



## **Whittington Homes & Services for Children and Families, Inc.**

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### **PLACEMENT OPENINGS**

**TO: D.C.S. Supervisors and Case Managers, Juvenile Probation Officers, DOC, CASA's, and Private Agencies that refer for children/family benefits.**

#### **YOUTH INTENSIVE CARE:**

Youth Intensive Care Specialists provide services 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. YIC Specialists prepare and assist youth with daily living, education, and therapeutic skills through group work. Clinical interventions are used to stabilize youth to achieve successful outcomes. Youth attend weekly Social Skills and Clinical groups.

- **Males or Females including Sibling Groups ages 6 to 13 yrs.**

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#### **TRANSITIONAL LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM:**

Technicians provide services 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. In an apartment setting, Residents learn to take responsibility for their own cooking, housekeeping, shopping, budgeting, and childcare. Residents are prepared for self-sufficiency with education and employment goals. Each resident is assigned a case manager. Assistance and guidance is provided through case management to help residents achieve individual goals. Monthly transportation is available for Home Visits. Weekly in-house services include: *Thinking For a Change/Emotions, Focused Skills Building Group, Parenting Group, Independent Living Skills Group, Computer Skills Group, Tutoring, and Linking with Community Resources.*

- **Females ages 14 to 21 yrs. Pregnant, Parenting, or Non-Parenting**

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#### **SCATTERED SITES APARTMENT PROGRAM:**

The Scattered Sites Apartment program offers young men and women who are 18 and older an opportunity to live on their own in the community with financial, educational, and emotional support. The goal of the program is for the youth to progress with decreasing supervision. In a community apartment setting, Whittington provides the client with financial assistance, limited supervision, independent life skills training, case management, and counseling services. The youth may be parenting.

- **Males or Females, ages 17 to 21 yrs.**

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#### **HOME-BASED INTENSIVE FAMILY PRESERVATION/REUNIFICATION:**

This program offers therapeutic intervention and skill building training to families. The goal of Family Preservation is to remove the risk of harm to the child instead of removing the child from the home. The goal of Reunification is to establish a safe and viable permanency plan for children who are being reunified with their family after a period of out-of-home placement. Services are available 24 hours/ 7 days a week. The caseloads are small with services delivered in-home.

- **Families**

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#### **THERAPEUTIC FOSTER CARE PROGRAM:**

This program provides therapeutic care in a licensed foster care parent home. The program works on a team approach, which includes family of origin, referral agent, therapeutic foster parents, and other service providers. Case managers provide weekly home visits, 24 hour on-call status, court appearances. Case managers prepare quarterly treatment plans/reviews and progress updates for the court. Adolescents work on independent daily living skills based on the Ansell-Casey Life Skills Assessment and Curriculum. We have had several successes with reunifying youth with their families.

- **Males or Females infant to 21 yrs.**

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