

RESOURCES

JSL funds the unmet needs for foster children in our community. This includes providing cribs, beds and bunk beds in order for a child to be placed into a foster home; food and other necessities for foster parents who are low income or live paycheck to paycheck; sports uniforms and fees so foster children can participate in extracurricular activities like other children. **Please go to our website to choose which fund to donate to.** www.jslouisiana.org or email staci@jslouisiana.org for more information.

RELATIONSHIPS

Open Table is a new relationship program we have implemented into the community. Open Table trains congregation members or small groups of volunteers (civic members, employees, etc) to form a support family called Tables. These table members transform their vocational and life experiences into tools for our marginalized youth who are transitioning out of foster care. The Transitioning Youth uses these tools and relationships to develop and achieve their life goals. **For more information on Open Table please contact Glenn at glenn@jslouisiana.org**

EMPOWERMENT

The purpose of our New Family Center is to create an environment that will help provide a strong support system for children, families, and DCFS caseworkers in the foster care community. State required visitations with biological parents are now held in our beautiful facility. This non-governmental setting does not re-traumatize the child and promotes healthy connection and bonding for both child and parent. It also creates a safe place to hold community events and parties, which many of these children would otherwise not experience. Our Family Center provides a supportive environment for caseworkers who experience high burnout and turnover for lack of appreciation and support. The Family Center has become a community model for the state where better outcomes can be achieved for this underserved population.

PARTNERSHIPS

In addition to GOVERNMENT, FAITH, BUSINESS and COMMUNITY partnerships, JSL has a working relationship with several non-profits that serve different segments of the foster care system. Our objective is not to duplicate the services that other non-profits do so well but to compliment them. Some of the existing non-profit relationships include Crossroads NOLA, CASA, NAMI, Children's Hospital, Blue Cross Foundation, Northshore Enduring Hope, St Tammany School System and Foster Village just to name a few. We continue to identify and work with others that have the same goal to care for these foster children and create a better life for them. **For more information on teaming with James Storehouse Louisiana, contact our office at 985-888-6100.**



We Support and Empower Children and Families in Foster Care



Mission Statement: To provide physical and relationship support from crib to college for foster children and families through the creation of partnerships with GOVERNMENT, FAITH, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY

The needs within the foster care community are significant and growing. There are nearly 900 children of all ages in our foster care system within the Florida Parishes. Children who "age out" of the system tragically experience high rates of homelessness, human trafficking, incarcerations, teen pregnancies, and trauma disorders due to instability and lack of family roots and community connections. James Storehouse Louisiana provides easy access to critical resources and support systems that help create better outcomes, and empowered lives, for our most vulnerable.

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