



## WHAT SETS JFBHS APART?

Founded in 1855 as an orphanage, Jackson-Feild is one of America's oldest, continuously operating residential facilities now providing high-quality psychiatric, residential, educational, and recovery treatment services for children with severe emotional trauma, mental illness, and addiction.

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Because of our roots, we've grown a strong core of beliefs that guides us to not only help children to but nurture them and ensure they feel loved, appreciated, and valued. Our full-time chaplain offers spiritual guidance to children of all faiths, with support from various churches across Virginia. Our rural setting aids the healing process, providing a distraction-free environment. As a non-profit, we attract stakeholders who value mental health services and wish to make a difference in children's lives.

Our licensed, highly trained staff delivers successful and cost-effective programs, adapting to regulatory requirements and adding new treatments to meet children's needs. We offer unique treatments like Neurotherapy, despite Medicaid and insurance companies not covering them, because we believe in their clinical benefits.

Jackson-Feild stands out by fostering a culture of B.I.G. learning – Bold, Invested, and Grateful. We offer innovative programs such as the Fairy Godmother Program, science fairs, talent shows, and other events to engage and inspire youth. These initiatives help children embrace their potential, take risks, cultivate gratitude, and empowers them to discover their strengths and envision a brighter future.

*Hope* 🖐️ *Help* 🖐️ *Heal*

# Empowering Process

## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Dear friends and supporters,  
Reflecting on my 34-year journey at Jackson-Feild, I am struck by the profound impact our organization has had on the lives of the children and families we serve.



When I first joined Jackson-Feild, it was a children's home, yet it has evolved into the comprehensive residential psychiatric treatment program it is today. From the outset, it was evident that we provided a safe, stable, and nurturing environment where children learned essential values and life skills.

During my high school years and uncertain about my career path, I was certain about my desire to make a difference in the lives of children. Joining Jackson-Feild has been a privilege, reaffirming the belief that collective efforts yield transformative results. Together, we have empowered children to rediscover hope, find assistance, and heal from the depths of despair and worthlessness.

I take immense pride in Jackson-Feild Behavioral Health Services and our unwavering commitment to address the mental health needs of children. Working alongside our dedicated staff, supportive board, and generous donors, I have witnessed firsthand the meaningful impact we have made.

I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for your continued support and urge you to stand by our children and Jackson-Feild as we navigate the future together, ensuring a legacy of healing and hope for generations to come.

With sincere appreciation,

*Patricia H. Delane*

### New Board Member

Johnny Jones

Jackson-Feild proudly welcomes John R. Jones, Jr. to its Board of Directors. A lifelong Emporia resident, Mr. Jones brings a wealth of experience from his family's pharmacy background and his own successful career. His dedication to community service, including longstanding support for Jackson-Feild's medical needs and sponsorship of our annual golf tournament through Jones LTC Pharmacy, exemplifies his commitment. We are thrilled to have Mr. Jones join our board and anticipate his invaluable contributions.



# Lucy's Story

*"There's a light at the end of every tunnel. To get there just follow the silver lining"*  
– Anthon St. Maarten

**"JFBHS is the place where I found help and got better. The staff finds ways to make us feel valued and they support us with surprises like welcome gift bags and birthday celebrations."**



Lucy's journey under the care of Jackson-Feild Behavioral Health Services (JFBHS) for eight months marked a profound chapter in her mental health recovery. Within the nurturing environment of the facility, Lucy found solace and support that she needed.

Before JFBHS, Lucy was in and out of four different treatment facilities. She felt that they didn't care about her personally. So when coming to JFBHS she thought the same. She tried to "trick" the staff into thinking she was fine so she can go home, but our staff knew better and it didn't work on them.

Lucy suffered from PTSD, depression disorder, and generalized anxiety disorder for over four years at this point and didn't know how to manage/understand her diagnoses.

Lucy is extremely grateful the staff didn't let her down. The staff motivated her and kept her focused on her treatment goals. Day by day, Lucy's spirit grew brighter as she learned coping mechanisms, gained insight into her struggles, and forged connections with peers. JFBHS provided not just treatment but a sanctuary where Lucy could rebuild her sense of self-worth and resilience.

Family therapy sessions played a pivotal role in Lucy's healing journey as well. Lucy and her family were provided with a safe and structured space to navigate their dynamics and address underlying issues contributing to Lucy's mental health challenges. Under the guidance of Ms. Leimberger, Lucy and her family engaged in open and honest dialogue to explore past traumas, express emotions, and set boundaries. Recognizing how their behaviors and communication patterns impacted one another, Lucy and her family gradually rebuilt and strengthened their bonds.

