

Deliver safe and sustainable long-term care to minors that have experienced sexual trafficking, trauma or exploitation, to empower them to successfully reintegrate into society and face their trauma in a healthy manner.

Houses up to 10-12 youth ages 11-17 years old.

No child dreams of waking up in a shelter, program or communal living environment. No young woman has high hopes of becoming an addict at an early age or being a survivor of sexual trauma. No youth female wakes up wishing pain or abuse upon themselves. Too often, our youth have had their dreams snatched from them, have been on the wrong side of justice and have experienced nightmares as their realities.

While House of Cherith has served adult survivors well since 2014, it is now time to expand our services and reach the child before having to rescue the adults. With 10-12 individual rooms, this special home will provide top of the line services for minor female survivors of sexual trafficking, trauma and exploitation. Support services such as individual and group counseling and therapy, trauma informed care, medical and dental care, educational resources, vocational training programs, peer support recovery and more, are crucial to fighting trafficking in the next generation.

With the average entry age into trafficking being 11-14 years old, the HOC Junior program will be designed to empower the next generation to take back the pen to their story and rewrite the narrative to reflect light, hope, healing and freedom.

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