



**Huckleberry**  
HOUSE



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**Central Ohio  
Chapter Community  
Service Award  
2022**

NARI of Central Ohio selected to remodel the second floor of Huckleberry House as our 2022 Community Service Project.

Huckleberry House is a 24/7 crisis shelter offering a temporary safe place to stay for teens ages 12 to 17. “Huck House” offers three hot meals a day, a warm bed, and access to individual and family counselors. The compassionate staff are ready and willing to listen and help, no matter the circumstance. On average, 500+ youth pass through the Columbus, Ohio shelter every year. Money that comes to Huck House goes to programs and staffing. Updating the house is not a priority.

NARICO became aware of the need for an update at Huck House when a staffer working on a remodel at her own home paid a visit to Bath Works where she met Robin Welsh, showroom manager and Community Service Chairperson. A tour of the second floor was arranged and the need was quite evident. Each room had a different type of flooring, frayed carpet, peeling laminate, and areas worn to the subfloor. The bedrooms had industrial bunk beds and desperately needed to be painted. The bathrooms were completely disorganized and had no storage.

The initial plan was to install new flooring throughout, paint all rooms, and build storage bins for the bathrooms. As we learned more about the great services provided by Huck House we decided we could do more. A decision was made to revamp the entire second floor. Walls were moved and hall closets were opened to create a new gathering space.

Todd Schmidt, MCR, UDCP from NJW Renovations Unlimited stepped up as Project Manager. He and his co-worker Rochelle Stallings, did a fantastic job scheduling 40+ volunteers. NARI members contributed \$92,000 in labor and materials for the job. From planning to completion the project took 16 months, the actual construction took two months. In addition to removing walls to create more space, new flooring, and freshly painted walls, wiring was replaced and plumbing was rerouted.

NARI volunteers were able to transform the space from cold and sterile into a warm and inviting home-like atmosphere. The gratitude of the staff is heartwarming and our Chapter is humbled and proud to help this wonderful organization.



