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The Family **Advocate**

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**Sheridan House
Residential Program**



SHERIDAN HOUSE
Honoring Christ by Serving the
Needs of Children and Families



Changing FUTURES, Restoring HOPE.



Boys receive special awards for hard work during Spirit week!

Since 1968, Sheridan House Family Ministries has provided residential behavioral care for children in the tri-county area of South Florida.

Currently, we help families with boys (grades 6-9) who are experiencing behavioral difficulties including:

- **School suspensions**
- **Failing grades**
- **Disruptive family behavior**
- **Immaturity**
- **Acting-out**
- **Impulsivity**
- **Defiance and/or disrespectful behavior**
- **Procrastination**
- **Poor attitude**

The Sheridan House Residential Program is designed to intervene in the life of a family before dysfunctional behavior becomes a habitual lifestyle. Our objective is to provide the structure and environment that helps boys make the life changes necessary to accept responsibility for their behavior at home and school while developing essential life skills. For the boys, being in Sheridan House represents a fresh start rather than a punishment, as we strive to help them become the best version of themselves. For the parents, our desire is to equip and educate them so they can help their son graduate from the program and return home successfully. Our deepest hope is that during this process each family member will come to know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and experience the personal love that God has for each of them.

WAYS TO GIVE WAYS TO LOVE

If you want to support the work of Christ in changing lives, please consider being a part of the Sheridan House family. Your gifts will have an eternal impact for the Kingdom of God.

Since 1968, God has used this ministry in thousands of different life-changing ways. Let your resources have an effect. Give to Sheridan House and experience what making a difference feels like!

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Use your spare change to CHANGE lives!

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Use the enclosed envelope, to send your gift to the ministries of Sheridan House. Each one of us can make a difference in the lives of children and families.



Go online and make a one-time donation at www.SheridanHouse.org/give then click guest and follow the prompts. If you need assistance, call 954-583-1552.



Gift Planning makes an impact for God's Kingdom. It doesn't have to be something you give after you are gone. You can witness it NOW. Help us train the next generation.

Family Style Program

Sheridan House provides a strong family environment for the boys, intensive training for the parents, and a personalized weekend program for the family to follow when the boys return home every weekend and during school breaks. This time at home provides the boys and their parents opportunities to practice the skills they are taught. Each house is staffed with House Parents and a Behavior Specialist. Through supportive relationships and consistent accountability in a proven behavior modification program, we provide training in social skills, personal responsibility,

discipline, communication, conflict management, and effective problem solving for the residents and their parents. Academic education is provided on campus in a structured home-school setting with the goal of helping the boys learn how to behave appropriately in class. While boys work at their own pace through the program, the average length of stay is 10-12 months.



The boys work on a science project.

Mealtime



Mealtime is family time!

One of the goals of the Residential Program is for the boys to experience what a healthy, loving family is like. Many of the boys come to us from strong families, and their time in the program reinforces what their parents have been trying to teach them. For some, however, the concept of “family” is a difficult one to grasp. One of the ways we strive to accomplish this is through mealtimes. As we explain to the boys’ parents, mealtime is family time. It is more than simply eating together. This is a time for a family to come together – to be together. There are other times during the day to discuss behavioral issues. We believe that mealtime should be reserved for the purpose of bringing everyone together. Whether they are discussing sports, movies, or the highlights from their day, this is when we want the boys to look forward to being together as a family.

Eagle Award



Jackson receives the monthly Eagle Award!

The Eagle Award is presented each month to the boy who deserves special recognition for his effort and/or achievement. Some boys receive the award because of the progress they are showing in school. Others receive it because of a turn-around they have made in their behavior at home. The Eagle Award provides the team in each Boys Home the opportunity to encourage one of the boys who needs an extra push, or who needs a special “atta boy!” Too many times, the boys in Sheridan House have received attention because of poor choices they have made. While in the program, they have the chance to receive positive attention and encouragement. Praise, affirmation, and recognition are powerful motivators for making changes in behavior because they sink in deep to reach the boy’s heart. The Eagle Award is one of the many ways this is accomplished in the Residential Program.



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Celebrating 50 YEARS OF SERVICE!

BOB AND ROSEMARY BARNES

Please join us as we dedicate our new Family Training Center and also honor Bob and Rosemary Barnes at our annual auction.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

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Scan to register or visit sheridanhouse.org/auction/
Due to limited seating, we can only accommodate children 12 and older. Dressy Casual Attire.