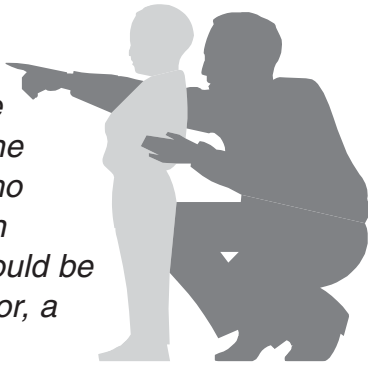


"Children must have at least one person who believes in them. It could be a counselor, a teacher, a preacher, a friend. It could be you. You never know when a little love, a little support, will plant a small seed of hope."



*- Marian Wright Edelman
"The Measure Of Our Success"*

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History and Philosophy

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. is a private non-profit agency incorporated in 1974 to serve neglected, abused, and homeless youth and their families. RGH, Inc. was conceived by a small group of concerned local individuals who were committed to making a difference in the lives of troubled children. The agency is governed by a volunteer board of directors comprised of community members from throughout the Western Maine area.

Mission Statement

IT IS THE MISSION OF RUMFORD GROUP HOMES, INC. TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER PROGRAMS TO ENHANCE THE SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES THROUGH A QUALITY, COMPREHENSIVE CONTINUUM OF CARE IN THE FIELDS OF SOCIAL SERVICES, EDUCATION, CORRECTIONS, MENTAL HEALTH AND HOUSING.

Program Description

The agency opened its first residential program in 1974 serving nine adolescent boys as an alternative to incarceration at the Maine Youth Center. Today, RGH, Inc. operates nine residential and community based programs serving youth from five to 21 years old and their families. We are unique as we offer a continuum of services for youth and families who enter any one of our programs.

RGH, Inc. continues to develop new programs based on the success of its original group home. The philosophy for our success is relatively simple: Provide a safe and nurturing environment by caring professionals within a caring community which supports residents in acquiring the skills they need to support themselves. Lengths of stay in our programs vary depending on the individual needs of the resident and services of the program.



The Department of Health and Human Services licenses all RGH, Inc. programs as Residential Child Care facilities. Our treatment and crisis programs also carry mental health licenses. Our residential school is licensed by the Maine Department of Education.

Services Provided Include:

Residential programming is one of the most demanding social service systems to operate. The residents are served 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Youth workers work closely with each individual to understand his/her needs. Our goals are to help each youth feel safe, fulfilled and nurtured and to support each resident in his/her cognitive, emotional, daily living and educational skills.

Our community-based, case management program serves local at-risk youth referred by the Department of Corrections Juvenile Probation Officer(s), local school guidance departments, local social service agencies, police departments, and emergency shelters. Staff work closely with the youth and their families to identify appropriate educational programs, meet community service obligations, work on self esteem and leadership skills, identify and address any mental health issues, and find appropriate housing and/or reunification with family as appropriate.

