

***About
Community Partners in Action***

Serving thousands of people each year, Community Partners in Action focuses on behavioral change and advocates for reform.

Together, our employment, basic needs and recovery services positively impact lives. Our programs help people learn to think differently and make better choices.

We help them address their substance abuse, mental health and basic needs. They prepare to become employable, re-engage in their education and improve their family relationships.

RisE's Mission

To provide a continuum of compassionate collaborative care that improves the health, recovery, and well-being of each adolescent and his family while in treatment and in the community.

The ultimate treatment outcome is for each adolescent to be successful in achieving significant behavioral change, remain abstinent from addictive substances and reintegrate into their family and community better equipped to effectively manage their lives.

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and to make a referral
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**Recovery is Empowering
995 Sherman Ave.
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**“A residential therapeutic
community for the integrated
treatment of adolescent males”**



RisE is a 12 bed substance abuse treatment program for boys ages 12-18 with a defined Substance Use Disorder that meets American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria for Residential Treatment. RisE provides up to 45 days of residential treatment in a safe and empowering environment that fosters recovery.

Referral sources for RisE include:

- Attorneys (Public or Private)
- Court Support Services Division including Family and Bail Services
- DCF
- Family Members
- Medical Professionals
- Probation or Parole Officers
- Social Workers

The youth must be willing to engage in treatment and undergo a physical examination prior to facility admission.

We Understand

Youth may develop harmful relationships with substances and experience significant stress:

- Personally
- Socially
- Within the family

Substance use can cause or exacerbate:

- Existing psychiatric disorders
- Peer group and family influences that distort social norms
- Life circumstances that create obstacles to their development

We Recognize

We recognize the importance of distinguishing adolescent needs and life experiences from those of adults:

- Each young person has a unique story that needs to be understood
- They need to be treated with respect, empathy and caring to facilitate and sustain engagement
- Their brains are still developing
- They lack the perspective gained through maturation
- The effects of trauma are intertwined with their substance use

We Respond

With understanding and recognize adolescent needs by:

- Acknowledging their inner experiences
- Helping them identify, label and express their feelings,
- Offering support, guidance and respect
- Instilling a sense of hope, self-respect and acceptance
- Listening carefully to their words and more importantly to their behavior
- Being culturally aware and responsive

Our Approach

Is to provide a safe, nurturing environment that fosters:

- A sense of community
- A sense of belonging
- Trust
- An ability to share honestly and openly

Our staff are:

- Attentive to the needs of young people
- Supportive of recovery
- Sensitive to personal trauma
- Most importantly, genuine

With a strong focus on relationship building:

- We engage adolescents
- Help them accept our care
- Learn to help them care for themselves

We maximize success by facilitating an experience that:

- Forms a meaningful relationship with at least one adult role model
- Creates a successful experience in the classroom
- Encourages a sense of hopefulness and self-efficacy
- Defines their unique relationship with substances and helps them envision life without them
- Provides personal wellness activities
- Identifies family need and realistic expectations
- Develops a clear plan for all aspects of their immediate future