Every staff member took part on Lucy's journey but a few that she believes did an outstanding job was Ms. Leimberger, her therapist, Ms. Epps, our school's activities coordinator, and Ms. Parson, a residential counselor. Although every staff member was amazing, thoughtful, and understanding. These three ladies stood out and played a huge part in her journey.

As she left the facility, Lucy carried with her not only newfound strength but also a renewed sense of hope for her future. She will graduate from high school in June and will attend college in August. She has already received her EMT certification so she can pursue her dreams of becoming an ER nurse.

Lucy is very proud of herself for achieving milestones she never thought she could.



# What is Happening at JFBHS

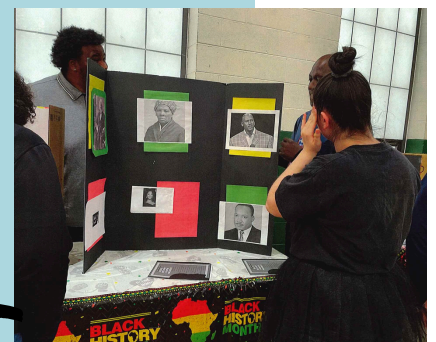


## Fairy Godmother Program

As prom night approached on May 31, hosted at JFBHS, the spirit of compassion and solidarity embodied by Collegiate High School students continued to prove that small acts of kindness can make a big difference.



Thanks to the generous support of the John Randolph Foundation and Kannan Srinivasan, grants have been awarded to address specific needs for our children, ensuring they have the resources necessary for success and leaving a positive impact on JFBHS.



Celebrating Black History Month by reliving heroes, artists, chefs, and more historic figures.



## The Thompson Family: Pillars of Support for JFBHS's Growth

For over three decades, the Thompson Family has been synonymous with steadfast support and service towards Jackson-Feild Behavioral Health Services (JFBHS) and our children. At the center of this commitment stands Eric Thompson, whose profound impact has shaped our history.

Thompson's journey with JFBHS began with a simple yet profound act of kindness. It was in 1984 when he came upon a flyer at St. John Episcopal Church in Chuckatuck, VA highlighting JFBHS's need for a washer and dryer. Without hesitation, Thompson stepped forward to offer his assistance. Little did he know that this seemingly small act would mark the inception of a lifelong dedication to JFBHS.

Thompson witnessed, firsthand, the challenges and triumphs of JFBHS, from our humble beginnings of being an all girl's home to our current residential psychiatric treatment program which is a beacon of hope for countless children struggling with mental health. Through his dedicated efforts, Thompson played a role in shaping our growth and resiliency.

Beyond his individual contributions, Thompson's commitment to JFBHS has extended to his entire family, including his children. Together, they have woven support that has enriched the fabric of the organization's community through volunteering at events, offering financial assistance, or lending a compassionate ear to those in need.



Eric Thompson joined our board in the fall of 1984 and served with distinction for 25 years.

Thompson himself says it best: "These children can't be merely patched up with bandages, expecting everything to magically improve. They require a structured path to heal to equip them for the challenges of the world ahead, especially considering the multitude of trauma they've already endured in their young lives. I feel a profound sense of fulfillment in helping to make a meaningful difference in the life of any child. The true essence of philanthropy lies not in grand gestures, but in the bond of genuine connections developed over the years...and I treasure that."

In essence, the Thompson Family's journey with JFBHS is a journey fueled by compassion, driven by purpose, and bound by a shared commitment to fostering positive changes in young lives. As we highlight this remarkable legacy, we hope that you will realize the powerful impact that ordinary individuals can have when they choose to stand in solidarity with those in need.



# Go Golfing for the Kids

Our 29th annual Go Golfing for the Kids tournament was held on May 6 at Magnolia Green Golf Club in Chesterfield County. This event not only brings together golf enthusiasts for a day of friendly competition but also serves as a significant fundraiser to benefit the children we serve.

Through the generosity of participants, sponsors, and donors, the event raised over \$30,000 to provide essential resources and support services, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive.

Beyond the financial contributions, the tournament also raises awareness about our organization's mission and the needs of our children. By engaging the community in a fun and meaningful event, we foster empathy and support for our cause, inspiring others to join us in making a positive impact on children's lives.



**Committed to accountability and ethical practices,  
Jackson-Feild Behavioral Health Services is accredited and certified by these organizations.**



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