

Transitional Living Program

Pentz Run Youth Services' Transitional Living Program is designed to meet the unique needs of youth who lack traditional familial housing and supports.

Youth may remain in the program until they are 21 years old as long as they are pursuing education and/or are working toward independence.

Services Include:

Each resident will have a primary counselor to review goals, behavior and progress; regularly reviewing ISP. Specialized counseling is provided by Pentz Run and/or community agencies.

Residents gain hands on experience in maintaining a household including; cooking, cleaning and personal finances. They are also able to complete/pursue education, work experience and career exploration. Youth will learn to become independent while still in a semi-supervised yet fully supportive environment.



Mission

“to provide a safe, secure, nurturing environment for male and female youth that require short or long-term alternatives to family living”

Pentz Run Youth Services, Inc. Believes that to lay the foundation for personal growth, a youth must possess an accurate assessment and development of his/her potential. Our program of services provides a highly structured, nurturing environment in which youth have the opportunity to grow socially, intellectually, physically, morally and spiritually.

Pentz Run provides youth the opportunity to begin putting their lives in order, by offering experiences that develop strengths and a sense of self worth, to enhance the potential for growth within the family unit and facilitate a successful return to the community.



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Programs Offered

- ◆ **Emergency Shelter Care**—short term; up to 30 days
- ◆ **Group Home**—long term
- ◆ **Respite Care**—2-5 day stay; based on need
- ◆ **Transitional Living Program**—long term housing; designed for older youth

Population Served

Co-ed facility

Shelter/Group/Respite—ages 10-18

Transitional Living—ages 16-21

Admission Criteria

Admission is determined on an individual basis, without discrimination to race, color, creed, handicap, sex or national origin. Referrals are accepted 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from various human service agencies as well as individual families.

Licensure

Pentz Run Youth Services, Inc. is licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare under Chapter 3800 Child Residential and Day treatment Facilities.

Services

Our services include:

- Independent living skills
- Individual/group and family counseling
- Daily guided groups
- Psychiatric consultation
- Psychological assessments
- Aftercare in-home services
- Referral and transportation to outpatient drug & alcohol counseling and/or mental health counseling

Education

It is the goal of Pentz Run Youth Services, Inc. to provide the least restrictive education setting to the youth residing in our program. Each youth is evaluated to determine his/her needs and readiness to attend school in a community setting. Pentz Run also has an on-site education program operated by the DuBois Area School District, for those youth who do not attend the public school.

The staff at Pentz Run Youth Services, Inc. maintain consistent contact with guidance counselors and teachers to ensure success in academic endeavors and school behavior.

Membership

United Way member Agency

DuBois Area Chamber of Commerce

Medical

An admission physical, dental and eye exam, hearing screening and EPSDT physical are provided within the first 30 days as required by regulations.

Recreation

Pentz Run utilizes the existing resources of the community in which they are part. This includes the YMCA, churches, athletic complexes, movie theatres, state parks, library and other cultural events within the community. All residents also have access to variety of indoor activities and a large outdoor activity area including a basketball court, volleyball area and garden.

Staff

Pentz Run Youth Services, Inc. has a highly qualified team of administrative and direct care staff. It is the goal of our staff to provide a supportive environment in which each youth may find success in developing positive behaviors. Our staff works closely with referring agencies, families and other supportive services to ensure continuity of care.

Our highly qualified administrative and direct care staff consists of: Administration and Primary Counselors holding, at minimum, a bachelor's degree in the human service field. Support staff have degrees, college credits and/or experience in the human service field.