

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING keeps families and couples together during a housing crisis. Shelter Care provides housing in single-family homes and apartments located in neighborhoods throughout the community, along with furniture, household items, and clothing through community donations and grant funding. Four housing programs—Emergency, Transitional, Permanent Supportive, and Rapid Rehousing—are tailored to meet a household's different needs. Housing advocates support families by helping them achieve long-term goals through referrals, advocacy, emotional support, and encouragement.

Testimonial: "A year and a half ago, my kids and I became homeless because of mistakes I made. In 2022 I received Section 8, and lost it in 2023. I was devastated and heartbroken.

Being a single mother, growing up in poverty, living beyond my means, not knowing how to budget, not knowing the right questions to ask, and thinking I could do it all on my own—all of that landed me in a place I never wanted to be, but then I learned about the Rockford Rescue Mission. While staying there, I continued working toward my GED. I heard about Shelter Care Ministries.

Five months into our stay at the shelter, I received a call from Shelter Care Ministries, saying that housing was available for us. While being in the program, I got a part-time job. I finished my GED and started college in January 2025. I even made the President's List in my first semester.

I want to thank Shelter Care Ministries for all their help and support. Without housing, I wouldn't have been able to accomplish some of my goals. Thank you all for believing in me and my children, and for giving us a second chance. **Even in the deepest, darkest moments—there is light.**" — Ashley



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JUBILEE CENTER

THE JUBILEE CENTER is a one-of-a-kind day program for adults living with chronic mental illness who may be homeless or at risk of homelessness. Members receive a hot breakfast and lunch daily. Staff collaborates with community partners to provide comprehensive services including advocacy, case management, psychological and medical services, housing assistance, showers, employment support, and crisis intervention. At Jubilee, members find an environment where they are not defined by their diagnosis, but welcomed as peers, friends, and family.

Testimonial: "I have joy back in my life thanks to the Jubilee Center. When I arrived at the center over a year ago, I was on drugs and depressed. I didn't care about myself or anyone else. Special thanks to my advocate Racheal Charles, she has been a strong support system that I needed and found here.

I started out accomplishing small goals, I got my own apartment but it's not just an apartment it's my home. I completed the drug treatment program and have been drug free for over a year now. I got my driver's license back and finally was able to purchase my dream car. I work part-time and I will complete my probation on 7/16/25. I have my daughter in my life and all 4 of my sisters.

I am a proud member of the Jubilee Center. I still come here daily because it puts me in the right mood. I always leave feeling that I'm somebody and I'm someone special. I want other members to know if I can do it, so can you thanks to the Jubilee Center." — Osie

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WHAT YOUR DONATION MADE POSSIBLE IN 2024 -2025

FAMILY SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

292 People Served

96% of participants who exited our program, exited to permanent housing.

86 Households | **96** Adults | **196** Children

JUBILEE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

28 Households | **30** Adults

72%

of participants who exited our program, exited to permanent housing.

JUBILEE CENTER

493 Active Jubilee Members

Visits to the Jubilee Center
22,412

20,380 Meals Served

