

MISSION

Choose Love. Celebrate Life. A Foundation for Youth and Families, Inc. (CLCL Foundation) provides a haven of support and resources for at-risk youth in Ocean and Monmouth Counties. Through its core services of a “Warm Line,” outpatient community groups, and on-site temporary sheltering services, we offer evidence-based, trauma-informed triage services, in a judgment-free, safe, and nurturing environment. Our mission is to empower youth and families in crisis, bridging the gap to vital resources and uplifting our diverse community through genuine partnerships and coalition building.

At CLCL, we believe in the transformative power of love and celebration of life. We strive to create a nurturing environment that fosters growth, resilience, and a sense of belonging for youth and families before, during, and after crisis. Our ultimate goal is to empower every individual we serve to lead fulfilling lives and contribute positively to their communities, prevent runaway and youth homelessness, trafficking, family crises, and child maltreatment.

**CLCL Foundation is a
federally tax exempt
501(c)(3) public charity.**

**Together we can RESTORE
SAFE HAVEN ACCESS**

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VISION

CLCL Foundation envisions helping every teenager in Monmouth and Ocean Counties feel safe, supported, and embedded in their community, prevent runaway and youth homelessness, trafficking, family crises, and child maltreatment by strengthening youth & families.

THE FOUNDERS' BOARD

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**We ARE the CHANGE we want to see in
the world.**

- ◇ Together we bring **over 57 years'** worth of experience working with our target population of youth 10-19, their families, crisis intervention, case management, and family services.
- ◇ Together we bring **over 33 years** of specialized education, continuing education trainings not included .
- ◇ Together we've contributed **over 30 years** of volunteer work for our local communities' youth and families.
- ◇ Our Founder and Board Chair is a former foster child, adopted youth, and a teenage runaway.
- ◇ Our Board Treasurer was the Residential Counselor on shift that winters night she ran to safe harbor.
- ◇ All our Founding Board Members worked or volunteered at the same Emergency Youth Shelter that is now closed.



**Turning HELPLESSNESS
into POWER!**

CLCL Foundation

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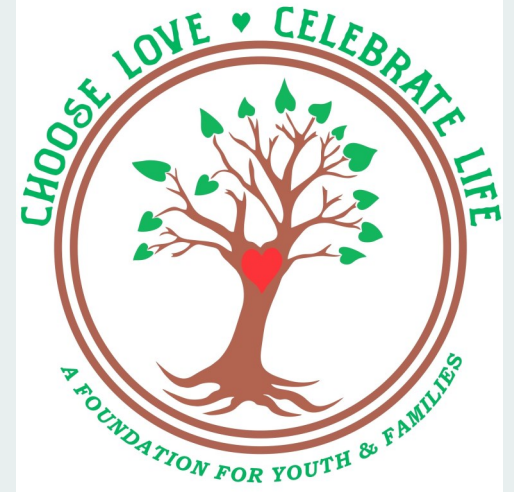
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Together we can
reduce risk, prevent
negative outcomes,
and promote family
wellness.

CLCL FOUNDATION



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*Turning HELPLESSNESS into
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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! JOIN US and
help create community-driven change.**

WE RECOGNIZE THE DANGERS A LACK OF ACCESS CAN CAUSE.

This lapse in access has already resulted in crisis for Ocean and Monmouth County youth & service providers.

- ◇ The Ocean County Youth Services Commission reported a lack of housing for youth and the consequences of limited options for those most in need of therapeutic on-site services.
- ◇ 1 suicide every 11 minutes; 2nd leading cause of death for youth 12-18.
- ◇ 1 in 30 youth ages 13-17 will experience homelessness each year.

Sponsor a Bed for a Year

- ◇ Featured place on website, in printed materials, & all social media accounts
- ◇ Additional shoutouts and emails every time the sponsored bed is used

All Donors Receive

- ◇ Recognition on the Website monthly account register & social media shouts
- ◇ Personal sense of contributing to the solution
- ◇ Knowing you've made a difference in the lives of youth and families

Our Services

Through a comprehensive approach that includes immediate evidence-based, trauma-informed triage services, outpatient community groups, and on-site temporary sheltering services, we prioritize the holistic well-being of each individual. We provide a continuum of care that bridges the gap to vital resources, embeds our services within the community, and uplifts others through genuine partnerships and coalition building.

PREVENTATIVE SERVICES

On-site Emergency Sheltering and Qualified Residential Treatment Program:

Coming June 2024

Offering

- ◇ 12 beds
- ◇ Intensive, time-limited interventions
- ◇ Case management
- ◇ Emotional, psychological, behavioral, & social therapeutic interventions
- ◇ Behavior modification program
- ◇ Evidence-based (EB) & Trauma-Informed practices
- ◇ Continuum-of-care & referrals
- ◇ Safe, stable, & nurturing environment
- ◇ Kinship care support services

Benefits

- ◇ Represents Tertiary Prevention
- ◇ Whole individual & family approach
- ◇ Bridges the gap from homelessness to permanent housing
- ◇ Builds resilience & development of healthy coping skills, life skills, & self-sufficiency
- ◇ Fosters a sense of belonging
- ◇ Empowers youth and families

Serving Populations (aged 10-19)

- ◇ Runaway youth 10-17
- ◇ Homeless youth 18-19
- ◇ Hospitalized youth transitioning home
- ◇ Respite & crisis prevention
- ◇ Active crisis intervention
- ◇ Neurodivergent & neurodevelopmental conditions
- ◇ Disruptive behavior disorders
- ◇ Trauma disorders
- ◇ Resource & kinship family systems

PREVENTATIVE SERVICES CONT...

Warm Line: Coming April 2024

Hot lines are for active crises & reporting allegations. Warm lines are for referrals and support. It does not have to be crisis. It is a powerful prevention tool. It is the first line of defense.

CLCL Foundation will connect those in need of items to the donation site and/or organization that provides that given need.

—CALLING ALL “HELPERS”!

- Represents our Primary Prevention
- Open to all in Ocean & Monmouth Counties
- Connects volunteers, food banks, local religious-affiliated, nondenominational, nonprofit, for-profit & government agencies.
- Instead of reporting on families for poverty-based deficiencies, neighbors & community members can *refer* them for donations
 - Over 70% of all allegations are Neglect, over 80% of all Neglect is poverty-based

Community Groups: Debut April 23, 2024

We are social creatures and thrive on connecting with like-minded or similar-experienced peoples. Community groups offer families weekly events to empower and increase cohesion. Other groups will focus on specific topics, such as Anger Management, or specific preventions, such as Substance Abuse. It is the second line of defense.

Groups will be open to all youth, families, and caregivers in Ocean & Monmouth Counties.

- Represents our Secondary Prevention
- Fun & free opportunity to engage as a whole family
- Increases family cohesion and connection
- Additional groups will offer evidence-based (EB), trauma-informed psychoeducation and support
- Peer-to-peer is an EB opportunity for adults and youth with lived experience to connect with others struggling with similar factors