

Wabash County Commissioners 1 West Hill Street Wabash, IN 46992

"My name is Christina Johnson. I graduated from Waypoint October 22, 2024. I had been incarcerated for a few years before coming to Waypoint so I had to re learn who I was as a person outside of addiction, trauma, and incarceration. While in the program at Waypoint I grew spiritually, learned accountability, budgeting, what healthy relationships looked like, and how to set attainable goals and achieve them. I successfully completed home detention, obtained my license and bought a car and now live in my own home. While being at Waypoint I realized I now want to reach back and help others who are struggling and I am proud to say I am now working at Allendale Treatment Center in Auburn as Assistant Operation Supervisor. Waypoint has taught me how to have a full life and has prepared and equipped me for the future I deserve."

Dear Wabash County Commissioners,

Christina is just one of many who now feel a sense of purpose and hope in Life. Since Waypoint's inception in October 2022, we are thrilled to share that 17 brave and resilient women have successfully graduated from the home, worked to overcome addiction, and are now embarking on a new chapter in their lives.

Thanks to the generosity of many individuals, businesses, and organizations in our community, Waypoint is nearly always at capacity, housing an average of 10-12 women with more than 17 applicants on the waiting list. And, thanks to the compassion of Wabash County employers, all women in the home are employed.

In 2025, we were pleased to offer various empowering programs along with intensive outpatient therapy such as Smart Recovery, mindfulness groups, peer processing groups, and devotions. We also faithfully served with Downtown Wabash, the Wabash County YMCA, and the animal shelter to fulfill community service requirements. Through these programs that are made possible by supporters like you, our participants have not only found solace and community but have also gained valuable tools to navigate life's challenges and cultivate a healthy lifestyle.

While a significant portion of Waypoint's operational expenses are covered by rental income, your support helps us to continue and expand our programming, which greatly enriches the lives of women in the home. To meet our end of year goal, we need to raise \$25,000.00. We hope you will consider a gift to help us continue this vital work that directly impacts the lives of these courageous women, giving them the strength and resources they need for lasting recovery and independence.

On behalf of the women in our care and the entire team at Waypoint, we extend our deepest gratitude for your unwavering support and belief in our mission.

I wish you peace and joy this holiday season,

Jackie Helser

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