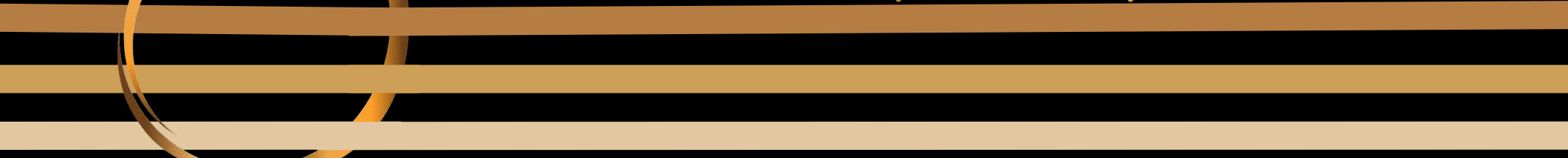


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A LETTER FROM OUR *President*

It is my honor to serve as the President and CEO of Youth Crisis Center as we celebrate 50 years of serving Northeast Florida's community. It was 1974 when Gwen Yates was an employee at the Duval County Juvenile Detention Center. Day after day, she noticed youth who were brought in for running away seemed to have longer stays than those of youth arrested for criminal activity. This made her ponder the question of why is it that nonoffending youth remained in custody longer than youth with an arrest record? As such, she soon learned that runaways did not have anywhere to go once released. Reunification services for youth were nonexistent. It was through collaboration and innovation that Mrs. Yates, several key city officials, and community stakeholders garnered support to establish Florida's first runaway program. It was through support from City Councilman Joe Carlucci, City Administrator Howard McVeigh, and Mrs. Yates, that they received a small federal grant with a match from the city to open the Transient Youth Center (TYC) under the leadership of Mrs. Yates. TYC would now serve up to 12 youth.

Upon the hiring of our next President and CEO, Tom Patania served at the helm for 30 years. The agency revised its name in 1982 and the Youth Crisis Center (YCC) became an incorporated nonprofit. YCC has grown over many years to become a well-established, nationally accredited continuum of care model in Northeast Florida. Providing seven varying levels of care, YCC now serves over 2,500 youth, young adults, and families each year. During my 24 years with YCC, I have seen the impact the agency has had on our community. YCC is known to many legislators, local stakeholders, and statewide managing entities and has garnered support for not only our existing levels of care, but new, innovative opportunities for our future. It is our future work where YCC must be evident in effective, timely, and trauma-informed practice that we move the mark for a healthier community. YCC values collaborative experiences from community partners and seeks innovative practice models to reach areas of our community who have yet to reach out for healing. To continue to move the needle means discussions and action with our stakeholders, local and state representatives, and families to truly understand the mounting pressures, barriers, and philosophies around family. YCC is excited for our future and stands prepared to engage. In keeping with our mission to build a healthier community by empowering young people and families to rise above adversity, YCC continues to embrace families and transform lives across Northeast Florida.

I am excited for YCC's future and am so thankful for our community for their outpouring of support, advocacy, and generosity. I am thankful to lead such an amazing team of dedicated employees who lift others each day to show them there is always a better tomorrow. Lastly, I am honored to serve a remarkable Board of Directors who give their time, service, and devotion to YCC to ensure Florida's families have the best resources to aid in their time of healing.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kim Sirdevan". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Kim Sirdevan, LCSW
President and CEO

Serving our

Community



1974

Congress passes the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, establishing 60 programs to serve runaways nationwide.



1982

The Transient Youth Center is incorporated as a private non-profit and renamed the Youth Crisis Center, and moved to the new Parental Home Road location.



1991

Florida Legislature names Youth Crisis Center as the "Authorized Agent" of the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services to provide services for runaways and children in crisis.



1997

Florida mandated that schools must track attendance records, and Youth Crisis Center became Jacksonville's first Truancy Center.

1974

Councilwoman Gwen Yates is awarded a city grant to open Florida's first runaway shelter and names it the Transient Youth Center.



1987

Youth Crisis Center began providing intervention and prevention services to assist youth and families in difficult situations. Our first counseling program, Family Link, started.



1994

CINS/FINS (Children in need of services/Families in need of services) funding began in Florida including to Youth Crisis Center.



for over 50 years



2004

Youth Crisis Center renovated and expanded the Parental Home Road location to accommodate all programs on one campus.



2013

Youth Crisis Center begins providing domestic violence respite care in our Residential Crisis Care shelter.



