



Men & Women Pursuing Change

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What is C.G.O.?

Community, Growth and Opportunity, Inc (C.G.O.) is a non-profit Faith-based Service organization which provides and develops relief programs for the poor, distressed and underprivileged who are in need of housing, health, education, nutrition and social welfare programs. One of its primary services is linking men and women to housing. Some of our Staten Island, NY based programs were founded in 2001 by the Powerhouse Church of Healing and Deliverance, Inc., within the Women's Ministry Department; after a need arose for men and women requiring safe transitional housing.

C.G.O. currently links single men and women to Housing (Permanent and Transitional); Health Services; Entitlement Services; Education, Work Training, and Employment programs. Each client receives an individualized service plan that lays out 3 goals, e.g. to obtain housing, Finances and Health Services. When enrolled into the C.G.O. program, they will receive services through either our U.W.M. program which provides Domestic Violence Education/Training and Retreats; The LaNor Project once known as The Hadassah Project of C.G.O. which is Transformative Housing and Employment; The Jordan Crossing; or our Women Taking Charge 2, Beginners Business Development and Employment Training program.

All residents in our various programs have at least two common goals 1) to acquire their own permanent housing, and 2) to position themselves financial, emotionally and spiritually to be able to maintain their housing. C.G.O. provides ***In-house Mentoring and Personal Case Management Services to help ensure client success in these areas.*** C.G.O. does charge a nominal fee for these services and sponsorship may be available for clients that can demonstrate a desire and a written plan to obtain these goals.

C.G.O. also partners with other Corporations to provide housing, employment, and to present workshops, seminars, conferences and small groups that help to empower men and women in the areas of Finance, Health, and Housing. C.G.O.'s programming goal is that each client is equipped with the necessary skills and access to maintain their current and future personal goals.

What is the enrollment criteria?

1. Applicant must be 18 years or older.
2. Applicant clearly desires placement in the housing program and is being admitted willingly.
3. Applicant is able to meet financial requirement, where applicable. (Public Assistance, SSI/SSD, Employed)
4. Applicant has clearly documented diagnosis of mental health, medical issues, or DV report.
5. Applicant is able to take medication independently without 24 hour staff supervision.
6. Applicant is medically stable and appropriate.
7. Applicant is a legal alien.
8. Applicants for permanent housing must provide at least 2 references.
9. Applicant is willing and in agreement to follow all in house and affiliate program rules and regulations.

What information does C.G.O, need to begin the application process?

Referrals coming from institutions must include the following information: Psychosocial, Mental Status exam, Physical and PPD. Upon receiving and reviewing the client's information, an interview date will be scheduled for the client.

*Referrals from other sources may submit a reference letter and have their client submit a Physical and PPD. Applicant must call for an appointment.

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