young adults we serve. Take a chance—and make a difference!**

TBRI® TIP: BUILDING TRUST THROUGH PREDICTABILITY



Trust doesn't always come easily for a child who has experienced trauma, loss, or instability. It is often built slowly through small, consistent moments of connection.

One simple way caregivers can help build trust is through predictability. Following through on what you say, keeping routines when possible, and helping a child know what to expect can create a greater sense of safety and security. Each consistent interaction is another opportunity to show a child that the adults in their life can be dependable.

Connection takes time—but those small moments can make a big difference.

[View Upcoming Virtual Trainings](#)

Want to learn more about TBRI® and NOAS' trauma-informed programs?

Contact Simone at sgant@noas.com or register online.

[Register](#)

WIN A DREAM LAKE GETAWAY - EVERY TICKET CHANGES A LIFE



Imagine spending **7 nights** in a beautifully renovated private home overlooking the breathtaking **Smith Mountain Lake, Virginia**. This incredible vacation getaway sleeps up to **12 guests** and features **4 bedrooms, 3½ bathrooms, a fully equipped kitchen, family room, game room, scenic lake views, a fire pit, grill, and kayaks** for exploring one of Virginia's premier vacation destinations.

Whether you're looking for relaxation or adventure, Smith Mountain Lake offers boating, fishing, hiking, wineries, breweries, golf, paddle boarding, and so much more. Best of all, **every ticket purchased helps support local foster youth and families served by NOAS.**

Raffle Tickets:

\$25 for one ticket • **5 tickets for \$100**

Purchase your tickets online or at the NOAS office through **4:30 p.m. through September 30th**. The winning ticket will be drawn on October 1st at noon via FaceBook live. **You do not need to be present to win. Your next vacation could change a child's future.**

Get your tickets today!

A HUGE THANK YOU



What an incredible night! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make The Benders Concert such a success.

From the amazing performances by The Benders and Fake Business, to our generous sponsors and donors, dedicated committee, staff, volunteers, and everyone who came out to support us—we simply could not have done it without you.

Most importantly, the funds raised will help NOAS continue providing support, stability, and connection for the foster youth and families we serve.

It is the generosity of people like you that makes our work possible and reminds us just how much can happen when a community comes together for a common purpose.

Thank you for showing up, giving back, and making a difference!

TBRI® IN THE COMMUNITY



This summer, NOAS was proud to partner with the **Youngstown Metropolitan Housing Authority (YMHA)** to bring TBRI® Connection Circles directly to families at YMHA family sites twice each week.

Through these gatherings, families learned practical, trauma-informed strategies designed to strengthen relationships, build trust, and create connection.

We wrapped up a great summer of partnership by joining YMHA for its **Family Strong Event**, celebrating families and connecting with the community.

We are grateful for partnerships like this that help NOAS bring support, resources, and meaningful connections directly into our community.

Get Your Tickets, Table or Sponsorship to NOAS'



GIRLS NIGHT OUT
Holiday
BINGO

DECEMBER 3, 2026 | 6:00 PM

DiVieste's Banquet Centre, Warren

DESIGNER BAGS • FABULOUS PRIZES • BIG CHANCES TO WIN

*Dinner buffet and dessert • Cash bar • 50/50 raffle • Basket raffle • Purse raffle
Louis Vuitton purse raffle • 3-up bingo with dauber (10 games for 10 purses)*

\$55 per person Open Seating, not assigned	\$700 VIP table of 8 VIP Entry at 5:30 pm • Sit With Your Party Eight Purse Raffle Tickets • Eight Chance Auction Sheets Eight Extra Bingo Sheets	\$500 table of 8 Sit With Your Party Eight Purse Raffle Tickets Eight Chance Auction Sheets
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\$1,500 Sponsor VIP Entry at 5:30 pm • One VIP Table for 8 Two Louis Vuitton Tickets • Eight Purse Raffle Tickets Eight Chance Auction Sheets • Eight Extra Bingo Sheets Premier Seating • Signage At Event	\$2,500 Sponsor VIP Entry at 5:30 pm • Two VIP Tables for 16 Four Louis Vuitton Tickets • Sixteen Purse Raffle Tickets Sixteen Chance Auction Sheets • Sixteen Extra Bingo Sheets Premier Seating • Signage At Event
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