

Our unique atmosphere at each apartment location provides the youth we serve with a realistic vision of life as a responsible adult and prepares them for living independently. Individualized services and competency development in essential skill sets is our core programming.

ALS utilizes a social/behavioral management program utilizing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) components as a foundation for long-term health and social living. Each youth involved in our programs receives an initial assessment to determine their individual needs. Based on the assessment, the youth is able to measure their success within the program through our Wave Behavioral Management system which focuses on their orientation, cognitive and emotional growth, educational success, vocational interests, independent living skills, and the experiential exchange of learning and living. Throughout the waves, the youth works on a Competency Development Check List focused on budgeting, shopping, pricing and content, menus, diet, recipes, housing, maintenance, painting, cleaning, laundry, utilities, bill paying, banking, safety, employment, and many more. As youth advance through each wave, they earn more privileges with the added responsibilities that accompany a more independent lifestyle.

Our transitional and independent living apartments are in Westmoreland County. However, the IL apartments can be established in locations specific to a youth's geographic needs.

Alternative Living Solutions

We expect a youth's experience with the foster care and juvenile justice system to end with us. Through providing an array of programming opportunities for our youth, ALS believes that we can be their last placement. Our comprehensive approach offers a seamless transition for our youth within the community. We believe that stability and consistency creates an atmosphere of trust that our youth need for successful development. With the Starfish as our corporate symbol and story of the StarThrower by Loren Easley as our guide, we believe, in a metaphorical way that...

"We teach our youth how to swim; learning and living the skill sets they need so they do not wash helplessly ashore again; and then returning them to the sea to carry on fulfilling and productive lives."

John Bukovac, CEO / Founder 2007

ALS is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE)

Please visit our website for additional program information and pictures.

www.als-pa.com

Alternative Living Solutions



Our Mission

Alternative Living Solutions is committed to developing innovative programming that challenges and enhances community supports for the youth and families we serve.

Our Services

Transitional and Independent Living Arrangements Sustainable for Youth 16 through 20 years of age who are aging out of the Juvenile Court and Foster Care Systems.

Our Credentials

Alternative Living Solution is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. ALS is licensed by the PA Department of Public Welfare regulations: 3800 Transitional Living and 3680 Supervised Independent Living.

These services are available for adolescent and young adult females and males adjudicated by the courts.

Transitional Living

Broad Street Apartments

1339, 1339A, and 1339B Broad Street
Greensburg, PA 15601
Phone: 724-834-3496
Fax: 724-834-4200



Georges Station Apartments

915 Georges Station Road
Greensburg, PA 15601
Phone: 724-837-2341
Fax: 724-836-2469



Georges Station Apartments

917A and 917B Georges Station Rd.
Greensburg, Pa, 15601
Phone: 724-837-2341
Fax: 724-836-2469



Twin Run

921 Georges Station Road
Greensburg, PA 15601
Phone: 724-837-2341
Fax: 724-836-2469



Independent Living

1337 Broad Street
Greensburg, Pa 15601

Other locations as needed

Ideal candidates are young women and men who have the ability and desire to succeed beyond their current situation. They may not be realizing their potential due to negative peer and community pressures. They may be first time placements, or youth who finally understand the reasons behind their former or current placement situation. They may be experiencing the aspects of a disruptive adoption, or just aging out of the foster care system and in need of APPLA. For some youth, ALS is a great resource as a step-down from a RTF or group home placements. Most importantly, they are youth who now realize and understand that running away, hurting themselves, and aggressively acting out are ineffective behaviors for their approaching young adult years. The youth who succeeds best is one who just needs the opportunity to rid themselves of the negative peers and problematic intutional situations that often provoke many troublesome behaviors. The youth flourish when they no longer pursue those institutional behaviors and instead begin to learn and practice behaviors that permit them to excel.

Referrals can be made by visiting our website www.als-pa.com or by contacting:

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