MISSION

To improve the quality of life for individuals and their families whose lives have been impacted by negative life experiences; and to provide education, mentoring and advocacy for individuals and their children as they successfully transform their lives after incarceration or other life changing experiences.

VISION

Individuals who have been equipped with the necessary skills and supports will be empowered to improve the quality of life for themselves and their families.

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Special points of interest

- Marsha gave a commencement address at Ashland University. (click) <u>Here</u> to listen.
- Make a donation \$\$\$ to Amiracle4sure, Inc.
- Visit our Facebook page for daily postings of <u>Amiracle</u> happenings.
- <u>Timothy White</u> premiere podcast on life trajectory for reentry.



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Pennsylvania Governor's Board of Pardons Recommends Pardon for <u>Marsha Curry-Nixon</u>

In August of 2023, the PA Board of Pardons, by a vote of 5-0, granted a public hearing to consider a clemency application on behalf of Marsha Curry -Nixon. The hearing was conducted on November 8th, 2023, and by a vote of 5-0, the Board of Pardons made a recommendation to Governor Shapiro to grant a Governor's Pardon to Marsha. This marks a culmination of some 27 years of rehabilitative growth on the part of Marsha.

Her transformation started on the inside, first with self-forgiveness, and then allowing God to *leadeth*. Upon finding solace in God's plan, she wanted to share this experience with others who have fallen on difficult times and so she made a commitment to help others restore their lives. This agency, Amiracle4sure, Inc. is a primary vehicle for pursuing that commitment. As the name implies, the hand of God is deemed operative in this venture.



There are many levels of benefit by receiving a Governor's Pardon. Obviously, there is a rise in one's esteem to have one's worthiness recognized at such a high level. But, beyond this, there are some very practical and important changes in one's operating range. There are career prohibitions for persons who have been incarcerated. Examples include, working with youth in the public schools, or child protective services. Another is working with incarcerated persons from inside the prison system. There are many more prohibitions of various kinds, but these two are most relevant to the fulfillment of Marsha's life work.







Girls Circle—Ladies First Workshops

Ladies First is an after school program provided by Amiracle4sure to the Harrisburg School District. Prior to the pandemic, It operated Mondays at Camp Curtin Academy and Thursdays at Rowland. Since the pandemic, the program operates at our headquarters, 1735 State St., Harrisburg, PA 17103. "Ladies First" provides education, structured support, and skills training to enrolled (middle school) young ladies who seek to be empowered and supported as they experience the various cultural and maturational changes of becoming a young woman.

The **Girls Circle** model is used for this after school program. It provides a structured support group which integrates relational theory, resiliency practices, and skills training. It is designed to increase positive connection, strengths, and competence in girls. The program is evidence-based for 9-18 year olds. A rigorously designed study demonstrated effectiveness of Girls Circle® in reducing delinquency for girls. The Model is listed on the Office of Justice Programs National Criminal Justice Reference Service, and SAMHSA National Registry of Evidenced-based Programs. Find more research evidence (click) here.

An **Accredited Facilitator**, Phylicia Carter, delivers this service. The One Circle Foundation provides the training and certifies facilitators to deliver safe, structured, and strengths based circles, with fidelity to the designed model.

For more information contact Phylicia Carter @ 717-232-0100 ext. 1004. pcarter@amiracle4sure.com

Case Management



Ladies First Participants receive a Certificate of Achievement upon completing all the workshops



My name is Heidi Love and I am the Franklin County Case Manager. All of my 14 years of employment history has been dedicated to serving others in all aspects across age ranges, and challenges. I enjoy working for Amiracle4sure because my job gives me the opportunity to have a positive impact on peoples' lives and make a difference everyday. I go home each day knowing I made a real difference. I get to witness others who use our supporting services to become the very best versions of themselves. It is so rewarding to know that I had a part in that. Amiracle4sure has and does change peoples lives. I am Amiracle4sure because God has blessed me with this wonderful employment opportunity and has given me a second chance at life.



B.A.R.S. **Building Achievement & Raising Standards**

B.A.R.S is a mentoring prevention program for MEN. It strives to advance individuals by helping them reach their highest potential. We do this through intensive life coaching which focuses on (a) character development, (b) proper goal setting, (c) understanding personal aims, and (d) making realistic, progressive, action steps. Our mission statement is simple: We build upon an individual's achievements, and as partners, we help raise standards to enrich the quality of life for our members. We do not re-invent the wheel, we simply help engage individuals to steer them on the right course. Our life coaching helps overcome the barriers to advancement that has barred many individuals from their highest aptitude. B.A.R.S. is designed to destroy the cycle of generational hopelessness which is otherwise sustained in our disproportionate community.

Standards for Success, a key component within the B.A.R.S Program (Building Achievements & Raising Standards), serves to appropriately dress and groom successful ex offenders. A first impression speaks volumes to potential employers. We strive to create sharply dressed, well groomed men, giving them the resources to represent themselves with confidence and professionalism as they enter the workforce for interviews and or employment. B.A.R.S. Program is now accepting men's business suits and separates. Please contact Timothy White, Program Coordinator, for donation submissions twhite@amiracle4sure.com or call main office.

Principles of Mentoring are essential to working with ex-offenders. For most exoffenders, the presence of a positive role model is completely absent. It is difficult for ex-offenders reentering society to hold down a job, pay bills on time, or resolve family conflicts in a healthy way, when these skills have never been modeled for them. The support of a mentor plays a key role in an ex-offender's successful return to society by providing companionship, advice, and accountability. At Amiracle4sure, Individuals meet one on one with a mentor and also attend weekly 90minute group sessions. In the group setting clients are provided with a mentoring journal that guides them through 16 weeks of selected topics that address reentry challenges for those newly released.

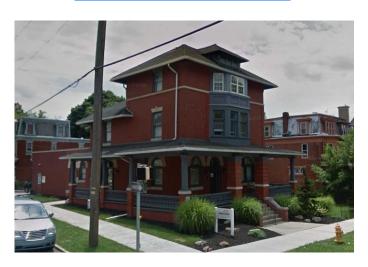


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The Shower Program

Mornings of Monday Wednesday and Friday, Headquarters opens to offer free showers to our clients. In the process, we also launder their clothes and distribute healthy snacks. Most clients have two sets of clothes (we give clothes, too). One set gets dropped off for laundering while the previously cleaned set is returned for wearing after the shower.

About 40 clients are currently using the shower program. On a given day, 10-15 clients show up at a time, so there is a smooth rotation of showing, laundering, and food distribution. Take a Tour of Headquarters (left) to see the program.

October 26th, 2023 marked the 13th anniversary for Amiracle4sure. Help us keep it going with a donation of \$\$\$ or food, clothing, and sundry items for personal care.





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Seeking New Members for Board of Directors

General Statement of Duties

The primary responsibilities of the Amiracle4sure Board of Directors include setting policy; hiring, firing and evaluating the Executive Director; evaluating the program; representing Amiracle4sure in the community; and giving and raising money. The Board works closely with the Executive Director to ensure program effectiveness, quality and integrity.

Hours

Quarterly Meetings are held on Saturday (unless otherwise noted) from (<u>9:00am-11:00am</u>). They are held at Amiracle4sure Office: 1735 State Street, Harrisburg, Pa 17103. Annual Board Retreat is hosted in the Spring.

Qualifications

Our Agency strives to maintain a variety of skills and talents on the Board. Examples of qualifications sought include excellent organizational skills, management background, knowledge of local community and resources, outstanding communication skills, ability to work well with a wide spectrum of people, creative thinker, self-starter, budget/financial/fundraising experience, public relations and human resources background.

If interested, write to:
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Partners









