



New Beginnings Transition Program

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Frequently Asked Questions

Who does this program serve?

Our program offers residential transition services to men who want to find a new beginning in Jesus Christ. Students must enter our program directly from a correctional facility in East Tennessee.

What does this program offer?

Our program includes housing, accountability, counseling, spiritual mentorship, life-skills development, employment opportunities, transportation, and general guidance or support.

How long is this program?

The program includes five levels and takes approximately one year to complete. The first four levels are residential and the last level is independent living with the support and guidance of our transition program team.

How do I start the application process? / How do I help my loved one who is incarcerated apply?

A person who is interested in applying may write a letter requesting application paperwork. Alternatively, a loved one may print and mail the application paperwork to the interested person to complete and submit. Our mailing address is listed below.

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What does the application process look like?

Applications are received and reviewed. Then, if selected, the applicant will be interviewed by one of our staff members. After a decision is reached, a letter communicating acceptance or denial of admission is sent. Because we have a waiting list, we are only able to offer a *provisional acceptance based on bed availability*. Students from the provisional acceptance waiting list enter into the program on a first come, first serve basis.

What is the cost of this program?

A student who enters our program is not required to pay a fee upon admission. Instead, a conditional scholarship of \$750 is extended to the student to cover his program fees.

How much does the student pay in rent and savings?

The student will not be required to pay rent for the first six weeks of the program. Then, at the six weeks mark, the student gains employment and is required to pay \$130 each week for rent and utilities. Additionally, the student sets aside a percentage of his income into a non-accessible savings account. These funds are used by the student during the fourth and fifth levels in order to set up independent living arrangements.

Who can help me if I have additional questions?

For additional questions, please email us at transition@focustn.org and we will be happy to assist you.