



COMMUNITY REPORT

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QUEEN OF PEACE CENTER

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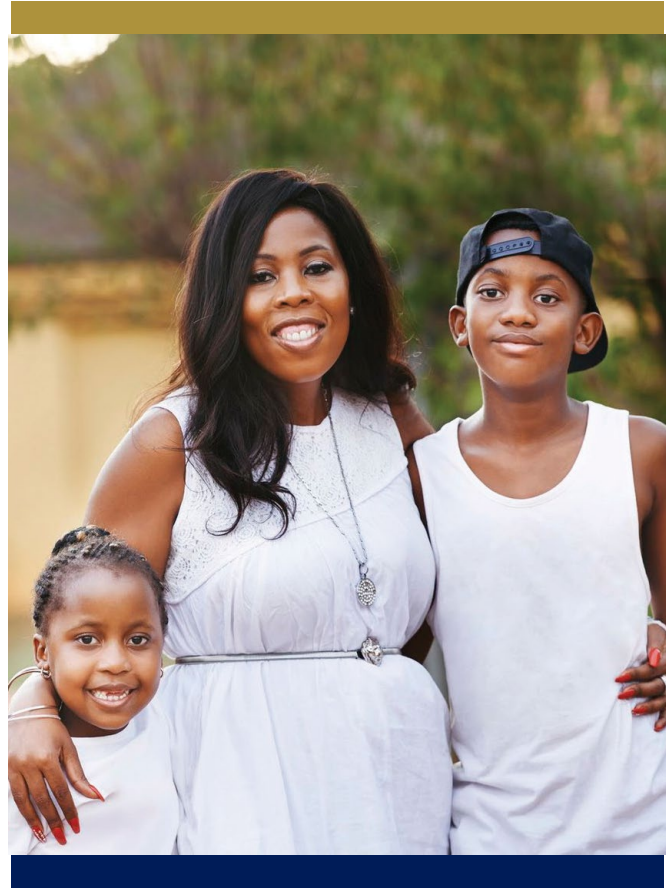
Our Nurturing Networks Family and Children's Program provides a variety of clinical services to clients and their children, family members, significant others, or any significant person in a client's life who has been affected by the client's substance use disorder, co-occurring disorder, and/or trauma.

The family program aims to address women's multiple treatment needs by integrating family services, children's services, and parenting education as crucial aspects of behavioral health treatment.

Program services include:

- Family therapy
- Child therapy
- Play therapy
- Children's case management
- Parent education
- Art therapy
- Individual and group co-dependency counseling

The Nurturing Networks Therapeutic Childcare Center provides various services to children who have a mother actively engaged in treatment and fall between 6 weeks–5 years old. This early intervention and prevention program offers social-emotional support in a therapeutic classroom setting. Our teachers are there every step of the way to provide a safe and caring environment for the children to learn and grow.



Volunteer Numbers

68 Unique Volunteers

440 Total Volunteer Hours



Each day, we see these women at Queen of Peace Center struggling to break the habits of substance use and put their families back together. Their families inspire them to work through their pain and we are here to help along the way.”

– Sharon Spruell, Executive Director/CEO, Queen of Peace Center

Client Success Story

Stephanie—Queen of Peace Center

Stephanie tells us she had a very normal upbringing with wonderful, supportive parents. But, at 23, Stephanie found herself in an abusive relationship, a substance user, with no job, and pregnant. She was living at home when she went into labor and she remembers having to tell her mother that she was not going to be able to bring her daughter, Hollie, home from the hospital because she had been using throughout her pregnancy. Stephanie thought that was one of the hardest things she had ever done until she had to give up her baby and fortunately for Stephanie, her parents took her to Queen of Peace Center, a program that helps families with substance use and takes care of the whole family. Stephanie worked hard, scared beyond belief, but remembered her daughter was being taken care of by a foster family, and Stephanie needed to get better to be with her daughter. Stephanie says it best herself. “While I was there, I received some of the best counseling and groups that I could have ever asked for. It all seemed a bit overwhelming, but I knew it had to be done if I wanted to see my little girl again and stay on the right track. Now, Stephanie and Hollie are both on the right track, together. Stephanie calls Hollie a “gift from God” and thanks the Queen of Peace Center for all their help in reuniting her family.



PURPOSE STATEMENT

Providing family-centered care for women with substance-use disorders, their families, and at-risk youth through treatment, prevention and education, and housing.

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