



Lynn's House at Center For Family Services

Mothers trapped in poverty, domestic violence, and addiction struggle to be good parents. Too often, these families have no health insurance, are victims of trauma, lack educational opportunities, are on the verge of homelessness, and are faced with the consequences of their substance abuse problems. With a lack of resources and support systems, these mothers and children suffer.

Lynn Kmiec knew that substance abuse affects the whole family, and she dedicated her life to making positive changes for women and children. From volunteering to feed, cloth, and collect donations for babies who were born addicted, to spearheading change in southern New Jersey, Lynn was dedicated to making a difference. Lynn passed away in 2003, but her memory lives on. Lynn paved the way for mothers to be able to access the resources necessary to strengthen their families and themselves.

To ensure her hard work and commitment would continue, Center For Family Services created “Lynn’s House” to make the Family First Program a reality in Camden City. Through the Family First program at Lynn’s House, Center For Family Services breaks down the barriers providing women with the opportunity to receive treatment by:

- Offering child care on site so moms can get help without worry for their children
- Creating the support structures necessary for recovery
- Providing transportation to the entire family so there is no reason to not go for help
- Holding individual and group counseling at various convenient times for the entire family

By supporting Lynn’s House at Center For Family Services, you will play an integral role in:

- Providing support for women to begin the process of recovery
- Increasing mothers’ participation in continued education and employment
- Empowering mothers to overcoming difficult pasts and extreme poverty
- Helping mothers to understand dependency and its impact on the family
- Stopping the cycle of abuse and neglect by assisting women in valuing themselves and their children
- Reuniting mothers and children

All proceeds from *A New Beginning...star studded evening* will benefit Lynn’s House at Center For Family Services, giving women the opportunity to work toward recovery and reunite with their children. Support the important work at Lynn’s House by contributing to A New Beginning Evening through sponsorships, advertisements, in-kind support and auction item donations.

Center For Family Services is a nonprofit human services agency with over 90 years of experience serving children and families through more than 40 programs. Our vision is for all people to lead capable, responsible, fulfilled lives in strong families and healthy communities. Our mission is to support and empower individuals, families, and communities to achieve a better life through vision, hope and strength.

To people in need or in crisis, to people who have had life-long challenges, or to people whose lives have changed in a second, we are support, help, counsel, food, shelter, a kind word... a sense of hope.