

The Chase Home

Winter Newsletter 2021/2022

Raising the Bar in 2022 with Executive Director Meme Wheeler



Meme Wheeler

As we look ahead in 2022, my hope is that we continue to expand our clinical capacity and raise the bar on the level of services we offer at-risk youth and families.

Currently, we are in the process of hiring an in-house clinician with Seacoast Mental Health Center and a permanency worker with Dover Children's Home. These partnerships will enable us to offer a level of integrated care that significantly enhances the overall quality and effectiveness of our work.

Many of the kids with whom we work come to us with severe trauma mental health issues along with a lot of instability in their lives, both of which threaten their ability to either maintain or secure a permanent home.

Along with our agency partners, we all share a vision to help kids secure and maintain a sense of permanency in their lives. Every kid deserves their forever home — that's what I envision for 2022.

Live Event Caps a Successful Holiday Fundraising Season

In addition to other fundraising initiatives during this holiday, the 7th Annual Wine & Chocolate Tasting Hosted by Jimmy's Jazz & Blues Club helped raise more than \$110,000 in cash contributions and \$36,000 in in-kind gifts! Thanks to our sponsors (and Bravo Photography for the amazing photos)!



The Chase Home Receives CARF 3-Year Accreditation

CARF International announced that The Chase Home has been accredited for a period of three years for its Residential Treatment Services (RTS) program and Independent Living Program (ILP). It is the first accreditation that the international accrediting body, CARF, has given to The Chase Home, which serves at-risk youth annually through prevention, early intervention, residential, and community-based programs statewide.

According to Meme Wheeler, executive director of The Chase Home, CARF Accreditation demonstrates their commitment "to enhancing performance, managing risk, and distinguishing their service delivery."

"Accreditation consisted of a rigorous peer review process where we demonstrated that our programs and services are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality," she said.



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"This accreditation process, she noted, has strengthened both RTS and ILP.

"RTS is available to kids who live here, while ILP offers apartment-style living and transition services to kids aging out of the system," added Wheeler

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services. For more information about the accreditation process, visit carf.org.

Annual Report

The Chase Home recently released its Annual Report for FY 21, which provides a snapshot of what took place from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. This report includes financial information, brief program update and an actual case study of how services at The Chase Home work on a day-to-day basis.

Click here to read the FY21 Annual Report.