2017

Youth Crisis Center rebrands with a new focus on awareness and the impact of trauma for youth and families.



2022

Sina's Center for Hope, which houses our SNAP and House of Hope programs, was dedicated at Youth Crisis Center. The Sharifai family honored their beloved son, Sina, and his vision of helping youth and young adults through family bonds and support.

2009

Youth Crisis Center creates the Touchstone Village Transitional Living program.



Youth Crisis Center is chosen as a pilot agency for Florida's Department of Juvenile Justice's Stop Now and Plan, or SNAP, program.

2016



Youth Crisis Center opens House of Hope, a young adult homeless shelter that provides counseling, life skills, career development skills training, and transition to permanent housing.

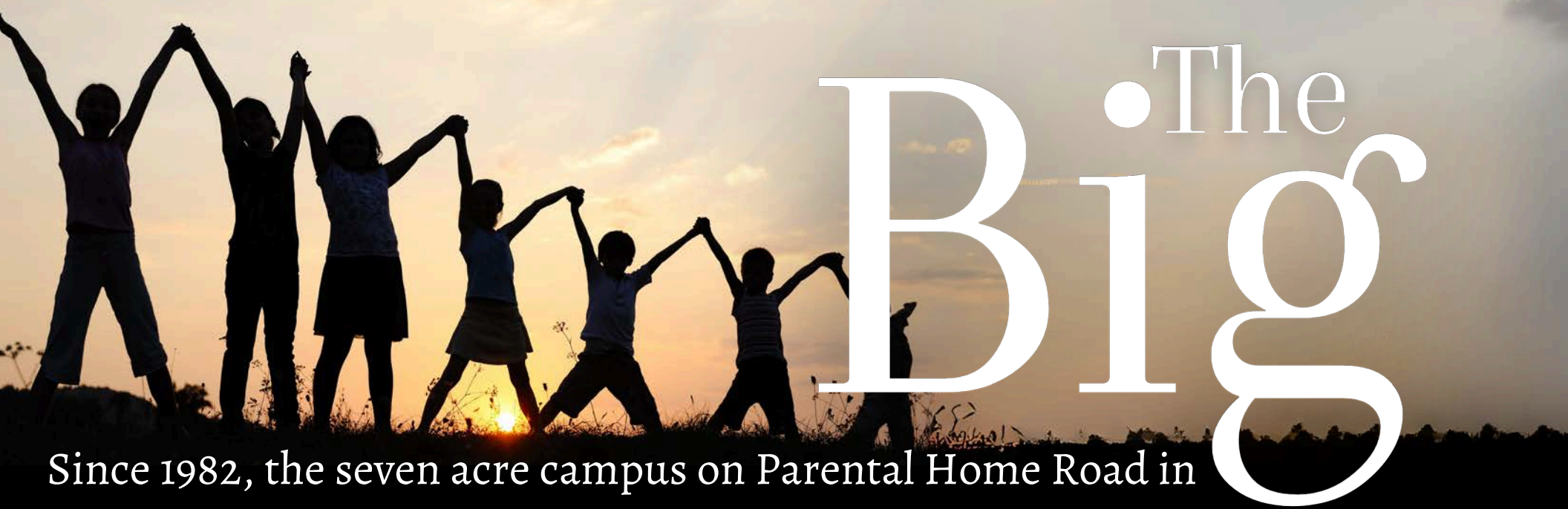
2020



Youth Crisis Center starts B.R.I.G.H.T. Beginnings, a program in connection with Head Start schools to bring trauma informed therapy and supportive classroom care to children ages 3-5.

