

New Day Program

support and mentorship for Youth survivors of Sex Trafficking



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Who is eligible?

- Individuals of all genders 12-26 who have experiences commercial sexual exploitations, Sex Trafficking, spent time in the Sex Trades (often called "the life") or are at risk for any of the above.
- Culturally specific services
- Confidential and non-confidential
- DHS and non DHS
- In Multnomah county



The New Day Partnership

Like our services, New Day's program structure is rooted in partnership from multiple agencies that make up the New Day Collaborative AKA New Day Program

- Leverage more resources
- Collaborate with culturally specific providers
- Value unique skills and perspective of other agencies





New Avenues.

- Center/ hub of the partnership
- Outreach, Housing navigator, BIPOC Specific Mentor, LGBTQIA2S+ Mentor, DHS Mentor
- New Day Subsidy and New Day Transitional Housing
- Leverage crisis beds, other housing subsidy, shared housing, GED support, employment, Drop In services, mobile outreach internal



Call to Safety.

- 24/7 confidential hotline
- Motel vouchers
- Transportation vouchers

Leverage other internal housing support, RCT, or DV and ST lens for youth who are co-impacted



Raphael House.

- Prevention specialist who facilitates groups and can present at highschools and in community around ST risk
- Confidential shelter that is accessible through an SSA and RCT

NAYA.

- Native American Youth Association
- Confidential advocacy
- Culturally specific advocacy for Native youth and youth of color
- Leverage internal culturally specific resources
- Long standing and trusted relationship with community



VOA Home Free.

- Economic Empowerment support
- Advocacy for those aging out of New Day 26+
- Restraining order hotline



UNICA.

- El Programa Hispano Catolico
- Culturally specific and bilingual support for Latine youth
- Human trafficking resources
- Bilingual 24/7 hotline

