

Youth For Tomorrow

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YFT Receives the Spirit of Virginia Award!

Youth For Tomorrow was honored as the recipient of the *Spirit of Virginia Award* presented by Governor Glenn Youngkin and First Lady, Suzanne S. Youngkin. The award was presented to Coach Gibbs and Dr. Jones by the Governor and First Lady on May 16th during the 35th Annual Burgundy and Gold Banquet in Tysons.

The Spirit of Virginia Award recognizes the distinct achievements and contributions of individuals and

organizations who are “Strengthening the Spirit of Virginia” through their service, pioneering efforts, innovation and imagination. The Award salutes contributions made in social services, education, private industries, culture and the arts and in philanthropy.

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Governor Glenn Youngkin and First Lady Suzanne Youngkin presenting the Spirit of Virginia Award to Coach Gibbs and Dr. Jones.

A Message from the CEO

Dr. Gary L. Jones



Scripture tells us that a person's greatest reward does not come from personal accomplishments and achievements, but by service done in the name of the Lord.

Everyone who receives our Quarterly Newsletter – donors, Board members, staff, former

residents, community members – is indelibly embedded in providing or receiving the services provided by Youth For Tomorrow.

We join the Lord in giving our thanks to you – each of you!

Think of the thousands of lives YFT's services have touched – have transformed – have brought to know the Lord's Word which are nestled in their souls – for a lifetime.

- **Residential Services:** Since our celebrated beginning in 1986 with just 1 home, YFT now serves boys and girls in 13 homes, children who are brought to us from throughout Virginia, the Nation and even from around the world: All requiring clinical therapy and case management; YFT has now served 8,377 in residential programs for boys and girls -- including over 230 babies in the arms or the wombs of our teenage girls;
- **Behavioral Health Services:** From its humble beginnings with 1 office in Woodbridge in 2012, we've expanded to 7 regional offices across four Northern Virginia counties. We've conducted approximately 243,765 counseling sessions since we launched this program and have served 37,909 individuals.
 - o In just the past 12 months, we have provided clinical services to **6,608** children, adolescents and families and conducted **36,880** counseling

sessions, marking a significant increase of over 30% from the previous year.

- **Education Services:** All our children on campus attend the Joe Gibbs Secondary School. Most come to YFT between 1 to 5 years behind in their age-range grade placements. All of our teachers meet State certification standards. We are a State certified "special education" secondary school as determined by the Virginia Department of Education.
- **All of our children and families come to YFT requiring therapeutic services to transform their lives** – to save their lives from the ravages of emotional and psychological trauma and unspeakable abuses.
- **Each month there are boys and girls who "graduate" from our "program" of services to begin their lives anew;**

