Partner with us to help end homelessness.

There are currently over 100 young adults on the waiting list for safe housing in Whatcom County.

You can help reduce this number to ZERO by creating more housing opportunities for young adults.

Northwest Youth Services provides housing and support services to homeless youth and young adults, ages 13-24, in both Whatcom and Skagit Counties.

In light of any disabilities requiring further assistance for program accessibility, please contact our office at (360) 734-9862 or visit us at 1020 North State Street. TDD relay services number 1-800-833-6388.

Northwest Youth Services provides equal access to employment and services without discrimination against any legally protected class.

Landlord? Property Manager?

You can help end homelessness in our community.

Whatcom County Office
1020 North State Street
Bellingham, WA 98225
(360) 734-9862

Skagit County Office
2204 Riverside Drive #210
Mount Vernon, WA 98273
(360) 366-1988

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Northwest Youth Services' Mission: Collaborate with at-risk, runaway and homeless youth to foster self-reliance.

A Proud Partner of the United Ways of Whatcom and Skagit Counties
Our Housing Programs Work

⇒ 87% of NWYS participants successfully move to independent living after an average of nine months in our program.

⇒ Permanent Housing Programs are evidence-based and are a key part of moving homeless young adults to successful independence.

NWYS Provides

Cost Savings
Landlords can save money in turnover costs, marketing costs, and potential legal fees.

Landlord and Tenant Support
Real-time support for young adult tenants and landlords.

Educated Renters
Financial Literacy and Renter Education classes are offered to all clients.

Regular Home Visits
NWYS staff enter the apartment to check on maintenance, cleanliness, and lease adherence.

Financial Assistance
Case Managers develop a clear payment plan with the client and give a copy of this to the landlord. Additional rent assistance is also provided when needed.

Why Rent to NWYS Clients?

Permanent Supportive Housing Program

In the Permanent Supportive Housing Program, Northwest Youth Services assists homeless young adults in finding an affordable place to live where they are the leaseholders, while providing wrap-around support services like regular case management, employment and educational training and assistance, mental health support, and more.

Who Does Our Program Serve?

• Young adults, ages 18-24, in Whatcom County.
• Young adults who want supportive services such as vocational training, case management, and short-term financial assistance.
• Individual and parenting young adults.
• Youth exiting the foster care system.
• Young adults in need of housing options.

How Can You Help?

• Rent to Northwest Youth Services clients.
• Accept rent subsidies from NWYS.
• Approve young adults with limited income.
• Contact us when you have a vacancy that needs to be filled.
• Talk with other landlords or property managers about the benefits of NWYS programs.

What our Clients Have to Say

“Checking in and budgeting at case management meetings worked really well; this kept me on track to make sure I would have enough saved for rent and to factor in other costs too.”
Jared, 20

“I remember the day my case manager unlocked the apartment door and welcomed me into the new place I could call my own.”
Jessey, 19

“It has allowed me to move toward building a better life for me and my son. It has given me the tools I needed to keep growing and to feel secure even when life was up in the air. I had help in finding a new job when I got laid off.”
Maddie, 24