

Covenant House New Jersey operates two shelters located in the heart of Newark and Atlantic City. Our programs provide safe, temporary shelter to youth between the ages 18-21 years old who are experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity. The centers are open 24/7, 365 days a year and all services are free of charge.

Staff work closely with youth to access resources and specialized supportive services both within Covenant House and in the greater community with the ultimate goal of connecting them to stable housing.

Our Residential programs include:

Rights of Passage (ROP)

An apartment-style program designed to provide a safe and supportive living environment for youth experiencing homelessness, who are employed, employment ready, or in school full time. CHNJ operates ROP programs in Newark, Atlantic City, and Asbury Park.

Nancy's Place

Located in Montclair, Nancy's Place provides housing and supportive services to young people experiencing homelessness whose priority is improving their mental health while working on other life goals.

Raphael's Life House (RLH)

Raphael's Life House, located in Elizabeth, provides a safe and supportive transitional living environment for 18-21-year old pregnant women or mothers, who are in need of housing and supportive services. Our program offers a wide range of opportunities to support mothers to achieve their goals.

Specialized Supportive Services:

Case Management

Each resident works collaboratively with the Service Management Team to identify their goals and to implement an individualized plan.

Medical

CHNJ partners with community medical specialists to provide medical care, enroll in health insurance and connect with a primary care provider for preventative care and ongoing maintenance of health concerns.

Legal

CHNJ's Youth Advocacy Center provides legal support to address tickets, warrants, child support, human trafficking issues, immigration, and public benefits, as well as a variety of other legal matters that may be a barrier to stability.

Behavioral Health

CHNJ clinicians provide individual therapy both in-person and through tele-health. Our consulting Psychiatric APN offers clients immediate psychiatric care and medication management support.

The Dove Learning Center (DLC)

The DLC engages youth in education, job training and life skills programming in an innovative, research-based learning model developed to strengthen a youth's resilience. The program focuses on five content areas: Education, Employment, Financial Literacy, Social Navigation, and Physical, Emotional, and Spiritual Wellness in a blended learning environment.



Housing Department

At the end of our continuum of care our Housing Specialists step in and provide housing navigation, case management and service referrals for youth who are searching for and living in their own apartments.

NJ Enhanced Statewide Human Trafficking Victim Services (HTVS)

Covenant House New Jersey is the statewide provider of services for victims and survivors of human trafficking. The HTVS team provides case management and linkage to resources for survivors throughout all 21 counties. Services are available for all survivors regardless of housing status, age, gender identity or expression, foreign and domestic victims, and all trafficking types. The HTVS team can be contacted by calling the call center at 862-240-2453.

Covenant House Action and Research Tank of New Jersey (CHART)

The CHART team conducts research to improve and develop best practices for youth experiencing homelessness and human trafficking victims. The team offers training and technical assistance in a variety of areas, including for the QYIT, the first scientifically validated screening tool to screen for both labor and sex trafficking for youth ages 18-21 experiencing homelessness.

kNOT

The Neighborhood Outreach Team (kNOT) engages with community partners to spread awareness of the services provided at Covenant House New Jersey. The CHNJ Outreach Specialist conducts community street outreach in places frequented by youth to identify, engage and provide supportive services, information and referrals. The Outreach Specialist can be reached at 732-674-4702.

Essex County Youth Coordinated Entry

The Youth Coordinated Entry Program works with all youth in Essex County experiencing homelessness and assists them in navigating housing barriers and connecting them to housing opportunities. The Youth Coordinated Entry Specialist can be reached at 609-289-5359.

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