

NEWSWORTHY UPDATES

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YASS IS SHOWING SUCCESS



The Youth Aging Support Services of Jacob Transition Safe House Inc. (JTSH) has been

growing by leaps and bounds. Since the program's inception, the program has housed and transitioned several female residents both on short term and potential long-term basis. The short-term basis allows individuals to have emergency placement until they are properly placed in the community. The YASS program works as a third-party provider in conjunction with Children Services Network to ensure that youth aging out of the foster care program can be supported through one of the Extended Foster Care (EFC) or educational program called PEZZ. JJTSJ has housed eight residents since its inception. At present, JTSH has three female residents that are presently pursuing different levels of independence i.e.: completing high school/GED diploma or pending upcoming college enrollment. The program's success is based upon individuals who have made sound decisions that has helped them make

a difference. Congratulations for residents, whose identities will remain withheld, that have made successful transition into the community.

BJ, a female, who initially came to the program pregnant with child in March 2021. She participated in the EFC gained employment at a local gas station. During that period, she worked right up to her delivery and maintained her employment status. This past September, she delivered a beautiful baby girl. She describes herself as being "frugal" saved her funds and with support from JTSH and her extended family transitioned into the community this past October.

SJ, a female moved in May 2021, a young woman who demonstrated much independence throughout her time residing at JTSH. Within a week of her arrival, she obtained employment at a convenient store as a clerk. With her desire for a better life, she pursued job opportunities that paid better. After, five months of gainful employment, she recently transitioned out of Collier County.

Special Congratulations to a current resident LE, young old female who joined our program in July 2021. LE, a very quiet but smart young lady, studied and successfully completed and obtained her GED by September! We are so excited for her as she awaits acceptance to Florida South West to pursue a degree in the field of social work. Also, we are looking forward to the birth of her "new baby" due in 2022.

RECOVERY PROGRAM EXPANSION - NEW HOUSE



In the month of November, Jacob Transition Safe House Inc. (JTSH) recently expanded their program to include a new home which was purchased to support the program's residential needs. The three bedrooms/2.5 bathrooms, (fully occupied) home houses female residents who are currently on their road to recovery from substance abuse. With support from JTSH community

partners, a small tour and blessing of the home was held the weekend leading up to Thanksgiving with members from <u>Trinity Community Church of Naples</u>. This is event was held for the residents to share their new home and for JTSH to give thanks to our heavenly father for providing us with a new home.

JTSH serves as a third-party provider whose desire is to help break the cycle of substance abuse that often plague our youth that age out of the foster care program. JTSH offers a residential program for adults who are recovering from substance abuse. We have housed 1000s of men and women over the past 25 years. Our hope is to educate and introduce community partners that can offer services prior to residents transition into the community.

HOLIDAY SEASON IS COMING!



Jacob Transition Safe House is a not-for-profit Organization 501 3 © that serves the needs of others that are seeking the opportunity to uplift themselves and regain self-confidence and a second chance of rebuilding their lives. We serve as a conduit to the youth that have aged out and have just began finding their place in the world, which can be a scary place without any support or guidance.

As a community partners, your financial support will play an integral part in ensuring their path is paved for success. We need your support. If you want to learn more about supporting our efforts contact us. We are accepting donations and it is tax deductible.