

2021

TREATMENT • PREVENTION  
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# ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY







## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we look back on **five decades** of rich history, we know the next fifty years will be **made possible because of people like you**, who stand with us and believe in our mission.

As I write my first letter as the Executive Director, I am reflecting on the humble beginnings of Corner House and the tremendous impact we have had on the community.

My own beginnings here started just over 25 years ago, when I joined the Corner House team as a full-time clinician in our treatment program. Since then, I have watched our programs grow and adapt to the needs of our community.

As we have evolved over the years, one thing has remained the same: **we could do none of it without your ongoing support.**

Corner House was visionary when it began in 1972. Over the years, we have evolved into a community-based organization dedicated to providing cutting edge approaches in outreach, leadership, prevention, and treatment of substance use and co-occurring mental health disorders.

Over the past 50 years, Corner House has made a remarkable impact in our community, as evidenced by the countless transformed lives. We have a proud history to share and celebrate as we enter into our Golden Anniversary.

The past two years have tested all of us, as we navigate the struggles associated with COVID-19.

We are proud that our long-standing programs have continued to positively impact the community, despite new obstacles and challenges brought on by a global pandemic.

As the past two years have shown, the need for our services has never been greater, and ***your support has never been more essential.***

With your help, we can continue to create new and innovative approaches in treatment, prevention, outreach, and leadership. **We can continue to change lives. We can continue to save lives.**

Thank you for standing with us,

Dave Errickson,  
Executive Director

# If this year has taught us anything, it's this: behavioral health care providers need to be agile and responsive to the changing needs of their clients and community.

As our world continues to change, Corner House continues to grow, offering the hope of new beginnings and brighter futures to our community.

Social connections play a vital role in the lives of both students and clients. Restoring the crucial in-person component to our programs has been a key goal for the Corner House team over the past year. Our team has worked tirelessly to safely resume critical in-person services, while also enhancing our remote programming, ensuring the continued provision of top-tier services.

We are excited to share that we are providing in-person substance abuse treatment options for our clients and in-person student programming.

These in-person gatherings are essential to help our clients and students

realize a healthy future and heal from the trauma of social isolation and pandemic fallout.

As we close out this year of change, we look toward the future and the new opportunities it brings.

In 2022, we celebrate 50 years of service to our community, *and we are not done learning, growing, and expanding.*

We are excited to embark on the next 50 years, expanding our impact and helping more youth, adults, and families than ever as we help and heal our Princeton community. As always, our mission remains the same:

**To prevent and treat alcohol and drug addiction by engaging and supporting youth, adults, and families in life-long healthy living and recovery.**

## HOW OUR PROGRAMS ARE FUNDED

Municipality of Princeton- 44%  
Mercer County- 9%  
NJ Dept. of Human Services- 6%  
Princeton Public Schools- 2%

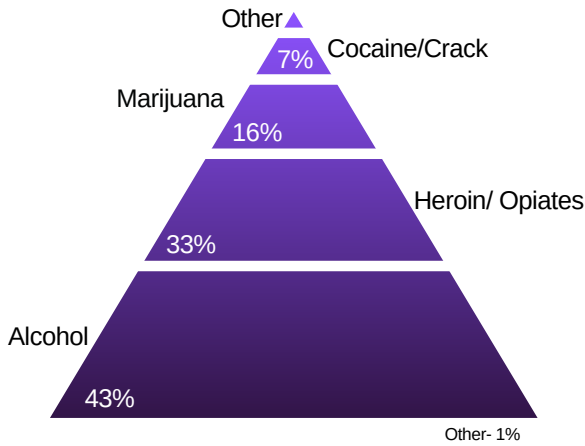
Corner House Foundation- 20%  
Medicaid Reimbursement- 16%  
Client Fees (returned to Princeton) - 3%



# TREATMENT SERVICES



At Corner House Behavioral Health, we know that no two stories, no two cases, no two people, are exactly the same. The paths to recovery are as varied as the circumstances of addiction. Our masters-level clinicians provide integrated treatment for substance use disorders and co-occurring disorders. Our clinical process utilizes evidence-based practices in order to treat and support our clients' personal recovery. We understand recovery to mean moving beyond illness to live a self-directed life and achieve their full potential.