Window signs



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New wall



Paint volunteers



Professional painter



Before



After



Before



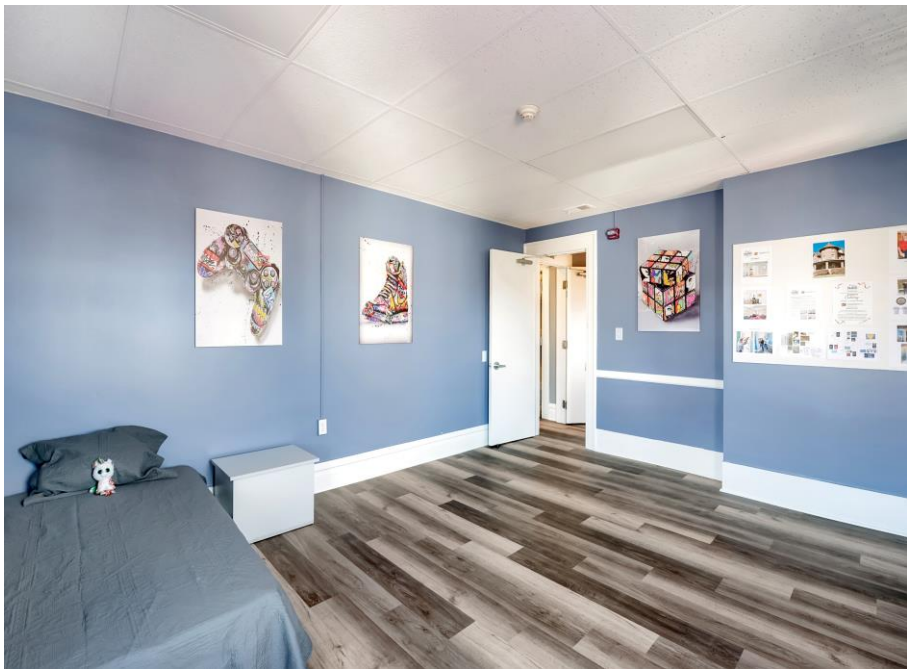
After



“Pink Room” Before



Overflow Girls Room



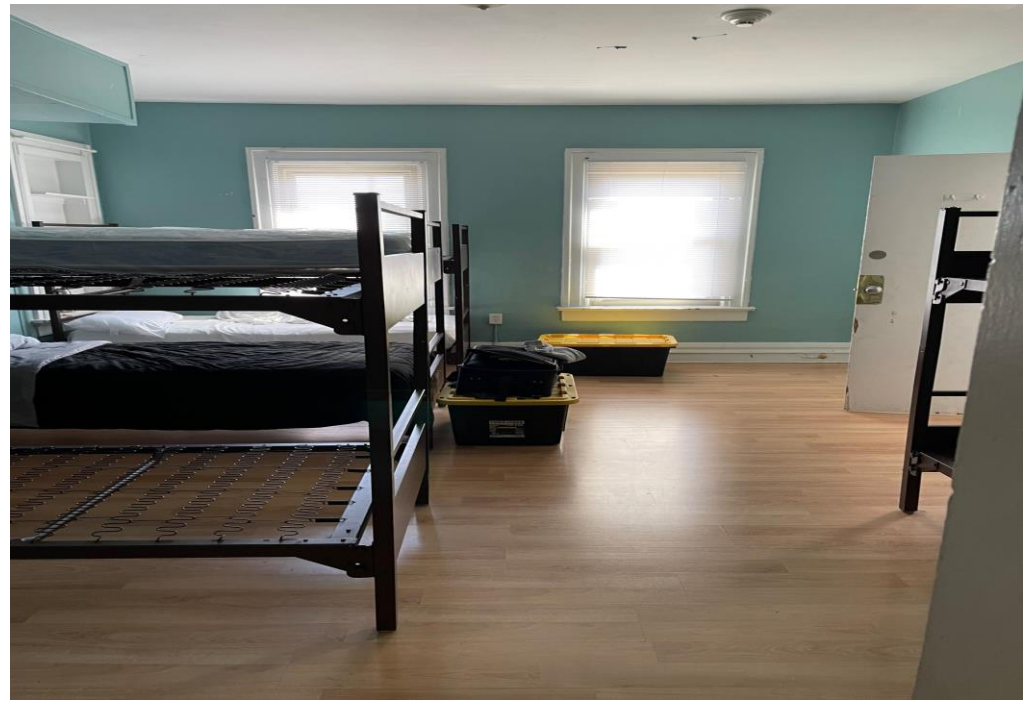
Former Pink Room