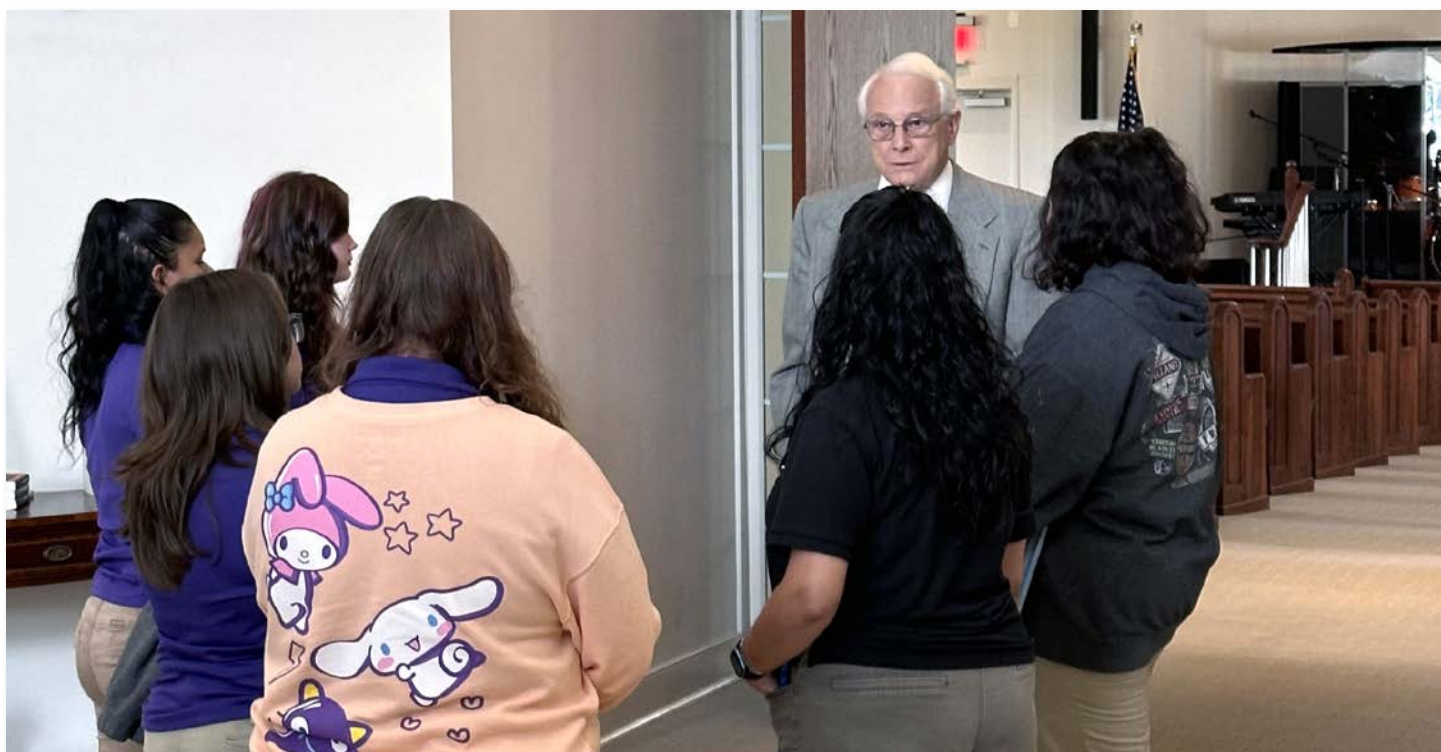
A bit of amplification on our Behavioral Health Services:

Currently, with 49 therapists on staff, we are approaching 1,000 weekly scheduled appointments ensuring our services are readily accessible. Over 25% of our therapists are bilingual and we have five therapists who can provide substance abuse treatment services for adolescents and adults.

YFT-BHS services meet an urgent need in the community, to prevent hospitalization, reduce suicides and addiction, and improve overall mental health for children and adults while providing a safe place for hope and healing.

Within our 7 Outpatient Behavioral Health Regional Offices, we are currently operating at 96% sustained capacity. We have evolved into being one of the premier providers in Northern Virginia, specifically known for serving children, adolescents and families. Statistically, 62% of our BHS patients are under the age of 18, and 17% of that number are under the age of 10.

- In Prince William County, 51% of our patients are served under Medicaid;



- In the past year we have treated 223 individuals who needed to be placed on safety plans due to suicidal ideation, suicide attempt, non-suicidal self-injury such as cutting. (80% of these individuals are adolescents).
- We have seen an increase in suicidal ideation across the board, and for the first time we are seeing an increase in attempts among teenage girls.
- We also have seen an increase in bullying, eating disorders and substance use with our teenagers. We have also seen an increase in domestic violence referrals and foster care referrals.
- We cannot hire and train staff fast enough.

We remind ourselves every day, that what Youth For Tomorrow has become is God's Will, and has happened only by His Grace. We are working in God's Vineyard where we see and experience His blessings every day. We seek His presence everywhere – in classes, therapy sessions, after school activities, Board meetings and invite Him through prayer before meetings of staff and with our

residents before meals, before they leave for school and before their bedtime.

Thank you for being a part of our array of Godly-principled services. For all of your professional achievements in your careers -- know that your greatest achievement in our eyes on campus is your faithful commitment and participation in our Godly mission and for the children the Lord directs to our doorsteps.

Gratefully,

Dr. Gary L. Jones
CEO

Whatever you do for the least of Mine, you do for Me. –Matthew 25:40



WE'RE HIRING! JOIN OUR TEAM!

