







PUTTING HOPE WITHIN REACH

A Women's Faith-Based Residential Recovery Center





Most people struggling with addiction do not know how to escape the chaos on their own.

The Mission of **Adult & Teen Challenge** of Northeastern Wisconsin is to help individuals attain freedom from chemical addictions and other lifecontrolling problems by addressing their spiritual, physical, and emotional needs.

IN WISCONSIN* ERY AGE GROUP BINGE DRINKS MORE THAN THE U.S. MEDIAN AVERAGE

*Wisconsin Dept. of Health Services



- Waupaca County Public Health Department participates in the Narcan program to counteract the overdose crisis
- Waupaca County's Overdose Fatality Review Team (OFRT) initiated (in 2023) an action plan to enhance prevention strategies
- "Over 30% of addiction-related deaths in Northeast Wisconsin are women-a silent crisis demanding urgent action."

Northeast Wisconsin Death Statistics Through 2023

DEATHS OVER THE PAST 7 YRS. DUE TO ALCOHOL: 4,552

DEATHS OVER THE PAST 7 YRS. DUE TO COCAINE: 282

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Our targeted reach area for Northeastern, WI (By County): Our targeted reach area for Northeastern, WI (By County): Brown, Outagamie, Waupaca, Shawano, Marinette, Oconto, Menominee, Door, Kewaunee, Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Waushara, Green Lake, Marquette



THE HOW & THE RESULTS



We offer a 1-year faith-based recovery program for women struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. The program is designed to help individuals get to the root of their issues. We believe that through Christ, individuals find the strength to overcome addiction and the grace to start anew. Our approach is holistic, encompassing physical, psychological, and spiritual aspects. Our faith-based approach has been proven effective in helping individuals achieve long-term sobriety, personal growth, rebuilding relationships, and reintegrating into society as productive members.

Our goal is LIFE TRANSFORMATION and FAMILY RESTORATION

ADULT& TEEN I **CHALLENGE** NATIONAL **RESULTS** A recent study conducted by the Center for **Compassion at Evangel University in 2019** on 74 Adult & Teen Challenge addiction recovery centers confirms astonishing results.

Graduates of the One-Year Program:

78%

Remain sober and substance-free 8-20 months post-graduation

91%

Reported that their relationships with family members have improved

92%

Reported no new legal problems post-graduation

THE 1-YEAR PROGRAM



3 months to complete for a total of 1-year. Every level is designed to build on the foundation of the previous. Residents work to overcome self-destructive patterns associated with their substance use.

The program is divided into four levels, each taking



LEVEL III

Accept - Recognition of destructive habits and thoughts that lead to substance abuse.

LEVEL 2

Heal - Focus on healing the wounds of any trauma, past failures, and broken relationships.

LEVEL 3

Discover - Through character development and spiritual growth, an individual will identify personal strengths and individual goals.

LEVEL 4

Practice - Transitioning into the future includes securing full-time employment or enrolling in higher education, financial budget and planning, leadership skills, and developing a relapse prevention plan.



Our Aftercare Program ensures each resident has a new and healthy community through having a mentor, a home church, and attending a Celebrate Recovery small group. Our resident's aftercare plan is essential to their overall success and lifelong sobriety.

Additional: We provide pastoral counseling and tailored assignments to meet each individual's specific needs.

We are a completely tobacco-free organization.

We know that may be difficult for some people, but we believe in promoting a healthy lifestyle for our residents, staff, and volunteers.





PERSONAL TRANSFORMATION

CHOIR PARTICIPATION

Our residents will be a member of the **ATCNEW** choir and will travel to different churches on Sunday mornings. The choir is an excellent way for residents to engage in community worship. It also provides ministry outreach to church partners and hurting individuals — every time the choir sings and shares our recovery stories, other hurting individuals are encouraged to seek help.



Regular church services, weekly chapels, participation in bible study groups and other recovery groups all help in the growth process.

WORK THERAPY

Work therapy allows our residents to practice what they learn in our program about being productive citizens. Our giveback program requires each resident to serve several hours weekly in community service capacities to foster work ethic and character.

MENTORING

Approved female volunteer mentors come alongside our residents to help foster spiritual growth and continued sobriety. The mentor program is open to all residents in our 1-year program.

Our goal is to provide a living environment that is safe, supportive, therapeutic and peaceful.









COST & SERVICES





We are primarily funded from local churches, businesses, foundations, grants and individuals.

Our standard is to help individuals who do not have the financial resources for long-term residential treatment. Cost should not hinder assisting those ready to reclaim their lives and families.

Contributions go directly towards our operations to provide quality care and resources for our program participants, including counseling, vocational training, life skills education, spiritual mentoring, and reentry. As donors invest in our program, they equally invest in the health and strength of our communities impacted by addiction and its effects.

Our work is only possible with the generous support of our donors. Their partnerships significantly impact our ability to offer these life-changing services to those in need.



EXECUTIVE **DIRECTOR**

Vaushawn Johnson

In 2020, Vaushawn became the Executive Director of **Adult & Teen Challenge Northeastern Wisconsin**, launching a 39-month campaign that resulted in the 2024 opening of a 20-bed treatment center and an 8-bed sober living facility for men in Green Bay.

Vaushawn's passion for recovery is deeply rooted in his personal story. Growing up in a home marked by addiction, he witnessed the devastating effects of substance abuse firsthand. In 2008, his life was transformed through faith and recovery, breaking the cycle of addiction in his family. Since 2009, he has devoted himself to guiding others toward lasting freedom through Christ-centered recovery programs.

Professionally, Vaushawn's journey began in 2011 as Program Manager for Minnesota Adult & Teen Challenge's men's residential recovery program. Over seven years, he demonstrated unwavering dedication to helping men overcome addiction while addressing complex issues like crime, incarceration, and behavioral change.

In 2018, Vaushawn expanded his influence by becoming the Academy Program Director in partnership with Prison Fellowship, a faith-based organization delivering proven programs in more than 1,000 prisons across the United States. At the Minnesota Department of Corrections Lino Lakes facility, he led a team that empowered over 140 male inmates annually to achieve personal transformation, successfully reintegrate into society, and significantly reduce reoffending recidivism rates.



Today, Vaushawn is committed to expanding and establishing **Adult & Teen Challenge** residential programs throughout Northeastern Wisconsin for both men and women to combat its addiction crisis. With a steadfast commitment to delivering proven, effective recovery solutions, he is passionate about bringing hope, healing, and lasting transformation to individuals, families, and communities across the region.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

JEREMIAH 29:11 NIV

OUR VISION FOR ATCNEW

Lives Transformed, Families Restored, & Communities Strengthened







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