2023





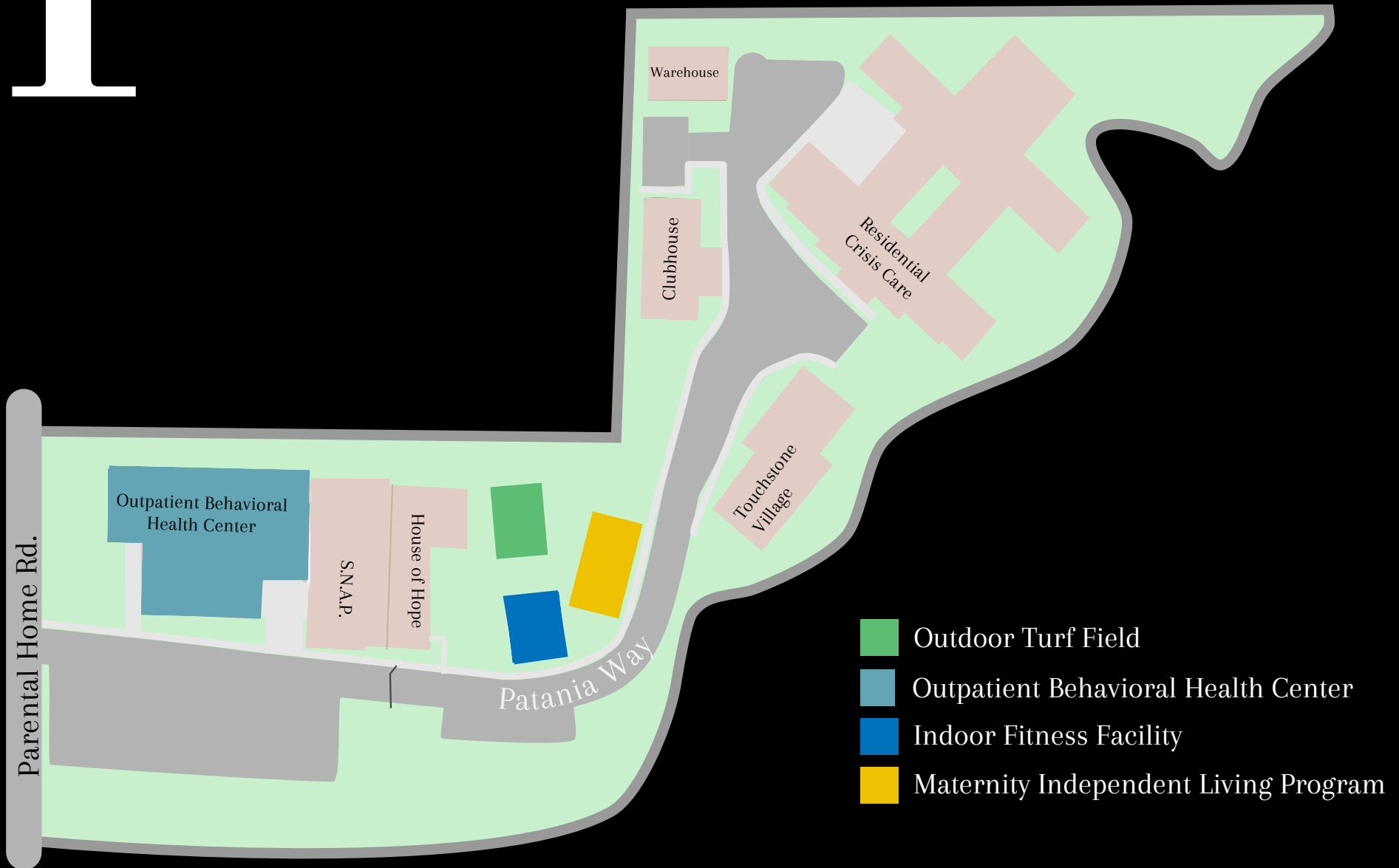
•The Big

Since 1982, the seven acre campus on Parental Home Road in Jacksonville's Southside has been the central location of all Youth Crisis Center programs and services.

Throughout the years, we have expanded and renovated parts of our campus to meet the growing demand for mental and behavioral health services in our Northeast Florida community.

Our campus map shows where our buildings and programs are located, as well as our plan for continued growth and success in this location.

