

Community Impact

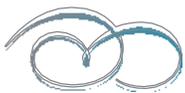
Our programs provide life-changing opportunities for Trinity's residents. We receive no local, state or federal support. While strengthening our community, the residents become contributing members of society who now have life and employment skills and are able to continue to live without costs to taxpayers. For some residents unable to cope outside of the structured, safe environment provided, Trinity is a long-term home and we've maintained 99% occupancy since 2010.

Funding

Trinity's annual operating funds come from a wide range of sources. Support comes from rent and utility payments by residents (66%); corporate, business and non-profit grants (20%), direct public support, including United Way (6%), fundraising (4%) and indirect public support and donations (4%), including contributions by 100% of Board Members. Trinity is a member agency of the United Way of Kootenai County, which provides continuing support. Other private donations and grants from regional foundations and civic groups such as Rotary, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, and Kiwanis provide support. Grants from national and corporate foundations support various aspects of our operation and capital improvement needs.

When residents fail and are hospitalized, homeless, or incarcerated, taxpayers pay these costs. If an individual requires hospitalization, costs range from \$67-\$512 per day, and incarceration ranges from \$52 - \$72 per day.

As reported in 2010, Kootenai County spends over \$6 million dollars annually on services to the homeless. Trinity operates at no cost to the taxpayers; we receive no local, state, or federal operating funds.



Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers take residents to medical and psychiatric appointments, meet with their Fiscal agent/Payee organizations, to AA, NA and group therapy sessions, or to tasks like grocery stores and shopping. Please call to help!

Knowing that their loved one is in a safe drug and alcohol free environment at Trinity, and is learning skills with which to cope and return to the community, relieves families from a major source of worry and concern.



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Since 1979, Trinity Group Homes' mission has been to provide caring, community supported housing for adults with programs that teach life skills. Our goal has been and is to ensure that adults with a severe and persistent mental illness have safe affordable housing in a supportive environment.



Overview

Our seven residential facilities in Coeur d'Alene and Post Falls operate as semi-independent homes. We collaborate with case management service providers to assist with medication compliance as well as with Community Based Rehabilitative Services (CBRS) specialists, therapists, peer support specialists and medical professionals. Housing is also provided for some participants in the Kootenai County Mental Health Court after background review.

Our goal is to enable residents to graduate from our semi-independent group living programs into community living.

Facilities

Each resident has a private room in one of our seven homes. Trinity operates two duplexes with 18 residents in Coeur d'Alene, and two homes in Post Falls. Construction of one duplex in Post Falls was funded by a USDA Rural Development loan and by a grant from the Inland Northwest Community Foundation; local non-profits and churches furnished the interior of the home. Our overall capacity is now 33 private resident rooms.

Building improvements have also been supported through grants from the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation and the Community Cancer Charities of Kootenai County.



Resident Support and Training

Trinity's staff also works 1 on 1 with residents in areas such as conflict resolution, budgeting, communication skills, boundary setting, symptom management, service navigation, etc. Our life skills program utilizes community based professionals, and St. Vincent staff to present a well-rounded curriculum.

Success measurements include the following: higher level of social interaction skills, increased sense of pride in their home environment, decrease in isolation, increased mental health coping skills, increased daily participation within the home setting; and improved medication management.

Life Skills Groups

Life skills groups meet weekly in our homes, driven by resident interest and facilitated by staff or a member of the community. During a weekly "game night" meals are planned and prepared by the residents.

Participation in our employment and life skills program enables residents to take advantage of educational opportunities and develop viable employment and social skills. With the aid of community mental health resources, our residents can become successful and contributing members of society.

Our Life Skills training program is been generously supported through grants from the United Way, BNSF Railroad, Union Pacific Railroad and the HECLA Foundation.



The valuable opportunities Trinity provides our residents allow them to develop vital employment and life skills and enable them to live independent and contributing lives.