**Residential Counselors • House Coordinators • Intensive In Home Specialists
Therapeutic Day Treatment Specialist • Case Managers & Case Aides
Therapists • Group Therapist • Teachers • Mental Health Counselors**
Bilingual applicants are encouraged to apply.

As we are continually expanding our programs and encourage staff development, we are in need of dedicated individuals to work in our residential, educational and counseling components. Youth For Tomorrow is a 24/7 faith-based residential facility for at-risk boys and girls. We are located near Manassas VA in Prince William County. We have a 200 acre campus which includes 13 residential homes for teens, who attend our on-site school year round.



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As a foster parent, YOU:

- have the ability to change the trajectory of a child's life
- are able to give preference of age, gender, and behavioral occurrences
- receive a monthly stipend
- will receive training and support from Youth For Tomorrow 24/7

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Foster Care Services

Dedication of the J.D. and Coy Gibbs Homes for Boys



It was a “picture-perfect” afternoon on May 16th for the dedication ceremony for the J. D. and Coy Gibbs Homes for Boys. These two new homes are in memory of the beloved late sons of Coach Gibbs and his wife. It was a particularly special atmosphere having the Gibbs family, donors, board members, staff, and residents all in attendance!

“I know that J.D. and Coy would be honored to have their names forever tied to this Campus. To all who contributed, to Ed (Laukes) and Bob (Carter) who corralled the effort -- thank you for giving J.D. and Coy the opportunity to make such lasting impacts here.”

- Melissa Gibbs, widow of the late J.D. Gibbs with their four sons, Jackson, Miller, Jason and Taylor were in attendance. Melissa spoke on behalf of the family.

“It is an example of what God can do when you think about it, these two boys, they were the thrill of our life. We miss them so much. I just appreciate everybody who’s been part of this community, building this campus, and in particular, all of you who helped build these two homes, thank you all so much.”

- Coach Joe Gibbs, YFT Founder and Chairman

With the completion of these two homes, YFT now has 13 homes on its campus!



Rescue of a Young Girl's Kidnapper



Two of our Case Managers, Katerina Verme and Karla Chileno demonstrated exceptional dedication and proactive intervention in a critical case involving the abduction of a minor girl.

They swiftly responded to the family's distress call, initiating their prompt actions which were deemed instrumental in ensuring the offender was apprehended and brought to justice. Their efforts culminated in a successful outcome, with the offender pleading guilty to charges of kidnapping and illegal transportation of a child after a thorough trial in federal court.



Their commitment, professionalism, and quick action under pressure reflect their exemplary service and dedication to protecting vulnerable children. Their testimony in court not only underscored their expertise but also reinforced their unwavering support for justice and safety.

Case Managers Katerina Verme and Karla Chileno are commended for their invaluable contribution to achieving justice and ensuring the well-being of the young victim and her family.

“Every child deserves to be cared for in a safe environment, free from threats of harm”

An Eagle Scout Chooses YFT for his Service Project

After many years serving as a Boy Scout, Isiah Billman was ready to master the pinnacle of achievement, earning his Eagle Scout Rank. Isiah chose YFT for his Eagle Service Project, which was the beautification of the pond on the YFT campus and create a park-like setting. Isiah displayed his leadership skills as he planned his project and assembled a team to help carry out the project. Isiah also installed two park benches for our kids and staff to enjoy.

Service to others is what Scouting is all about. The Eagle Scout Award is the highest award and the rank that every Scout works toward through advancement in Boy Scouts.

Isiah Billman, Member of the Trail Life USA, Troop 2318



Moving into the J.D. Gibbs Home



“It’s been amazing, our House Coordinator has made it feel like a family home. Mentally it has been tough because of my struggles before coming here, but being here at YFT helps me a lot and it is helping me get through it.”

–Resident CG

“It’s good because I have never been in a program like this. Coming to a brand-new house makes me feel special to be the first to live in this home. I feel like I’m at home.”

–Resident ECL



“I feel like we have been entrusted to take care of this home, dedicated to Coach Gibbs son, J.D. Gibbs, even though we had never met him.”

–Resident AB

A Heart of a Servant

A servant’s heart is not motivated by personal gain or recognition, but by a genuine desire to make a positive impact in the lives of others.

