

SMALL Talk around Columbus

Volume 1



SMALL Talk - WELCOME

The SMALL Talk team is so excited to announce that we are officially starting to enroll interested moms and babies around the Columbus area to be a part of our project! The goal of our project is to understand language development among children over the course of four and half years. We are looking for moms with babies 7-9-months old, so if you're interested or know someone who may be let us know at 614-421-7541 or email us at SMALLTalk@osu.edu. See you around Columbus!

Little Bottoms Free Store and SMALL Talk on the West Side

You may have seen the SMALL Talk team in Franklinton at the Little Bottoms Free Store! Thanks to Pastor Allyssa Graves, SMALL Talk has been attending the free store to talk to moms interested in joining the project. Little Bottoms serves families with children under three years old and pregnant women in the Franklinton area. Find out more about Little Bottoms by contacting info@centralcity.co or check out their website [here](#)! Also check out 10TV's [story](#) on Little Bottoms, and you might even spot a SMALL Talk flyer and staff member!

The free store is open every Thursday from 6:30 - 8 p.m., except for holidays. They are located at 89 West Park Avenue.

Little Bottoms Free Store is the ministry of [Central City Church](#), a United Methodist Church, done in partnership with [West Park UMC](#), [Bottoms Up Coffee](#), [CelebrateOne](#) and other neighborhood partners.

Homemade Playdough Recipe

Does the cold weather have you spending a lot of time at home? Try this fun and easy Playdough recipe for your kids!

Ingredients

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water
- 2 tsp cream of tarter
- 1/3 cup salt
- 1 TBS vegetable oil
- Gel food coloring

Instructions

1. Mix together all the ingredients, except for the food coloring, in a medium saucepan.
2. Cook over low/medium heat, stirring. Once it begins to thicken, add the food coloring.
3. Continue stirring until the mixture is much thicker and begins to gather around the spoon.
4. Once the dough is not wet, remove and put onto wax paper or a plate to cool.
5. After cooling (30 minutes) knead playdough for a few seconds. PLAY!
6. Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.



'Tis the Season

Getting ready for the holidays?

St. Stephen's Community House – Christmas Cares registration begins Thursday, November 14 at 10 AM for food only.

Want to register for Firefighters 4 Kids toys? Stay updated by following the link [here](#). If you would like to register for toys and food, it is recommended to wait until toy registration is open so you are able to do it all in one trip. **If you come in and register for food before toy registration is open, you will have to come in again and register for toys separately.**

Visit the Christmas Cares, Union Shares [page](#) to learn more about registering to receive a food basket, donating, or volunteering from December 10th – 15th.

Looking for more activities around the Columbus area? Check out the events on Columbus Metropolitan Library's page [here](#). From Storytime to Homework Help Centers, check your local library for dates and times of fun free activities.

Join Urban Stings at Columbus Metropolitan Library – Martin Luther King on Saturday, December 7th from 3 – 4 PM as they celebrate the holidays. [Click for more info.](#)



Columbus Commons Holiday Lights

Enjoy the festive lights at [Columbus Commons](#) from November 22 through January 5, EVERY DAY from dusk until to 11 pm. Stop by after a to see more than 400,000 LED lights dazzle in the park, thanks to our wonderful partnership with.

To sweeten the deal, Fridays in December will be a little extra festive, with free hot chocolate and carousel rides. Plus, you'll hear the music of the season with musicians roaming around the park. You can find that extra bit of holiday cheer on these dates: Friday, December 6 - Friday, December 13 - Friday, December 20.