New Lounge



Girls Before



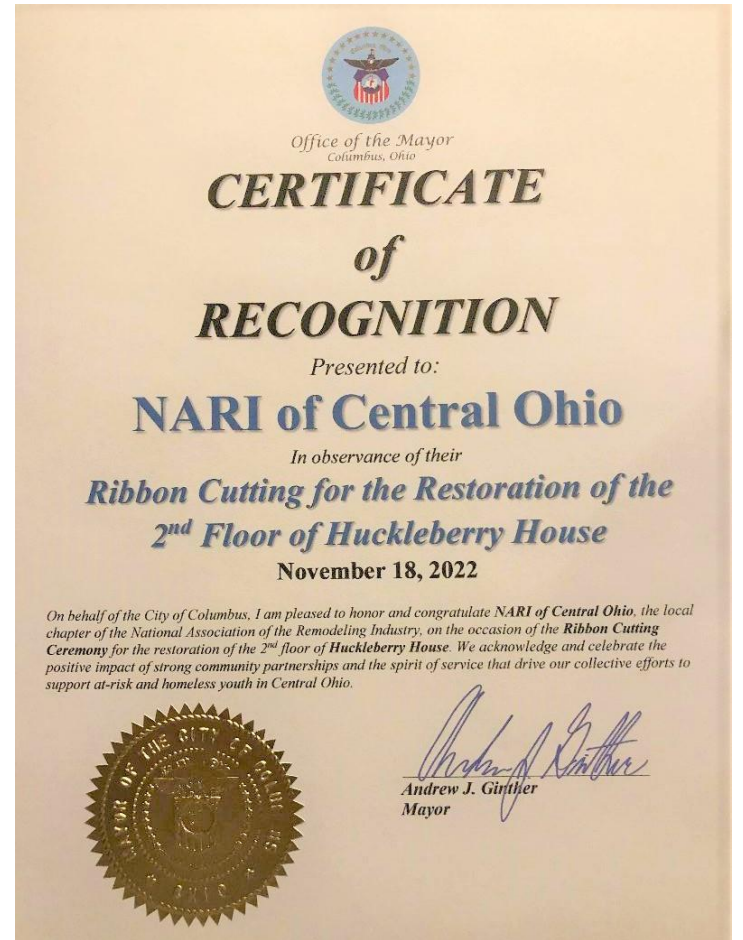
Boys Before



Girls After



Boys After





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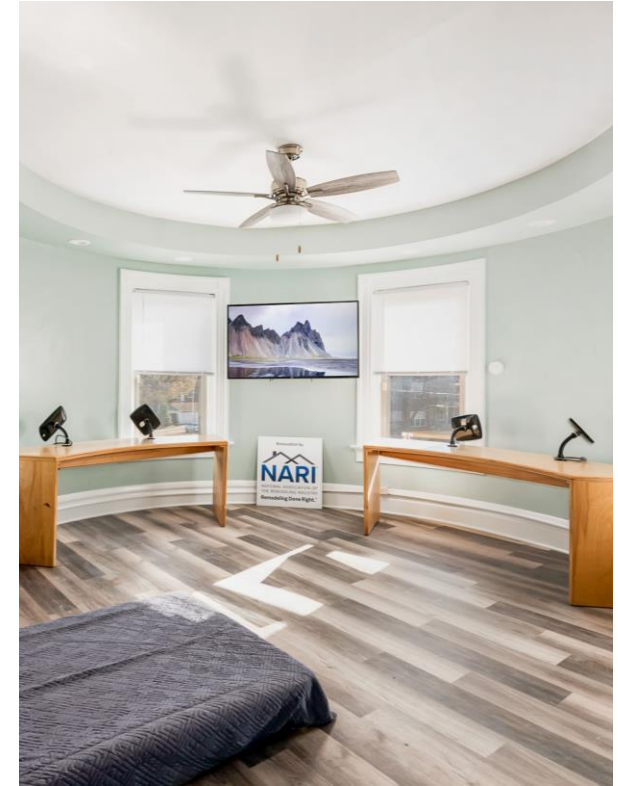
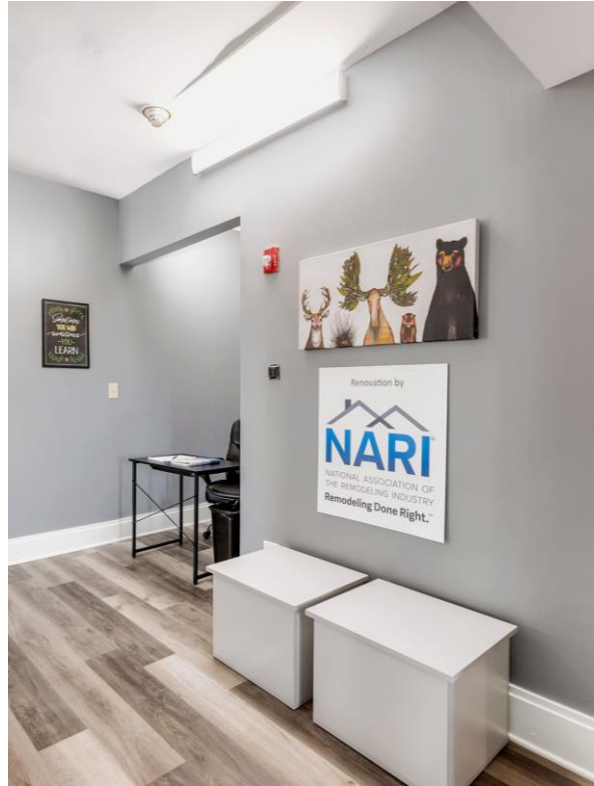
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