“My name is Ashley Vallone and I am the Founder for “Caring to Crown Confidence,” which is dedicated to helping young girls feel empowered and to feel more confident. My interest is to help girls at Youth For Tomorrow by donating little bags filled with some of the YFT Wish List items for girls on your website. I would raise money through my family and friends to create the bags. I was just reaching out to make sure it would be allowed for me to do so. I live close by Youth for Tomorrow and just thought this was a great opportunity to help support young girls like myself. My goal would be by the end of July to donate 20 bags.”

Check out Ashley’s Instagram account [@caring.to.crown](https://www.instagram.com/caring.to.crown). confidence to see how she’s impacting the community!”



Ashley Vallone (right) delivers gift bags filled with cosmetic and toiletry items for our girls. Pictured too is Emily Corder from our Development Office.

35th Annual Burgundy & Gold Banquet



This year the 35th Annual Burgundy & Gold event had all of the elements for an amazing and memorable evening!!

To “kick-off” the Burgundy & Gold was the amazing Washington Tattoo Drum and Fife Band who led our lingering guests in the lobby into the ballroom! What an amazing performance by Mark Reilly and his ensemble.



Washington Commanders Wide Receiver, Terry McLaurin was presented with the Player of the Year Award by Redskins legend, Mark Moseley and Dominion Energy Senior Policy Director, Tonya Byrd.

The annual Quarterback Club of Washington Player of the Year Award was presented by Washington Redskins legend, Mark Moseley. The award was presented to Commanders Wide Receiver, Terry McLaurin who had a stellar year on the field. Not only is McLaurin a star receiver, he has established the Terry McLaurin Foundation, which aims to help underserved children.

Another highlight of the evening was the special presentation by Coach Gibbs inducting Bill Hazel, Sr., Bob Wisner, and Cecil Pruitt into the YFT Hall of Fame. “We owe much of the success and growth of YFT to

the Lord’s faithfulness and provision, but also to my friends, Bill Hazel, Sr., Bob Wisner, and Cecil Pruitt, Jr. I wholeheartedly believe the Lord purposefully and thoughtfully brought these men to this organization to ensure that it would thrive for years and years to come, and ultimately impact the lives of countless children and adults,” Coach Gibbs remarked.



The Wm. A Hazel Family received replicas of the YFT Hall of Fame plaque in honor of their Dad, Bill Hazel, Sr.



Russell Wisner and Tammy Suter, the son and daughter of Mr. Bob Wisner, proudly accepted the YFT Hall of Fame plaque in honor of their late father, Bob Wisner.



Cecil Pruitt and his family are beaming with pride as he was inducted into the YFT Hall of Fame.

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We were honored to have Governor Glenn Youngkin and First Lady Suzanne Youngkin in attendance, and for YFT to be presented The Spirit of Virginia Award. Governor Youngkin remarked on YFT's legacy, "Youth For Tomorrow is a God-inspired organization that has truly impacted thousands of kids throughout our Commonwealth." "Youth For Tomorrow provides every young person who feels lost and without hope a safe place to feel loved and supported."

And of course, topping off the evening was two-time Super Bowl winning quarterback, five-time NFL MVP and NFL Hall of Famer, the legendary Peyton Manning! Peyton participated in an entertaining Q&A session with Washington Redskins legend, Brian Mitchell as moderator. Peyton shared football stories and personal highlights of his career and family.



NFL Hall of Famer, Peyton Manning and Redskins legend, Brian Mitchell could not have been more entertaining as they talked football, leadership, and family life! They had Coach Gibbs laughing and smiling from ear to ear!



Advisory Board Member, John Nicholls, did what he does best and helped raise money during the Live Auction with his Hall of Fame auctioneering skills!



The Gibbs Family enjoyed their time with Peyton Manning in the Hall of Fame Reception! Peyton played along with Coach's grandsons as they lined up for a play call by the Super Bowl Winning Quarterback.



We can't thank Event Chairman, Adam Volanth and the evening's Emcee, Larry Rosenthal enough for all they did to contribute to the event's success!

YFT Board of Trustees President, Deborah Johnson spoke eloquently as she provided her welcoming remarks.



The ceremonial opening performance by The Washington Tattoo Drum and Fife Band led by Mark Reilly.

