



**brent's
place**

*for our kids with cancer
a home for families*

**WHAT
HAPPENED IN
DECEMBER**

- **Our Holiday Boutique was a huge success thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers, and the many, many people that donated toys and gifts!**
- **We welcomed volunteers and other supporters for our Open House and our Walk of Hope brick dedication ceremony.**
- **The Executive Leadership Council threw a fantastic Winter party!**
- **Alexis and Skyler celebrated birthdays!**
- **Families went on outings to the Imax and History Colorado Museums!**

January Brent's Buddies Buzz

JANUARY, 2017

Happy New Year!



Jensine gives Santa some artwork she drew for him!

A warm welcome to 2017 to all of our volunteers! We are so grateful to have spent 2016 being supported by a wonderful group of caring, dedicated individuals, and look forward to another great year.

In mid-2017, Brent's Place will be opening a second building, Brent's

Place Too. If you've been here since May, you'll likely have seen the construction going on right in our backyard. When Brent's Place Too opens, we will be able to serve double the amount of families that we can serve today.

In order to be ready for this, we are going to be spending a lot of time planning and making changes to best serve our families, volunteers, and staff.. Some changes in particular that you should know about now are as follows:

1. We will be hiring a receptionist, hopefully this month! If you or anyone you know is interested in being a part of the Brent's Place Staff, please see our website or contact a staff member who can get you the relevant information.
2. We are implementing volunteer management software! Taking volunteers' needs into account, this portal will allow you to sign up for events and manage your own calendar, so that you're always in the know on available opportunities. More information can be found on the next page!



Caitlin and Neveah have fun at the Holiday Boutique!



Our generous donors made sure families had an amazing holiday season!



Santa Chloe roams the halls at Brent's Place!

Introducing Volunteer Hub

“Brent's Place is an amazing facility that not only looks out for the children's welfare, it provides families a home. While everything else in our lives seemed out of control we found comfort in knowing that we had a home where our family could find a sense of normalcy. What makes Brent's Place such an amazing place are the people who work and volunteer here.”

“Brent's Place is like an island in a storm. Our home here is the one constant that we can count on during this journey. The kindness and support has been amazing.”

Volunteer Hub is Brent's Place new volunteer management software. Having this portal will allow our volunteers to manage their own schedule, as well as see opportunities to get involved that you may not even know exist!

To begin, we ask all volunteers to create their account with their most up to date information at **brentsplace.volunteerhub.com**. As Brent's Place volunteers, you may enter the code “**BP Current**” (for an-

one who has volunteered for Brent's Place before) or “**BP Approved**” (if you have undergone a background check, shadow training shift, AND orientation) when prompted to automatically be able to see opportunities available to you.

You will notice many events may be reserved, meaning that they have already been scheduled, or you may not meet the qualifications for that particular shift. If you feel like you are seeing

something is reserved in error, please don't hesitate to contact me at **dtraxler@brentsplace.org**

I am indescribably grateful for your patience and understanding. I know that organizational change can be difficult for everyone involved, and I know that many, many of our volunteers have been with us through many changes, and I believe that this will be a great change for everyone.

If you have any concerns or would like any help with this process, don't hesitate to let me know.

-Devin

An example to help you get started!

Step 1. Click on the Sign In link.

Step 2. Click on the Register button.

Step 3. Create your username and password and click on the Next button.

Step 4. If you have one, enter the Join Code provided by the organization and click on the Next button. Otherwise, leave blank.

Step 6. Answer all the profile set-up questions and click on the Next button.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and energy in December, and in 2016!

To follow along with all our kids and see what they are doing everyday please follow us on facebook at www.facebook.com/BrentsPlacedenver



The inaugural crazy sweater party!



Trey loves his gifts!



Brent's Place Too as of the summer—things look a lot different now!

Here's to another great year at Brent's Place!



Chloe couldn't wait to open presents!