

Second Story's vision is of a community in which all young people are safe, live in nurturing environments, and have opportunities to reach their fullest potentials. Founded in 1972 as "Alternative House," Second Story transforms the lives of children, youth, and their families by providing safe havens and opportunities to grow and thrive. Our programs provide support at critical turning points in their lives.

## DONATE

Make a financial contribution to help ensure all young people in crisis have access to safe havens.

## ATTEND AN OPEN DOOR SESSION

Join us for an Open Door Information Session to find out how Second Story's programs are helping our most vulnerable populations.

## VOLUNTEER

Help serve local youth and families in need by lending a hand to our programs.

## LISTEN TO OUR PODCAST

We share real stories from community members who had first stories of hardship and were able to write better second stories.

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Helping teens in crisis, young mothers, youth experiencing homelessness, and community members in need since 1972.



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**Second Story offers programs in Northern Virginia and serves youth from the Washington, D.C. area and beyond.**

## NONPROFIT STATUS

Second Story is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, which receives funding from various federal and local entities, including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Fairfax County's Consolidated Community Funding Pool. Second Story also receives significant funding from private foundations, corporations, individuals, and the faith community.

*Housing and supportive services are provided to eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, familial status, or handicap, and particularly to those who were least likely to apply in the absence of special outreach.*

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## Second Story for Teens in Crisis

- Emergency home for teens ages 13-17
- 24/7 Crisis Hotline
- Counseling, meals, and support for teens experiencing homelessness or another crisis

Second Story for Teens in Crisis is a voluntary program for young people experiencing homelessness, abuse, trafficking, neglect, or other crisis situations. Much more than just a place to sleep, Second Story for Teens in Crisis is a licensed youth residential facility, designed to help young people pursue health and wellness. Each teen receives intensive individual, group, and family counseling and educational support. Young people may stay for up to three weeks at a time as staff and counselors help them plan their next steps and write their second stories.

**NEED HELP?** Call 1-800-SAY-TEEN or text "TEENHELP" to 855-11 to reach a live counselor.

## Second Story for Homeless Youth

- Youth experiencing homelessness, ages 18-24
- Housing for one to two years depending on the program
- Rent help, access to services, coaching, life skills training

Second Story for Homeless Youth steps in at a critical moment for youth finishing high school, starting college, or entering adulthood as they seek an empowered future. We provide counseling and life skills training, rental assistance, and material support to help them overcome trauma and hardship and reach their full potential. On average, more than 80% of these young people meet their employment goals and almost 100% meet their education goals.

## Second Story for Young Mothers

- Pregnant and parenting youth, ages 16-24 (housing available for ages 18-21)
- Housing, food, clothing, diapers, and baby supplies
- Parenting and life skills training

Second Story for Young Mothers helps young women attain stability and independence as they build a life for themselves and their children. We provide housing, counseling, and training to women experiencing homelessness in the Washington, D.C. region who are pregnant or have young children. With an emphasis on parenting skills, education, job readiness, financial literacy, life skills, and self-sufficiency, young women work to be able to support themselves and their children, breaking cycles of poverty, abuse, and homelessness.



## Second Story in the Community

- Help for elementary-age youth, teens, adults, families
- After-school programs, food, clothing, translation help, access to resources, and more
- Asesoramiento En Español

Second Story in the Community helps youth, their families, and others in underserved communities get the support they need to write their second stories. We run Fairfax County Family Resource Centers that focus on self-sufficiency, leadership, health and financial education, and parenting skills and offer food distribution and other support. Our Safe Youth Projects offer homework help, recreational activities, educational field trips, and workshops for youth in fourth through six grades. Our Culmore Teen Center provides teenagers with a supportive and welcoming environment away from gangs and violence where they can receive help with school, the college application process, career planning, and leadership skills. Second Story also proudly serves as the lead agency for the Bailey's Crossroads area as part of Opportunity Neighborhoods (ON). Through ON, we work alongside residents, government, public schools, and other partners to elevate community voices, provide training, and deliver resources to the community.