The numbers

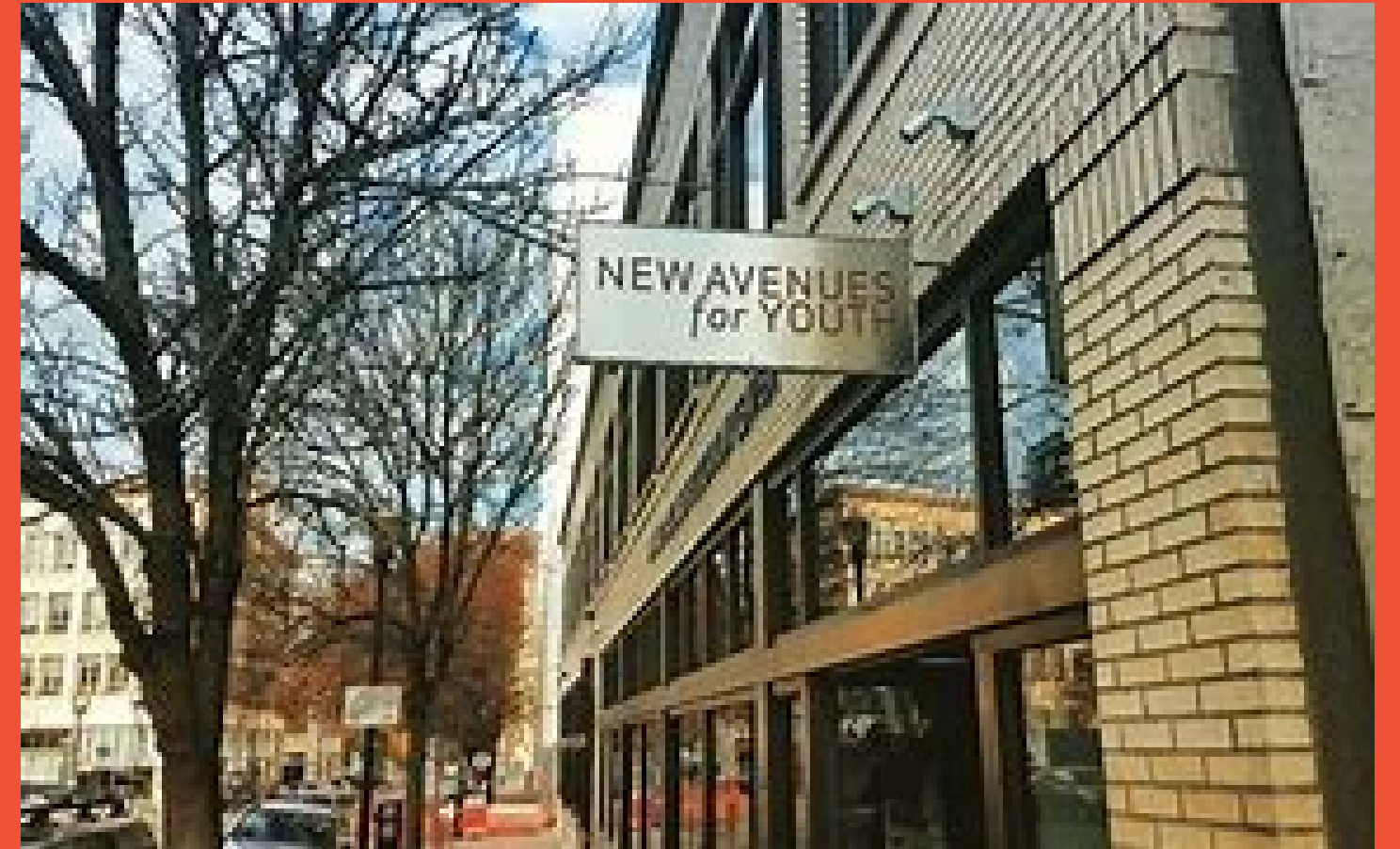
200: Youth contacts a year

75%: BIPOC Youth

65%: LGBTQIA2S+

\$135,000.00+:

A year in housing support



New Day is working to continue to expand and innovate services for survivors through relationship, community, and addressing the root causes of Sex Trafficking (racism, colonization, sexism, transphobia, homophobia, poverty etc.)

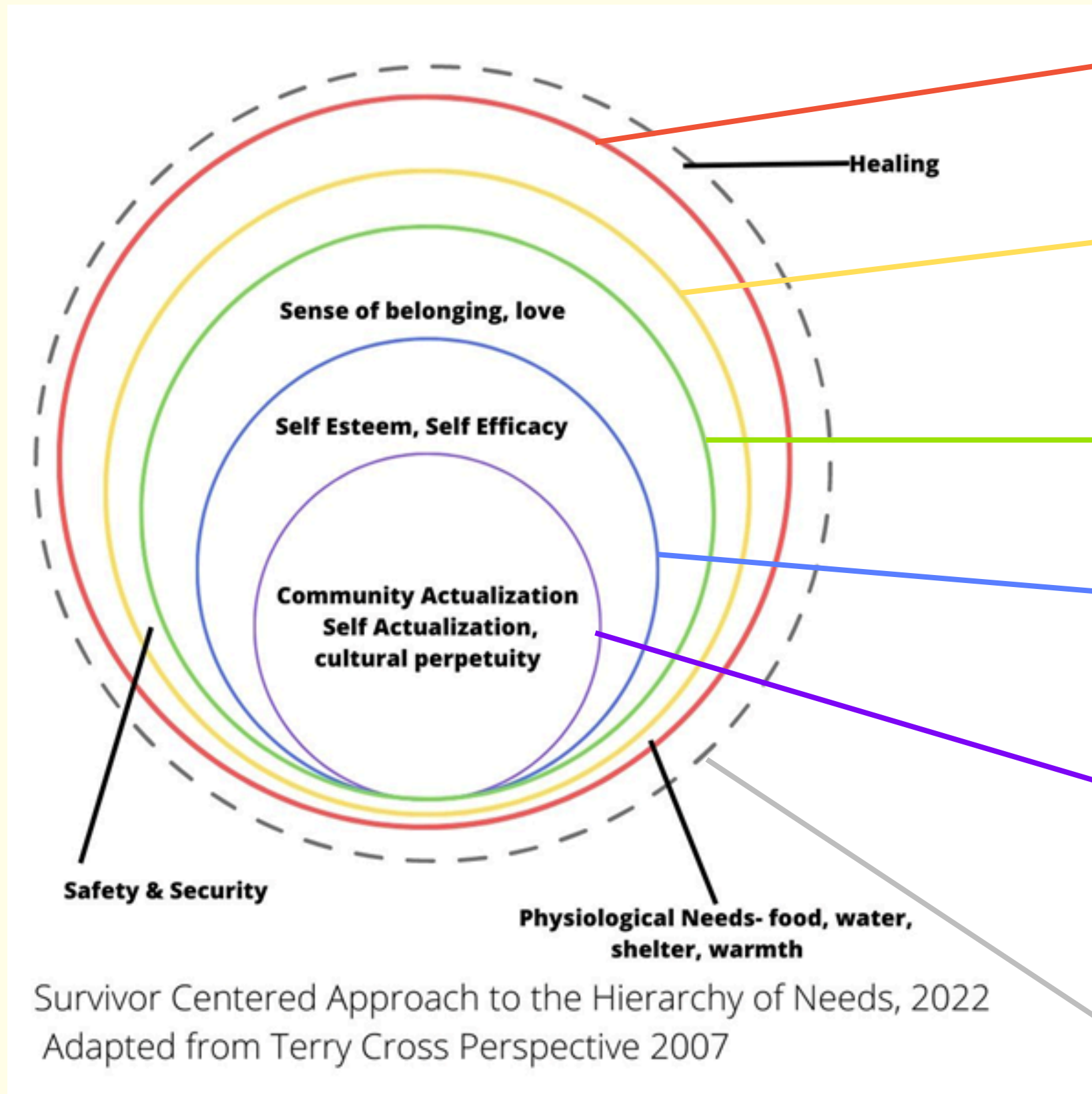
As of 2022 all members of the team have relvant lived experience to the work New Day does.