Picture





Outdoor Turf Field

■ **PLAY IT FORWARD**

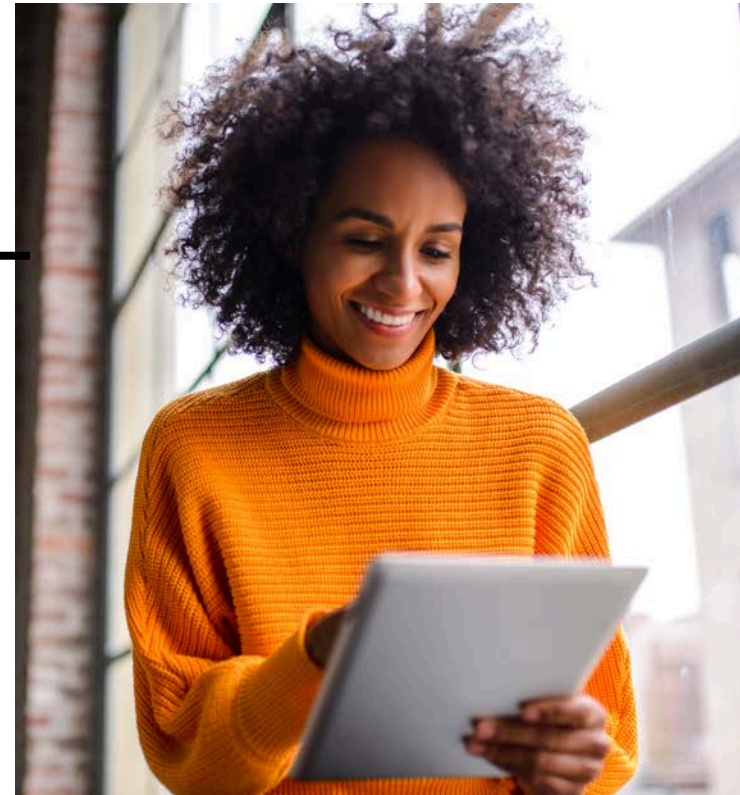
\$100,000

Creating a durable, useable outdoor space for the children and young adults of our residential programs to build sportsmanship, teamwork, and communication skills.

Outpatient Behavioral Health Center Refresh

■ **REDESIGN THE FUTURE** \$250,000

Welcoming, comforting, and caring for each individual that walks through our doors starts in our Outpatient Behavioral Health Center. Revamping our organization's central hub will showcase our dedication to providing high quality, trauma informed mental health care. Last redone in 2003, the refresh will focus on creating a calming space, as well as new painting, new flooring, LED lighting, IT infrastructure improvements, a new air conditioning system, and security cameras.





Indoor Fitness Facility

HEAL. LIVE. PLAY.

\$500,000

Converting our warehouse into a beautiful, functional, air conditioned basketball court and workout facility echoes our focus on health and stability for our residents.

Maternity Independent Living Program

TINY HOUSES - HUGE IMPACT

\$1,000,000

Nestled behind the fence of our beautiful private campus, this tiny house village will provide temporary independent living opportunities for up to 12 young expecting mothers or mothers of children under 2 years old. These tiny homes will serve as a home for mothers to receive comprehensive mental healthcare, a caring community, and support through their pregnancies and early parenthood.



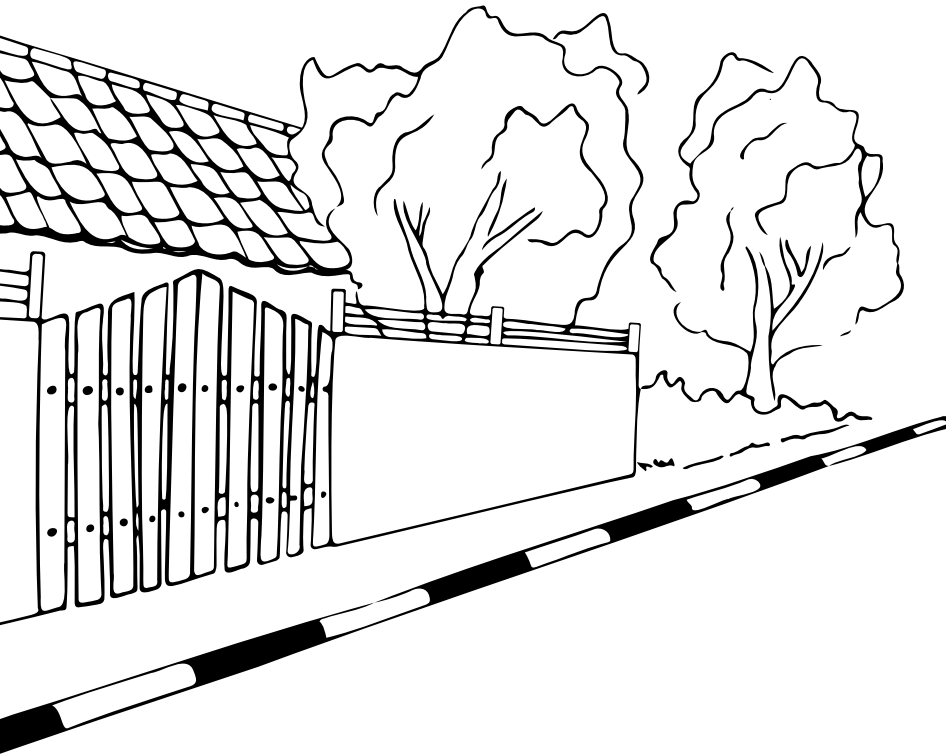


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Campus Naming Opportunities

Become part of Youth Crisis Center's living legacy at our historic Parental Home Road location with Building Naming Opportunities.

