

Madison Christian Health and Developmental Services, Inc. (MCHDS) DBA: Legacy of Hope Family Center (LHFC)

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MISSION

Madison Christian Health and Developmental Services, Inc. aims to enhance the well-being and emotional resilience of displaced families residing in Jefferson County, Indiana, by offering a range of health and human services. Our mission includes identifying and addressing the specific needs of the local population, such as facilitating access to supportive housing, and affordable housing. Additionally, we focus on identifying gaps in existing services, determining the necessary resources to address these gaps, and implementing strategies to obtain them.

VISION

The Legacy of Hope Family Center was born from the vision of four sisters, inspired by their parents, the late Reverend Jesse T. Jenkins and Mrs. Brenette Jenkins. Their legacy aims to offer quality housing to the residents of Jefferson County, Indiana, who face housing displacement. The Center is dedicated to providing immediate and easily accessible affordable housing for families, particularly those headed by parents with children, who require short-term transitional accommodations. Our mission is to create a secure, nurturing, and supportive environment where families can transition smoothly into independent living.

GOALS

1. Transfer housing units into the NFP for community development

- Analyze and develop housing programs that meet the deficits of Jefferson County and submit programs for the Conditional Use
- 3. Intake families referred by other service providers experiencing housing crisis
- 4. Loving support that offers hope and help that leads to healthy living to inspire hope and reduces recidivism into services.
- 5. Reduce the number of families leaving the community for safe housing
- 6. Facilitate coordination of programs and materials for education, employment, counseling and other
- 7. Provide local and state resources to prepare families for transitioning into independent living
- 8. Recognize and develop partnerships, housing oversight and funding sources
- 9. Rehabilitate the dilapidated housing structures to bring community value
- 10. Ultimately provide funding opportunities for minorities in Jefferson County for education, housing and entrepreneurship.

SERVICES

LHFC is committed to offering secure and inviting accommodation for families facing precarious situations in Madison. Our Center will provide communal living spaces and meals to families on the brink of displacement. Upon arrival, families will undergo a needs assessment, guiding them to appropriate community resources. We approach the transition to temporary housing with optimism, aiming to address underlying needs and minimize reliance on services. Should families require resources, we will assist in their acquisition and develop personalized transition plans. During their stay, families will be empowered to cultivate skills, seek employment, and foster independence, contributing positively to Jefferson County. Continuous evaluation will ensure progress and success in our mission.

IMPACT

The Legacy of Hope Family Center (LHFC) is dedicated to empowering families in Jefferson County to maintain their lives within their own community, preserving their dignity and normalcy to the best of their ability. Our personalized support approach ensures that families receive person-centered assistance, including referrals to services that facilitate

stability and eventual transition to permanent housing. By offering transitional housing, LHFC mitigates displacement and provides a safe and nurturing environment for families to heal and rebuild. Residing at LHFC reduces stress and alleviates mental and emotional strain. As a result, the community benefits from reduced street homelessness, lower rates of recidivism to support services. Offering hope will diminish substance abuse and decline in suicidal ideation. By supporting families in need, LHFC contributes to addressing the housing deficit within the community.

CORE VALUE

- We affirm that access to room and boarding houses is essential for families facing sudden housing displacement.
- We recognize the importance of stability and routine in maintaining social, emotional, and economic well-being during times of crisis.
- We hold the belief that with the right support and opportunities during transitional periods, individuals can achieve independence and contribute positively to their community.
- We advocating for the utilization of housing units owned by MCHDS to address housing challenges and make a meaningful impact on our community.
- We acknowledge that life's unexpected challenges can affect anyone, and the presence of LHFC in Jefferson County can make a difference in the lives of families in need.

NETWORK

During LHFC's continued developmental stage, MCHDS will be engaged with key supportive service agencies in Jefferson County. These agencies, recognized as potential referral partners, are committed to aiding families in sustaining their livelihoods, familial ties, church affiliations, and access to existing support networks. In collaboration with LHFC, community services offers a range of resources including

assistance with housing, job searches, credit counseling, educational opportunities, family counseling, preparation for home ownership, family support services, and more.

Salvation Army

Safe Passage

Churches: varied

Clearing House: varied

La Casa Amiga

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Schools

United Way

Boys and Girls Club

Big Brother/Sister Org.