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Nominees are selected by the Governor's Cabinet Secretaries and then the nominees are presented to the First Lady. The First Lady in partnership with the Governor consider the candidates and select the recipient. A total of six recipients are chosen over the course of each year.

In presenting the award, the First Lady remarked, "Ensuring all men, women and especially children feel supported and get the help they need, when they need it, is critically important. Youth For Tomorrow does just that, sowing the seeds for a more prosperous and positive Virginia."

YFT Founder, Coach Joe Gibbs and Dr. Gary Jones, CEO joined the Youngkins on stage to accept the Award.

"Youth For Tomorrow was a dream, a calling the Lord had placed on my heart. My vision was to establish a Christian home for troubled teenage boys. Now almost 40 years later, that dream is more than I could have ever imagined. On behalf of the Board of Trustees



and Gary Jones, I am deeply honored to accept this distinguished award, the Spirit of Virginia by the First Lady and the Governor.

"It is a distinct honor for YFT to be chosen as the recipient of the Spirit of Virginia award by the First Lady and the Governor. It is with our sincerest gratitude in accepting this award, which recognizes the countless lives we have impacted over our 38-year history." Dr. Jones added, "It is with God's grace that YFT has touched the lives of almost 40,000 children and adults whose lives were in despair when they arrived on the doorsteps to our homes on campus or in one of our seven behavioral health regional offices."

35th Annual Burgundy & Gold Banquet



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The 28th Annual YFT Golf Classic

June 11th was a picture-perfect day to “hit the links” as we held the 28th Annual YFT Golf Classic at Westfields Golf Club in Clifton! We can’t thank Trustee Jon Peterson enough for serving as the tournament Chairman for over 20 years! With his steadfast leadership and dedication, this popular event continues to be sold out with our faithful and generous sponsors returning year after year!



Special thanks to Chairman Jon Peterson and Westfields Golf Club General Manager Jason Paul for putting on another fantastic tournament!

The day had all the elements of a fun and exciting tournament – nothing but blue skies and sunshine, door prizes, Mega Putt contest, great food offered throughout the course - Ford’s Fish Shack with BBQ at the turn and Chuy’s famous nacho bar on hole #3, and of course, a competitive round of golf! Chuy’s Tex-Mex then served dinner of sizzling fajitas for the awards dinner!!

Our heartfelt appreciation to Chairman Jon Peterson and his Executive Assistant, Karen Dennison, Golf Pro Jason Paul and Westfields Golf Club, and each of the sponsors and volunteers who continue to support this tournament!



Congratulations to the E.E. Reed Construction foursome for winning the tournament!! L-R: Ryan Lavin, Bobby Cady, Andrew Green, Darren Shaw



The 2nd place foursome, Crescent Cities Charities team! L-R: Steve Novak, Jr., Whitney Wright, Bob Poe, Steve Novak, Sr.



The 3rd place winners, HGA Architects and Engineers team! L-R: Tom Pignatelli, PJ Bautista, Steve Colangelo, Ben Webne



The 4th place team members! L-R: Rich Cantarella, Mike Cole, Austin Cole, Kyle Suter



The players and volunteers indulged in delicious food provided by our Friends at Chuy’s Tex-Mx and Ford’s Fish Shack





28TH ANNUAL YFT Golf Classic

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*Event Co-Chairs and YFT Trustees,
Tom Shumaker, EVP, Holder Construction (Retired)
Ken Shepherd, Managing Partner, Miller Toyota*


There is nothing as All-American as a Country Fair—a celebration of community, family, friendships and lots of fun for everyone of all ages!
This year will be our **39th Annual Country Fair & Auctions** which will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024 on the YFT Campus.

Please consider how you would like to be involved and contact Love Jones, Sr. Vice President for Development and Public Relations, at LJones@yftva.com or (703) 396-8415 to support YFT as a sponsor or to donate an auction item.

I want to contribute to the success of YFT’s Country Fair!

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Youth For Tomorrow was founded in 1986 by Joe Gibbs and other community leaders.

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Upcoming Events

October 5, 2024

The 39th Annual Country Fair & Auction

*Co-Chairs, Ken Shepherd, Miller Toyota
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February 8, 2025

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