

A Community of Hope

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Transforming the lives of abused and at-risk children, young adults and families by empowering them to create new choices and new hope in a caring community.



Vision:

To break the cycle of abuse and neglect by mending spirits and renewing hope

Core Values:

•A deep appreciation of our history and longstanding roots in the community.

•Hold ourselves to high moral and ethical standards inspired by our duty to the community and our never wavering mission to be of service to those in need.

- •A careful steward of all that is entrusted to us.
- Develop best-in-class solutions to enrich as many lives as possible with high-quality services.
- •Enhance the wellbeing of children, young adults and families through transformative healing relationships and hope.
- Treat all with kindness, compassion, and respect.



Our Programs Include:

Therapeutic Foster Care (0-18)

- Large Sibling Groups
- Pregnant & Parenting
- Transitional Living
- Education Support
- Post-Secondary Scholarship
- Sibling Preservation
- Clinical and behavioral health

Homeless Services (18-24)

- Transitional Living
- Rapid Re-Housing
- Family Support
- Education Support
- Post-Secondary Scholarship
- Clinical and behavioral health
- Drop in Center

Child Sex Trafficking Victims (under 18)



Therapeutic Residential Foster Care

A safe and high-quality home environment and individualized holistic care are the hallmarks of this program.







Pregnant and Parenting Teen

A stable and healthy environment to guide at-risk teens through their pregnancy and motherhood while ensuring the child does not come into foster care and remains safe.





Transitional Living

A program designed to help successfully integrate youth (age 15-18) into society with important life skills as they prepare to age out of foster care.





Sibling Preservation

Preserving sibling bonds of children separated within the foster care system through specialized events and activities to enhance their relationships.





Supportive Housing

Serving homeless young people with high-quality housing, intensive case management, mentorship and support services.





Rapid Re-Housing

Assisting homeless single parents with children or families with housing in their own community apartment.





Family Support

Assists families with education, employment and strengthening relationships to reduce the chances of family separation.









Scholarship

Post-secondary educational support for all former residents/clients to support their goals while increasing self-sufficiency through careers and professions.









579 total youth served OUT OF THE 66 KIDS IN OUR THERAPEUTIC RESIDENTIAL FOSTER CARE PROGRAM

89.4%

HAVE SUFFERED FROM ONE OR MORE TYPES OF ABUSE.

IN AN EFFORT TO PROVIDE HOPE & HEALING, WE HAVE





HELD 1195+ HOURS OF PSYCHOSOCIAL REHABILITATION SERVICE CLASSES







INDIVIDUALS SERVED IN OUR HOUSING & SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM



RESULTS That Matter























The Intersection



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Child Sex Trafficking

- Commercial sexual exploitation of children (also known as child sex trafficking) involves the:
 - Recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, or advertising of a minor child for the purpose of a commercial sex act.
- Traffickers often prey upon a child's vulnerability and use psychological pressure, violence and intimidation to control the child for financial benefit relating to their sexual exploitation.
- Child sex trafficking has devastating consequences for its victims, including long-lasting physical and psychological trauma, disease, or even death.
- Children with adverse childhood experiences such as abuse and neglect, living in foster care and/or in the juvenile justice system are at heightened risk.



State of Nevada

Limited data resources on the true number of victims

Nevada CSEC Coalition

Based on the 2019 Coalition Strategic Plan:

- Nevada is a major destination for child exploitation
- Nevada ranked 10th in the nation for the number of human trafficking cases reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline in 2017
 - At least 92% of the 199 cases involved sex trafficking, and 23% of the 199 involved minors.
- FBI's Innocence Lost Initiative identified Las Vegas as one of thirteen High Intensity Child Prostitution Areas.

Nevada's Online Commercial Sex Market (NOCSM)

- > Nevada is among the top ten states for youth who are prostituted.
- The study found that Nevada led the nation in the number of sex providers per capita.



2019 Coalition Strategic Plan

Objective 2b. Provide a holistic continuum of care for CSEC, including quality placement options with secure funding sources. Strategy

2b.2. Facilitate the development of specialized treatment foster homes, specialized group homes and specialized residential treatment for CSEC; and the identification of secure funding.

"The longer you stay, the less hope you have". -16-year-old trafficking victim



June 2020 Report

Arizona State University and

Las Vegas Metro Police Department Study





Our Response

St. Jude's Ranch for Children is planning to create the first of its kind-Healing Center based on:

- History-over 50 years serving children and youth with complex trauma
- *Knowledge*-Highly experienced leadership team
- *Track Record*-Proven program outcomes
- *Resources*-Land, staffing and industry knowledge
 - \circ $\,$ Use of 11 acres of existing 38 acres of land $\,$
- Partnership-State and local partners to include Clark County Department of Family Services, Social Services and Juvenile Justice Services

The Healing Center will provide specialized and holistic care for child victims of sex trafficking to break the cycle of abuse and neglect and transition these young people from victim to survivor and then thriving.

Boulder City Campus

Existing Residential Program

Lot for the Healing Center



Healing Center

A one of a kind residential program to provide hope and healing to child victims of sex trafficking





Proposed Residential Home



Healing Center Proposal

Campus will include:

•Administration building with emergency shelter (approx. 4,110 sq. ft.)

- •Multi-purpose building (approx. 6,000 sq. ft.)
 - On-site school
 - Computer lab
 - $\,\circ\,$ Yoga and meditation room
 - Physical fitness room
 - \circ Courtyard
- Large residential home (approx. 4,640 sq. ft.)
- Smaller residential home (approx. 3,700 sq. ft.)
- Estimated cost \$15million dollar project



Nevada Elks Request

***** 2020

- o \$30,000 towards Camp to Belong
- Not spent as no approved plan to date
- ***** 2021
 - Camp to Belong-statewide impact for children separated in foster care
 - Healing Center-statewide placements for children in need
 - Foster Care-development for community foster homes and campus support





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