









"I've been through hell, and this place is like heaven. There's a positive side to the darkness I've been seeing for years." -- Katarina, NPHY client

NPHY was founded in 2000 when a group of community advocates lobbied the Nevada legislature to remove barriers keeping unaccompanied homeless minors from receiving life-sustaining services. Since then, NPHY has grown from a small citizen coalition to the most comprehensive service provider for homeless youth in Nevada, offering a full range of services to meet homeless youth's immediate needs and provide them with the tools, resources, and support they need for long-term self-sufficiency and success.

NPHY's programs include:

#### **OUTREACH & ADVOCACY**

→ NPHY conducts multi-pronged outreach to prevent youth homelessness, provide life-sustaining supplies and information to youth currently living on the streets, educate the community-at-large about youth homelessness, and advocate on behalf of homeless youth. During the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year, NPHY outreach workers provided information to 19,634 youth in schools and at community events and distributed 2,487 survival packs to at-risk and homeless youth on the streets of Southern Nevada.

# SAFE PLACE & MOBILE CRISIS INTERVENTION

→ In partnership with Terrible Herbst convenience stores, the City of Las Vegas Fire Department, and the Regional Transportation Commission, NPHY's services are available round-the-clock to any youth in crisis at virtually every street corner in Southern Nevada through our Safe Place Program. During the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year, NPHY's Mobile Crisis Intervention Team and Safe Place Program provided crisis intervention services to 111 youth, removing these at-risk and homeless youth from dangerous situations and transitioning them to safe, alternative living arrangements.

"I honestly believe that I wouldn't be the person I am today if it wasn't for NPHY." – Jose, NPHY client

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# IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION & LONG-TERM INDEPENDENCE

→ NPHY's William Fry Drop-In Center and Emergency Shelter provide immediate needs and respite care services while building the trust and skills necessary for clients to transition into longer-term care and/or self-sufficiency. During the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year, the William Fry Drop-In Center provided immediate needs, respite care, and supportive services to 395 unduplicated youth over the course of 5,063 visits, while 105 youth spent 477 bed nights safe and off the streets at NPHY's Emergency Shelter.

#### FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES

→ Upon intake, NPHY case managers work with youth to explore family reunification as a preferred avenue out of homelessness. During the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year, NPHY reunited 24 youth with family members across North America through our Operation Go Home program.

# **TRANSITIONAL HOUSING**

→ NPHY's Independent Living Program provides transitional housing for youth in a supportive and independent environment that fosters self-sufficiency. NPHY carefully coordinates each youth's exit from our housing program and offers six months of aftercare services, ensuring that all of our clients sustainably transition out of homelessness. During the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year, NPHY's Independent Living Program provided 11,404 bed nights to 35 youth.

NPHY is **the** *only* **government-designed "Right to Shelter" agency in Clark County**, an important distinction that enables us to provide housing and other necessary services to abused, neglected, and abandoned unaccompanied minors without parental consent when abuse or neglect is substantiated by a licensed professional. This distinction allows us to provide life-saving services to vulnerable homeless youth when other providers would have to turn them away.

"If this place wasn't here, I'd probably be on the street. I really thought it was over for me. They did so much for me, and I want to tell everyone I came from the streets to Safe Place," – Carmella, NPHY client

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