

CHRISTOPHER PLACE EMPLOYMENT ACADEMY

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN ACTION



SUMMARY

Christopher Place Employment Academy is a residential employment academy that invites men to engage in a process of change from homelessness to permanent stable living, preparing to obtain full-time employment, and living a drug-free life.

In FY24, Christopher Place Employment Academy continued to provide a unique supportive program model to men in the community. 21 men successfully achieved capstone and secured employment (this number isn't right). Many have taken advantage of various job training programs and started new career paths in peer recovery support, construction and truck driving. In FY24, Christopher Place grew its post-covid enrollment numbers and expanded its community partnerships, aimed at providing employment and housing to those transitioning back into the community.

KEY OUTCOMES



Percentage of men who entered job readiness phase of program placed into employment

100%



Percentage of participants who received support from Villa Maria Behavioral Health services

92%



Percentage of participants who exited Christopher Place into permanent housing

74%



Number of individuals who achieved alumni status by completing all phases of the program and maintaining employment for at least one year

10

SERVICES PROVIDED

- Housing
- Secure personal savings account
- Soft skills training
- Hard skills training
- Health assessments with licensed nurse practitioner
- Clinical behavioral and substance use support and treatment
- GED preparation
- Professional interview clothing
- Physical fitness instruction

KEY GOVERNMENT FUNDERS

- Maryland Department of Human Services (MD DHS)
- Baltimore City Emergency Food and Shelter Program

In addition to the grant support from key government funders, we extend our deepest gratitude to the individuals, corporations, community partners, and foundations that support our work. Their generosity provides life-changing opportunities for families and individuals in need.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- University of Maryland School of Nursing
- University of Maryland School of Social Work
- Better U
- Back On My Feet
- MECU Credit Union
- Art with a Heart

PROGRAM NEEDS

- Snack baskets
- Housewarming baskets for those exiting to community-based housing
- Professional attire
- Toiletries/sanitizers
- Volunteer facilitators
- Classroom/instructional supplies

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