Legacy Giving



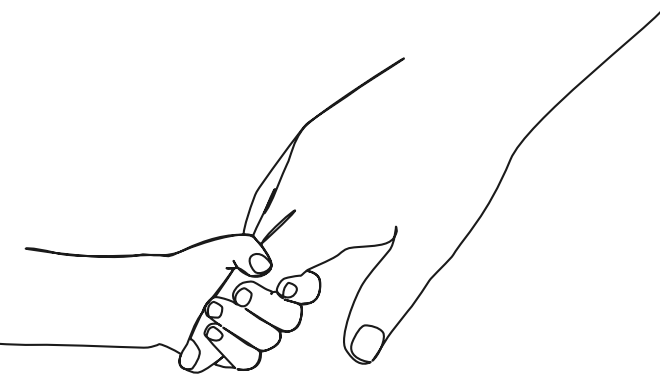
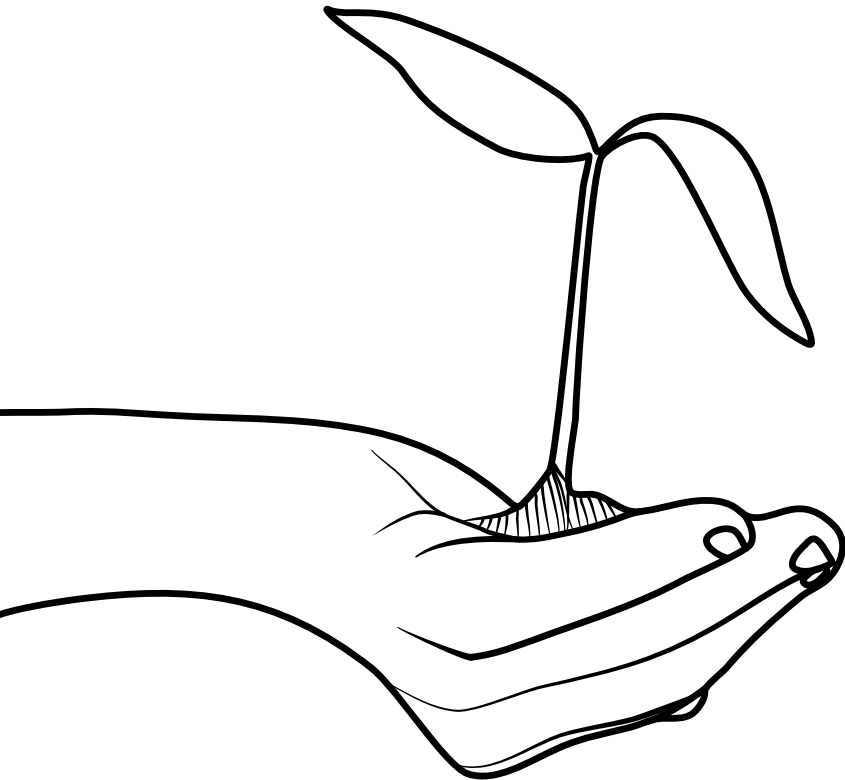
• Outpatient Behavioral Health Center	\$500,000
• Residential Crisis Care Building	\$500,000
• Touchstone Village	\$300,000
• YCC Clubhouse	\$100,000
• Outpatient Behavioral Health Center Lobby	\$50,000
• Residential Crisis Care Lobby	\$50,000
• Maternity Independent Living Individual Apartments	\$50,000
• Touchstone Village Individual Apartments	\$20,000
• Residential Crisis Care Rooms	\$10,000
• Outpatient Behavioral Health Center Rooms	\$5,000

Other Ways To Give



Needs

- Emergency Generator - \$250,000
 - Funding an emergency generator will allow us to continue providing vital care to children in our Residential Crisis Care program and young adults in our House of Hope program during power outages.



Lasting Support

Investing in the future of Youth Crisis Center is investing in the future of Northeast Florida youth and families. There are several options available for deferred giving, will bequests, charitable trusts, or planned estate gifts. We are happy to discuss the options that best fit your lifestyle and giving plans as you continue to support the legacy of Youth Crisis Center.

If you are interested in discussing investment giving plans, please reach out to Pete Hicks, Chief Development Officer, for more information at phicks@ycc.org.

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