



## More About Connecticut Junior Republic...

Established in 1904, the Connecticut Junior Republic provides residential and community-based care, treatment, and education for troubled and at-risk boys and girls.

CJR's community-based programs help troubled youth and families learn to function productively and responsibly, while ensuring that boys and girls remain in their home environment.

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CJR provides services for children, youth, and families of any race, color, and national or ethnic origin.



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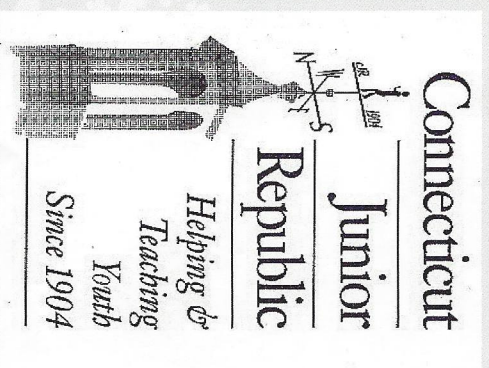
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## The CARE Program Center for Assessment, Respite, and Enrichment



*A century of caring for youth*



## CARE Mission Statement:

To identify a girl's strengths and challenges while helping them develop new coping skills that can enable them to be successful in their home environment.

## What is CARE...

The CARE program is a short term residential program where girls can feel safe in times of crisis. During this time we help the girl and her family think about their strengths and challenges, assess their needs, and assist them in taking the necessary steps to achieve their goals.

## Referral Source:

All CARE referrals are generated by either a Superior Court Juvenile Matters Probation Officer or a staff member of a Family Support Center. Statewide referrals are accepted. Return referrals may also come from the aftercare provider, generated by the girl's stay at CARE, following a crisis.

For further information  
please contact the CARE  
Program Director  
Cassandra Luckay, MSW,  
at 203-757-9939

## Eligibility:

CARE accepts adolescent/teenage girls ages eleven to seventeen who are involved with the court for a status offense (runaway, beyond parental or school control, truancy) or offenses related to the family such as domestic violence. Girls committing minor offenses handled non-judicially may also be eligible.

## Length of Stay:

Six CARE beds are available and the length of stay is 14 days (2 weeks).

## A few extra details...

- \* Participation in the CARE program is voluntary. Although once you commit to the program, it is expected that you will then complete the 2 week stay.
- \* Each girl is able to bring their own clothes from home and personal belongings.
- \* No cell phones or electronic devices are permitted at CARE.
- \* During the respite period, parents or guardians will be required to meet with their child's caseworker to discuss progress made and plans for aftercare.
- \* During the school year, absences will be excused while at CARE. The classroom teacher will also request any school work available at that time, to be completed at CARE.

## Visiting Hours:

Only immediate family members can visit the girls at CARE, and all visits will be supervised by CARE staff. We do not set specific visiting hours to accommodate families with different work schedules. We do ask that you speak with your child's caseworker or a member of the CARE staff to schedule your visit prior to coming, to assure that the girls are in the building. We also ask that visits occur prior to 8pm so that we are able to maintain the girls' nightly routine.

## Services Provided:

- \* A Safe and Healthy Environment
  - \* Emotional Support
  - \* Crisis Intervention
  - \* Assessment
  - \* Respite
- \* Individual, Group, and Family Counseling
  - \* Gender Specific Groups
  - \* Educational component (School)
- \* Ongoing communication with probation officer, school faculty, and family members
  - \* Crisis Intervention
  - \* Recreation
- \* Aftercare planning to bridge services from CARE to other community providers