



ABRAXAS SOUTH MOUNTAIN SHELTER CARE SERVICES

Abraxas Shelter Care is an 18-bed program that provides short-term care for both female and male youth ages 11 - 18 years of age. The program serves youth who may be displaced from the home, transitioning from other residential placement settings, or experiencing emotional, behavioral or academic issues that results in them being unable to remain in their community.

We provide basic needs for all youth to include necessary medical and dental care. Our Shelter is a safe, therapeutic environment that provides academic programming on-site and works to prepare youth for their next setting. Youth participate in recreational activities, community service projects, experiential learning, and independent and life skills training and opportunities. Staff are trained in trauma informed care and practices, cognitive-behavioral education, adolescent development, First Aid / CPR and prevention and identification of child victims of human trafficking.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

- Adolescent males and females between the ages of 11 and 18 years of age
- Youth involved with Children & Youth Services or Juvenile Probation
- Youth with an IQ of 65 or above
- Youth in need of temporary Shelter Care services due to being unable to remain in the community, transitioning to or from another residential setting, or being displaced from their home and experiencing conflict
- Youth who are not experiencing severe medical, psychiatric, aggression or suicidal issues
- Interviews and requests for additional background information may be requested prior to admission

LENGTH OF STAY

Youth admitted to Shelter can remain in the program from one day to six months on average. Each youth is assessed prior to and while at Shelter for the most appropriate transition to an identified long-term and stable environment.



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EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

On-site educational services are offered for all youth in Shelter. We provide Special Education services and offer additional services to include educational testing, coordinating identified learning supports and opportunity for career testing, GED and high school diploma.

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SERVICES PROVIDED

- 24 hour supervised, structured care in a safe and therapeutic environment
- Individualized Service Planning and Goals
- Weekly case management services and communication with contracting agencies
- Supervised family visitation
- Psychoeducation groups
- Independent living skills groups and education
- Experiential and recreational activities
- Discharge and Aftercare planning
- Coordination of Psychological, Psychiatric and D/A evaluations as requested

TO MAKE A REFERRAL
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