

RESPONSIBILITIES OF RESIDENTS:

1. Remain alcohol/drug free (subject to random testing).
2. Attend Alcohol Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous meetings, outpatient Drug/Alcohol Counseling (as directed by treatment counselor).
3. Payment of room and board, fines and other financial responsibilities.
4. Maintain full time employment. (on the books)
5. Follow the rules of parole/probation.
6. Full participation as well as compliance to the mandates of the program as outlined in the Handbook.
7. Mandatory attendance at House meetings.
8. Present at scheduled dinner meals.
9. Maintaining and cleaning of the house/property and helping with preparation of meals.
10. Attendance of a Church of choice on weekends is highly encouraged.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RESIDENT:

In addition to paying their room and board residents are also held accountable for their child support payments, court costs/fines and treatment fees. Residents are also required to save money while they are at Stephen's Place in preparation to integrate into the community.

DONATIONS:

Donations to this nonprofit organization can be made payable to Stephen's Place Inc. at:

STEPHEN'S PLACE INC.

729 Ridge Street
Bethlehem, PA 18015
Phone 610-861-7677

E-mail: vlongcope@msn.com

Donations can be made by PayPal online

www.stephens-place.org

The official registration and financial information of Stephen's Place Inc. may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Contact the Director:

Sr. Virginia Longcope MSC, LSW,
a Missionary Sister of the Sacred Heart,
at the above address.



MISSION STATEMENT

Stephen's Place believes that men coming out of prison should have a safe, spiritual environment in order to address early recovery from substance abuse as well as develop personal life skills. Therefore, Stephen's Place provides a Half-Way House to help these men transition back into the community as productive citizens.

HISTORY

Stephen's Place evolved out of Sister Virginia Longcope's experience with a young man who was eligible for parole but needed a place to live.

PROGRAM

The environment and program foster a sense of personal responsibility thereby empowering the residents to live freely and responsibly once they leave Stephen's Place.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE:

1. Non-violent offenders with a history of substance abuse.
2. Males, 18 years of age or older.
3. A willingness to work toward positive change.
4. Be in need of a safe environment.
5. A willingness to commit to a 12 step recovery programs and participate in recommended treatment services.
6. Capable of attaining full-time employment

CASE MANAGEMENT:

Each resident, upon arrival at Stephen's Place will be assessed for their individual needs and financial responsibilities. A goal plan will be outlined. The residents' cooperation with this plan will be a condition of their stay at the House.

VOLUNTEERS:

Volunteers and college interns, as well as other interested community members will be solicited to assist in program needs, transportation, preparation of meals as well as clerical work.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

1. Provide a supportive, transitional, family model that will include counseling, twelve step program relapse prevention and basic life skills training.
2. Coordinate residents with educational, vocational, drug/alcohol and rehabilitation services in the community.
3. Assist residents in securing employment and provide job readiness training.
4. Provide training in financial management and budgeting.
5. Provide a spiritual dimension based on the transforming power of God, being sensitive to the religious beliefs and practices of the residents.

REFERRALS:

Residents will be recruited by the recommendation of the prison systems, parole systems and drug and alcohol treatment centers. Self referrals will be reviewed. Anyone convicted of a violent crime, sex crime or arson will not be eligible for this program. All referrals will be assessed for their suitability for the program by the Director of the program or qualified designee.

SECURING EMPLOYMENT:

The residents will be responsible to secure employment. The residents will also be taught the basic skills necessary to secure and maintain employment.

DISCHARGE FROM STEPHEN'S PLACE:

1. Using, selling, distributing drugs/alcohol, having drugs/alcohol in the House, on the premises, in the community or on the resident.
2. Threatening conduct towards the staff, residents, or anyone in the community.
3. Consistent violations of the house rules/ parole guidelines.

CRITERIA FOR SUCCESSFUL DISCHARGE:

1. Successful completion of the program 90 days.
2. Employment.
3. Appropriate housing.
4. Participation in a recovery program.