Ohio State’s annual Bucks for Charity Drive is coordinated by the Office of Human Resources. This year’s campaign is chaired by Javaune Adams-Gaston, vice president for Student Life.

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At Flying Horse Farms, kids can look past their health problems

A young boy of 8 looks across the swimming pool and sees a slightly older boy, ready to jump in, with a scar from the top of his chest down to his sternum. It’s exactly like the scar the younger boy has on his chest, which he got after undergoing a heart transplant. Seeing and playing with others who have been through exactly what he went through allows him to derive some comfort and normality from an experience anything but normal for someone his age.

But that’s the goal of Flying Horse Farms, to build a camp experience for children with serious illnesses so they don’t feel out of place and they can have the same type of fun healthy kids enjoy.

As one of the newest members of the Bucks for Charity campaign through Community Health Charities of Ohio, Flying Horse Farms (charity code 60930) officially opened in April with its first residential camp — where kids age 8 to 15 spend six days at the camp without their parents.

The campers — who attend weeklong residential camp or weekend family camps with peers with similar medical conditions — get the full away-from-home treatment. They sleep in cabins on the 200-acre spread in Mt. Gilead and have counselors stay with them. They fish, they swim, shoot arrows from bows, make arts and crafts, go boating, play games, act out stage performances and even help teach the resident dogs how to navigate agility courses — all tailored to what they are able to do.

“I have to say the campers’ reaction is pure joy,” says Regan Walsh, director of marketing and communications for Flying Horse Farms. “The kids come out and they’re smiling and carefree. The volunteers are changed forever.”

Kids are able to come without their parents because Flying Horse Farms has a 24/7 medical facility on site.

Offering you an opportunity to support:

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- EarthShare Ohio
- United Negro College Fund (UNCF)
- United Way of Central Ohio
- United Way of Delaware County
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- United Way of Pickaway County
- United Way of Union County

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Campaign runs through December 9, 2011
Flying Horse Farms (from page 5)

The camp experience has quickly passed by word of mouth from parent to parent in hospital hallways, so much so that Walsh expects to have a camper waiting at the 16,000 children in Ohio with serious illnesses.

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Having full, he says, “We always need volunteers to come help the kids. From an Ohio State perspective, volunteering would be great for education majors, social workers and nursing majors.”

Whether faculty, staff and students want to come help to make the camp pretty — or if they want to be a counselor or run the boat dock or help at a fundraiser or provide medical care to our campers — this is something everyone at OSU can rally around,” Walsh says.

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For a list of the 300+ participating organizations, see the campaign Resource Guide online at hr.osu.edu/special/11resourceguide.pdf.

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