

## The Family Care Center Serves:

A mother who is:

- At risk of losing custody of her child(ren) primarily due to her substance use
- Seeking to be reunified with her child(ren) from foster care while actively engaging in a recovery program.
- Willing to sign a Voluntary Placement Agreement for her child(ren) to be temporarily placed with the Department of Social Services
- At least 18 years of age
- Willing to work with the program's rules and guidelines



## **Epworth Family Care Center**

# Supporting mothers and children through family preservation.

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## What is the Family Care Center?

Epworth's Family Care Center (FCC) is a residential facility that supports mothers with substance use disorders with their recovery journey. In a safe, supportive, healthy, and comfortable environment, mothers and their children live together while working towards long-term recovery and family reunification. Issues including addiction, abuse, neglect, trauma, parenting skills and child development are addressed through counseling, education and training.



The Family Care Center does more than provide safety, shelter and meals. Each family receives an individualized comprehensive care plan that addresses emotional, physical, educational, medical and spiritual needs. The staff create an environment that transforms lives and builds hopeful futures.

Mothers and their children may stay in the FCC for six months as they rebuild their lives and prepare for a successful life of longterm recovery, independence, and permanent family reunification with their children.

## **Program Benefits**

#### **Healthy Relationships**

Parenting skills development for mother and father. Facilities and supervision provided for visitation by extended family.

#### **Recovery Living Practices and Spirituality**

On-campus case manager assigned to each family; On-campus pastor and faith formation activities.

#### Life Skills and Recreational Health

Healthy Lifestyle Module Curriculum, Money Management, Family Dinners and Activities; On-campus gymnasium, swimming pool (with a certified life guard).

#### Nutrition and Wellness

On campus Health Center with 24 hour medical support staff; transportation to clinical, medical, dental and vision appointments.

#### **Educational and Vocational Services**

GED Services; On-campus child care; Award winning local schools; After-school tutorials and summer enrichment.

### **Program Phases**

**Phase One** of the program provides the greatest level of support. As a mother gains greater recovery, life and parenting skills, she will be promoted to phase two.

Phase Two is where she will gain more independence.

**Phase Three** is the part of the program in which mothers are working their independent living plan for a successful discharge. Phase Three includes gainful employment, securing housing and child care, and identification of support services to be utilized after discharge.

