



YOUTH EMPOWERMENT
SHELTER
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MISSION & VISION

The mission of Youth Empowerment Shelter is to provide youth ages 10 to 17 who are in crisis a place of physical and emotional safety while assisting them to build positive relationships and develop their individual potentials.

Y.E.S. offers:

- » Accommodations
- » Meals – 3+ per day
- » Family restoration assistance from certified mediators
- » House community of trained, supportive staff
- » Community service referrals
- » Parenting classes thru Wasco County Youth Services
- » Life skills training
- » Educational assistance
- » Option for spiritual guidance
- » Services to non-resident youth

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– PROGRAM OVERVIEW –

There are many factors that contribute to a youth becoming 'homeless.' Factors of economic hardship, changing family structures, substance abuse, missing or separated parents, mental health issues, values clashes, and other situations that make 'home' complicated and can trigger a situation that is too complex or fragile to manage. It doesn't really matter what the 'reason', a youth away from their family is in a very precarious position, vulnerable to many forms of danger.

Y.E.S. is licensed by DHS as a child caring agency, and staff are trained to provide support that addresses the needs of youth in a manner that empowers them to move toward adulthood with confidence. We work closely with the network of community service agencies in our area to find strategic interventions that address the issues contributing to the homeless situations. We often see hope come alive in these youth who then develop a vision for a path forward.

– GIVING OPPORTUNITIES –

DONATIONS

Our main source of income is from monthly donors who care about youth and believe that the work Y.E.S. does is a significant contribution to the life and health of our community.

DONATIONS –MAY BE MADE THROUGH:

- » **Website**
www.youthempowermentshelter.org,
- » **Mailed to: Y.E.S., PO Box 107, The Dalles, OR 97058.**
- » **Employers - Some employers provide giving incentives and make matching contributions to nonprofits.**

VOLUNTEERS - 4 TYPES:

- » **Skills sharing** – Come teach a craft or skill. Our staff will assist in the management of the household while you help the youth develop skills in a particular activity.
- » **Staffing** – Be a part of the schedule of staffing, carrying out the regular duties of management, supervision, and guidance of the youth.
- » **Board members** – Provide oversight and facilitation of the management of shelter affairs and business.
- » **Activities Assistance** – Help make plans and arrangements and provide support for special activities for fund raising or outings for the youth.

STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS PICTURED ABOVE:

BACK ROW L-R: Toni Cribbs, Gary Casady, Owen Lamp, Krystal Phillips, Henry Kelly, Paul Pickette, Jason Dean. FRONT ROW L-R: Kari Swearingen, Jessica Lamoreau, Linda Casady, Marhia Peterson, Ted Pitt. NOT SHOWN: Rose Kelly, Kathy Heightkemper, Doug Quisenberry, Fred Kirkman, Sylvia Hurtado