



The Campaign for LSF Youth Shelters

"Beauty is a Silent Teacher"

Helping people build healthier, happier, and hope-filled tomorrows

Lutheran Services Florida touches nearly 1 in 50 Floridians every year through various programs including early education, youth shelters, foster care, refugee and resettlement services, substance abuse mental health services, adult guardianship, and more.

We create a world of...



SAFE CHILDREN

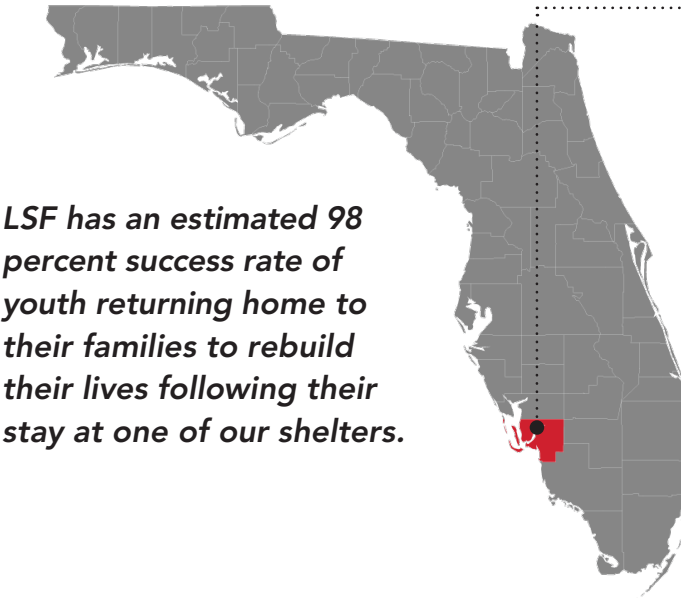


STRONG FAMILIES



VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

LSF youth shelters help at-risk youth, ages 10-17, with increasingly complex social and clinical issues such as exposure to family violence, physical and emotional trauma, human trafficking, substance abuse, behavioral struggles and more. Our goal is to provide a safe haven, through a broad range of residential and supportive services, to keep runaway and homeless youth out of the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. We educate and empower them in their own plans for success, while aiding in the transition to safe and appropriate living arrangements, promoting family reunification when possible.



LSF has an estimated 98 percent success rate of youth returning home to their families to rebuild their lives following their stay at one of our shelters.

© LSF's OASIS YOUTH SHELTER

LSF's Oasis Youth Shelter, located in Ft. Myers, has served the community since 1992. Oasis served over 150 youth last year, bringing critical services to teens and families in crisis.

Oasis Youth Shelter injects hope for better tomorrows by supporting at-risk youth and healing families that have been torn apart by conflict.



TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Imagine your child stepping into Oasis for the first time to receive support. How do you want them to feel?

"Beauty is a silent teacher."

This quote encapsulates the reality that the shelter environment, where life-giving services are provided, plays a significant role in our ability to positively impact the youth in our care. Where children go to sleep and where they wake up has an important impact on their mental well-being and growth.

Unfortunately, given the age of Oasis Shelter and program grant limitations – which cover room and board, staffing, transportation and daily needs – many ongoing facility needs are not covered, and we must seek private funds to meet them.

For this reason we are undertaking a capital campaign to bring beauty and operational integrity to the facility. This campaign will significantly enhance the aesthetics and programing capabilities for the most vulnerable youth who come through the doors, providing the optimal environment for program objectives to succeed.



We need your help to transform Oasis into a safe place that reflects and communicates the God-given value of each struggling young person who walks through the front door.

Oasis Youth Shelter Campaign Goal:
\$200,000



Before [LSF] I was lost. I was tired. I wasn't able to sleep, eat or smile when I got home. I wanted to disappear. I felt like I just didn't belong.

I thought everything would be better if I was GONE.

Now here at Oasis I feel more free, more open. I'm happier. I'm smiling more. It is giving me an opportunity to fix myself. This is a place where you can let go of all your stress, and is full of support. All the staff will have your back 100%. Those words before that you couldn't say to anybody would suddenly come out because you know that the people in this shelter are people you can trust.

This shelter hasn't just helped me to become a stronger person, but it has also become a HOME for me.

– Marc, 18-year-old shelter resident



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THANK YOU!