## Standard Outpatient

Combines individual and group sessions for up to eight hours of weekly services



## Intensive Outpatient

Combines group treatment three days a week with weekly individual sessions



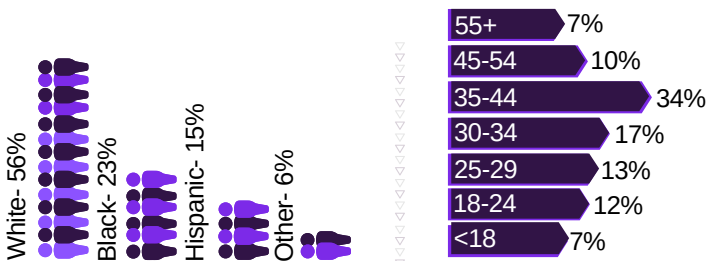
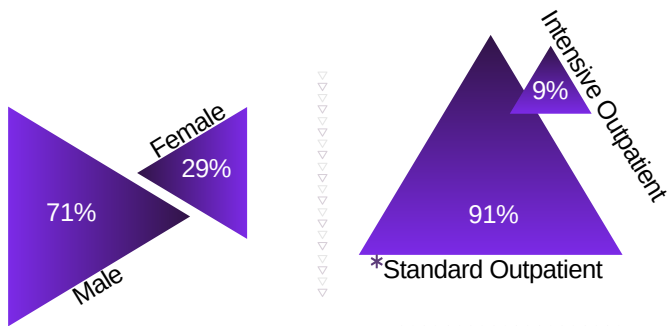
## Individualized Treatment

Our team of clinicians works with clients to determine the best path to success



## Evidence-Based Practices

Acceptance and Commitment Therapy, EMDR, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing



\* During the pandemic, intensive outpatient services were limited for safety



# LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

## TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)

TAG is comprised of high school juniors who work together for a healthy, drug-free future by developing and presenting workshops for 5th and 8th grade students.

## GROWING UP ACCEPTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL IN AMERICA (GAIA)

GAIA students work together to promote peace, stop hate, and combat bullying by developing impactful workshops which they then present to 2nd and 5th grade students in Princeton public schools.


## CORNER HOUSE STUDENT BOARD (CHSB)

CHSB is designed for high school seniors to build essential leadership skills and foster civic engagement by working together to create fun, drug-free events for their peers, reducing the risk that teens will turn to drugs and alcohol during out-of-school time. CHSB students also serve as representatives on municipal boards.

## SENIORS FOR SENIORS

What began as a response to social isolation has grown into a continuing program that promotes positive mentor relationships between high school seniors from Corner House Student Board and members of the Princeton Senior Resource Center.



 **320**  
hours of building connections through CHSB's Seniors for Seniors program

 **13**  
drug free activities organized by Corner House Student Board

 **400**  
2nd, 5th, & 8th grade students participated in TAG & GAIA workshops

 **66**  
students participate in all leadership teams

 **5,280**  
hours of community service

# OUTREACH PROGRAMS



Our evidence-based outreach programs are designed to meet the unique needs of youth in our community. Our program initiatives are both gender-responsive and age-specific to provide a continuum of support and ensure successful transition from middle school → high school → and beyond.

## ADVOCACY FOR YOUTH PROJECT (AYP)

Our Advocacy for Youth Project is a year-round initiative designed to equip ninth and tenth grade students with the tools they need for a successful transition to high school.

## PRINCETON YOUTH PROJECT (PYP)

PYP is a gender-responsive program providing young men in grades 11-12 with the job and leadership skills, college readiness, tutoring and individualized guidance they need to thrive after high school.

## WORLD OF WORK FOR YOUTH (WOWY)

WOWY is a gender-responsive program for young women in grades 11-12, offering the job skills, leadership workshops, tutoring, SAT and college prep, and guidance they need for a bright future.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

### ACADEMIC SUCCESS TODAY (AST)

Our Academic Success Today program pairs students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades from Princeton Middle School with mentors from Princeton University.

### SUPER TEENS ACTING RESPONSIBLY (STAR)

STAR is a gender-responsive weekly chat group for girls attending Princeton Middle School.

**"Corner House helped me navigate high school and be a better student so I could go to college."**

-Corner House Outreach Student





**"Corner House provided a lot of mentorship when times were really hard for me."**

-Corner House Outreach Student



**658**

hours of mentorship provided to students in AST



**982**

hours of leadership and job readiness training in high school outreach programs



**150**

hours of guidance provided during STAR program



**44**

students in AST and STAR middle school programs



**100%**

of seniors graduate high school and go on to college, trade school, or the military



**100%**

of students promote to the next grade level in high school outreach programs



**12**

college tours for students in high school outreach programs

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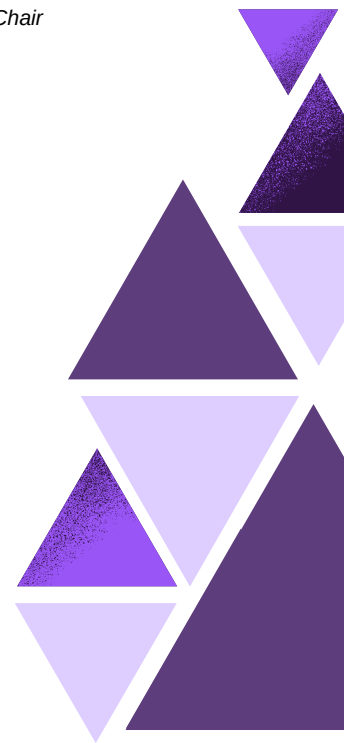
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