Values and beliefs

This is our lens both for supporting youth, supporting staff, and building relationship with community.

- Survivor leadership and lived experience
- Harm Reduction
- Trauma informed care
- Privacy and confidentiality
- Transparency
- T.R.E.M (Trauma recovery and empowerment)
- Strength based language
- Equity and inclusion
- Learning

A Holistic Approach



Outreach: Shelter navigation, low barrier safety planning, program supplies focused on basic needs, crisis support, referral to Drop in and other similar services

SNAP Specialist/ Benefits: Resource Navigation and referral
Mentorship: When youth in mentorship experience crisis or destabilization, shelter navigation, etc.

Outreach: VAWA lease breaks, safety planning, restraining order navigation(low barrier)

24/7 Hotline: 24/7 safety planning and confidential support

Mentorship/ Peer support: Ongoing support based in deeper relationship, building towards skills around safety and security, safety planning, court support, client assistance, resource coordination.

Housing: mid and high barrier (non-shelter) housing options

Economic Empowerment Specialist: Financial planning around fleeing abuse, building economic stability and financial abuse support

Mental Health: 1:1 Therapy

Non-judgmental staff with lived experience across the program, strong boundaries and youth centered approaches

Mental Health: Weekly groups

Mentorship/ peer Support: building long term relationship.

Mental Health: 1:1 Therapy

SNAP/ Outreach: Using strength-based language and trauma informed support.

Economic Empowerment Specialist: Financial goals

Working towards youth leaving program and having support and skills within themselves and community!

Trauma informed care, survivor lead, and culturally responsive services throughout. Honoring the role of healing for participants AND the overlap of many staff having lived experience and healing through this work

SEX TRAFFICKING YELLOW FLAGS

Tools for Parole and Probation Officers



Frequent pregnancy scares, expressing fear around who the co parent would be



Frequent injuries, visits to the ER, STIs or STDS



Does not seem to have control of important documents like ID, passport, Birth certificates



Mentions of large debt, history of be bonded out by a "partner" or "boss" who they now need to pay



Not employed , but often has expensive items, new clothing, phones, etc.



Hypersexuality, especially in navigating power structures



Boyfriend or partner frequently waits for them during meetings, is present on the phone when you call, participant often asks to use services to support him like paying his phone bill, etc.



PTSD, Mental Health Symptomts



Expressed fear or anxiety after being away from home, has limitations on how long they can leave

How does New Day identify eligible youth?

- Low barrier approach that honors nuance
 - by referral or self-disclosure
 - SCE-IT screening tool
- West Coast Childrens Clinic

How to refer Youth (12-26)



1. Reach out to the referral email at Newdayreferral@newavenues.org
2. Specify if you would like a **DHS referral** form or a general referral form
3. Fill out form on youth's behalf

OR

1. You can call the outreach line
2. The youth can call the outreach line
3. Outreach line: 503.258.7081



Here's the truth:

**New day alone isn't
going to end Sex
Trafficking.**

**Every day we commit to building a
community where resources and
supports are so abundant and accessible
that traffickers no longer have leverage
to cause harm.**