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A Spotlight on Our Transitional Living Program

Since 2018, Mirci has operated a 10-bedroom Transitional Living Program for male youth aged 17-22 at risk of homelessness. In its seven years of operation, our program has housed over 80 youth, with more than 70 transitioning to safe, stable housing. Residents benefit from case management, comprehensive support services, and a stable environment that empowers them to pursue their educational and career goals. We're so grateful for all of our staff, supporters, and collaborative partners who make this program possible!



- Upper left: culinary skills training with our friends at FoodShare South Carolina
- Upper right: volunteering and puppy love at Final Victory Animal Rescue
- Lower right: some of the guys at Mirci's administrative offices



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Client Corner: Transitional Living Program Testimonials

We asked two of our current youth residents to share some of their experience and takeaways from being a part of the Transitional Living Program. Here's what they shared:

"My favorite part of the program is interacting with the staff and hanging out with them during house meetings and events. Being a part of the program has really helped my mental health, and I've been able to receive (healthcare) services for the last few months. I've learned how to cook and prepare food. The best advice I would give to someone just moving into the program would be to try your best to be friendly to your housemates and the staff - they're here to help!"

"I really enjoy meeting new people, so being part of the program has allowed to meet both housemates and mentors that help us build life skills. My favorite part is working with FoodShare - they teach us cooking skills, and I love the meals we prepare! From being in the program, I've learned how to become more of a leader, and am able to take initiative when it's needed. My best advice to a new resident is to always have a positive mindset, do what's right, and be good to people!"

Recapping Midlands Gives: We Did It!

In May, Mirci participated in Midlands Gives, an annual campaign to bring the Midlands region together as one community, raising money and awareness for local nonprofits transforming the lives of individuals through a wide range of public and social services. We set our fundraising goal as an agency to raise \$20,000 to support our mission of creating paths forward for individuals and families suffering from the adverse consequences of homelessness and severe mental illness.

What was the result of this campaign?

We did it, and we're so grateful for YOU! You helped Mirci raise **\$21,890** to uphold mental health and combat homelessness in our city. Thank you to each and every one of you who donated, spread the word, and brought awareness to our cause!

Mirci Recognized by Richland County!

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Each May, we observe Mental Health Awareness Month to highlight the importance of mental health and access to care. Last month, Mirci was honored with a proclamation from Richland County Council, recognizing over 60 years of service and advocacy! We're grateful for the continued support from local leadership as we promote mental wellness across the Midlands.



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