

In Support Of Xavier

This year, Xavier, a bright and courageous 20-year-old, found employment at Scott Equipment in August through ProAct's employment services. His dedication and strong work ethic quickly made him an invaluable team member, and he was already receiving increased hours by Mid-September.

However, this success has been met with an unexpected and significant challenge. Xavier was recently diagnosed with stage 3 testicular cancer and is currently admitted to Hennepin County Medical Center to undergo treatment.

Xavier has already touched the lives of many, including the owners of Scott Equipment, who have shown incredible support by visiting him multiple times in the hospital over the past month. We are immensely grateful to Scott Equipment for ensuring Xavier's position will remain open for his return.

The ProAct team, whose lives have been touched by Xavier's spirit, continues to cheer him on during his battle.



The financial burdens associated with this fight are substantial. If you are able and interested in supporting Xavier and his family during this challenging time, please consider making a donation to his GoFundMe campaign: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-for-xavier-gillen-and-family>

On behalf of all those who hold Xavier in their hearts, we thank you for your generosity and support.

Give To The Max!

With November on the horizon, it is time for Minnesota's non-profits, like ProAct, to begin the annual preparation for **Give To The Max Day!** This year on **November 20, 2025**, Minnesotans will come together to support their favorite nonprofits and make a difference in their communities. We hope you will support ProAct!

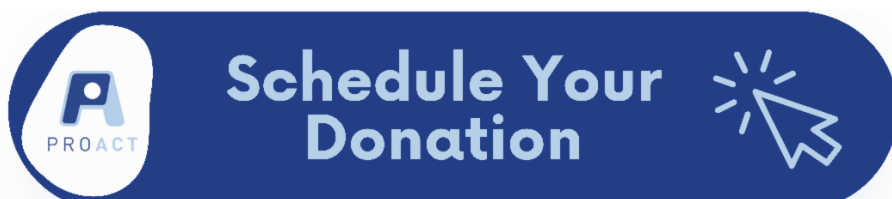
This year, it was announced that ProAct's Shakopee site will be required to relocate due to the growing needs of the Southwest Metro Special School District through which our current location is leased in coordination with Scott County. In response to this relocation need, ProAct acquired a new building to house our services for the greater Shakopee region. However, acquiring a new building and preparing it to meet our standards and the needs for our participants takes time and effort.

For this Give To The Max Day, ProAct will use contributions towards acquiring new equipment like a Hoyer lift for accessibility needs, an Owl for administrative and video conferencing needs, along with various other tools and site modifications to ensure every individual will have the support they need.

Supporters of ProAct Inc. are able to schedule your donations starting on November 1st in order to support the future home of ProAct Shakopee. To make your donation go to: <https://www.givemn.org/story/ProAct2025>

Thank you for your continue support of ProAct!

Sincerely,
The ProAct Team



Enrichment Program Highlights

A September to Remember

This September was a time for making memories, celebrating life, and getting outdoors to enjoy the fall air.

In Red Wing, participants danced and sang along with our friends at the Universal Music Center and even kept the music going with home made maracas. To keep the activity up, participants enjoyed getting out for activities like bowling, line dancing, and getting in a good workout at Country Fit.

In Shakopee, participants put on their dancing shoes, moving their bodies to the music, and enjoyed the fresh Fall air at an apple orchard and on a boat for some fishing. With the changing of the seasons in mind, arts and crafts contained all sorts of fun imagery like apple trees, bears, pumpkins, and even a donut or two.

In Eagan, participants were out and about exploring to fun destinations like Stillwater, an apple orchard, and a few garage sales for some thrifty shopping. There was also plenty of time for minigolf, making jewelry, and our resident Vikings fans showing off their time spirit.

Finally, in Hudson, participants were thrilled with all the fun destinations like Normandale Japanese Garden, an apple orchard, and Franconia Art Park. While in doors, there were plenty of chances for painting, science experiments, crafting home made Ferris Wheels, and showing their talent in some games of minute to win it.

Check out more photos below!



Apple Orchard Painting



Spending Time With Animal Friends



Musical Visit From Universal Music Center



Bowling Time



Volunteering at Feed My Starving Children



Viking Team Spirit



Normandale Japanese Garden



Franconia Art Park

September by the Numbers

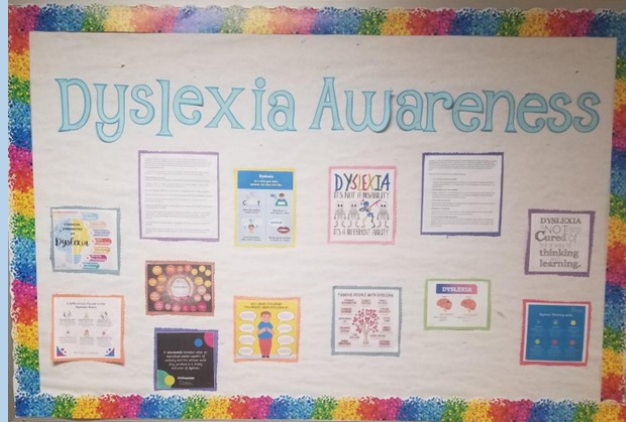
Total Hours: **50,558**
Participants Served: **701**
Independent Hires: **9**



Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Activities

Monthly, ProAct's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee focuses on educating staff, participants and stakeholders in areas of culture, diversity, and disability. The committee chooses one diversity related area and a disability as its educational focuses for the month. Bulletin boards, e-mails, class projects and other tools are used to educate staff and participants at each of our four locations.

The committee chose **Dyslexia Awareness** and **International Day of the Girl Child** for the month of October.



Are you or someone you know looking for a new job? Explore the amazing career opportunities at ProAct and join a team dedicated to enriching the lives of people with disabilities.



ProAct Inc | www.proactinc.org



ProAct, Inc. | 3195 Neil Armstrong Boulevard | Eagan, MN 55121 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)