

RePlay for Kids Newsletter

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Volunteers come together from all over the community to adapt toys or repair assistive devices.

We host these events several times per month so it's easy and fun to participate!

Small portable toolkits make it easy to set-up our workshops almost anywhere. Check out our calendar.

See our workshops under "Information" at replayforkids.org



MAKE A DIFFERENCE, ONE CHILD AT A TIME

He first used a ride-on car during therapy at the Cleveland Clinic—now he has one of his very own at home! His mom got the car, and RePlay for Kids adapted it with a big button so he can control the car himself and added supportive seating to keep him safe.

Big brother loves joining the fun too—helping steer with the remote and cruising around together!



Volunteer Spotlight

Paul Elrabadi, Manager of Events & Outreach at OverDrive, Inc., helps employees build connections through team events, wellness programs, and community engagement. When employees were surveyed about causes they care most about, RePlay for Kids topped the list.

Recently, 15 OverDrive employees joined a RePlay for Kids workshop to adapt toys for children with disabilities. Clear instructions, a short training video, and organized tool sets made it easy for everyone to get started. Learning to solder and revisiting nostalgic toys like Barbie's RV were definite highlights.

"The team at RePlay for Kids is so innovative and organized," Paul shared. "I truly enjoyed my time there." In just three hours, the group made a meaningful community impact—and they're already planning their next visit!

Toy adapting workshops are a triple win: they benefit kids with disabilities, empower, and support RePlay for Kids' mission.

Thank you, OverDrive, for making play possible for every child!



Paul and an OverDrive teammate work together to adapt a toy during a RePlay for Kids workshop



Message from the Board Chair

The Power of Play

Did you have a favorite toy as a kid? Probably one after another as you got older, but there was always one that perfectly matched your age and abilities. Long before Woody and Buzz, mine was a battery-operated James Bond Aston Martin. It had everything: bulletproof rear windows, taillight machine guns, hubcaps that could slash tires, revolving license plates, and even a functioning ejector seat! Hours of adventures with my sidekick 007 taught me creativity—and even a bit about how the world works. That toy has been on my mind lately, along with all the children who wouldn't have similar adventures without RePlay for Kids.

More kids with disabilities than ever rely on our toy adaptation and repair services to learn, play, and engage their imaginations.

This year alone, we've hosted nearly 92 workshops, involved 1,674 volunteers, and adapted or repaired over 2,600 toys—and we're not finished. We're forming a Community Advisory Board and expanding our Corporate Sponsorship program to sustain and grow these efforts.

Know someone who can help? Volunteer, host a workshop, or become a sponsor. No soldering necessary.

Why? Because, regardless of their physical or cognitive abilities,
EVERY child needs to play.

-RONALD J. TRIOLO, PH.D.
REPLAY FOR KIDS, BOARD CHAIR



A big thank-you to GPD Group for hosting a toy workshop in support of RePlay for Kids! Your generosity and hands-on help are making a real difference for children with disabilities. We're also grateful for your Game Changers Grant and the support of your Impact Committee.

Upcoming Workshops

All workshops take place at RePlay for Kids
Creative Space
6190 Cochran Road, Suite E, Solon, OH 44139



Google Map

- Saturday 10/18/2025 10AM-12PM
- Saturday 11/01/2025 10AM-12PM
- Saturday 11/08/2025 10AM-12PM
- Saturday 12/06/2025 10AM-12PM



To RSVP please visit our
 website
replayforkids.org/events/



Helping the Community

“These toys have allowed my patients to experience the simple pleasures that come with childhood play.”

-Mariah Perry, Akron Children’s Hospital

REPLAY FOR KIDS FUNDRAISER EVENT

HALLOWEEN 5K AND 1 MILE FUN WALK

Date: October 26, 2025

Time: 9 AM

Where: 4691 Windfall Road,
 Medina, OH 44256



For more information and to purchase tickets, go to replayforkids.org/fundraisers/ or scan the QR code



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