

THE CHICAGO HOUSE MISSION

The mission of Chicago House is to provide community-based housing, case management and supportive services responsive to the changing needs of individuals and families living with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). All Chicago House services are provided without discrimination, and are explicitly designed to respect and preserve the dignity and independence of all clients.

OUR ORGANIZATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

People living with AIDS generally experience a slow erosion of their personal autonomy. The philosophical methodology of Chicago House's supportive housing model is to enable each resident to reclaim as many of his/her self-empowering life choices as possible.

Chicago House offers services that meet the client's daily living needs and provide the freedom to pursue their personal goals and objectives. Respect for the individual dignity and autonomy of each client takes precedence over all other Agency objectives, and client satisfaction remains the standard by which we measure our success.

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Licensed nursing care is provided by **Horizon Hospice**, the city's most experienced hospice provider. Horizon is licensed in Illinois and is certified by Medicare and Medicaid.

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24-Hour Care Program

*A residential
hospice alternative
for people living
with AIDS*

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Everyone involved with Chicago House shares an intense commitment...to ensure that people with AIDS have the compassionate support that they need, and the dignity and respect they deserve.

THE HOSPICE PROGRAM

The hospice program at Chicago House offers people in the final stages of AIDS the opportunity to live in a home-like environment while receiving palliative care comparable to that offered in more institutional settings. The staff's sensitivity to and experience in caring for people with AIDS enables them to offer unsurpassed support to both the client and his or her family. Residents have access to the full range of supportive services available to all Chicago House clients, including comprehensive case management.

OUR EXPERT STAFF

Licensed nursing staff are secured through a contract with Horizon Hospice, one of the area's leading hospice providers. The staff offers around-the-clock hospice and medical care to residents, attending to personal care needs, offering medical and emotional support, and providing custodial care. All services are specifically designed to offer the medical and spiritual support needed to face dying with dignity, strength and peace.

The hospice team at Chicago House includes a program supervisor, a physician, nurses, case managers, counselors and volunteers. Chicago House is committed to providing for each person's physical, emotional and spiritual well-

being so that he or she can experience the highest quality of life possible, free from unnecessary pain, treatment or isolation. Palliative care (pain and symptom management) is provided by experts working cooperatively with the resident's medical practitioner.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND SERVICES

Residents of the 24-Hour Care Program are provided with a generously-sized, private, furnished bedroom, three hot meals per day, housekeeping support, referrals to financial, legal and medical professionals, substance abuse screening and recovery support. Hospice counseling and bereavement support are offered to family members and close friends, who are able to stay with the resident in their final days. Trained volunteers provide companionship and practical support.

Chicago House was founded in 1985 by a dedicated group of concerned citizens. Since then, more than six hundred men, women and children have found a safe and supportive home at Chicago House.

Chicago House welcomes individual, corporate and community assistance. For more information on our volunteer or donor programs, please call (312) 248-5200, extension 304.