

# WHAT IS A HOST HOME?

A host home is an adult or adults that voluntarily shelters a Compass North youth that is in the Independent Living Program. All youth are between 16 to 24 and voluntarily elects to be in a host home arrangement. All adults are screened by methods of interview, home inspection, and background checks.

## WHY ARE HOST HOMES NEEDED?

According to the MSHDA "Ending Homelessness in Michigan" 2021 Annual Report:

In 2021,  
**3,088 unaccompanied homeless youth** under the age of 25 sought homeless services.



Primary Reasons for homelessness:

- family dysfunction
- substance use
- abuse/neglect
- rejection & conflict
- economic hardship
- domestic violence



The pandemic continues to negatively impact our communities. Our region experienced a 35% increase in the number of people experiencing homelessness.

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If you would like to know how you can help outside of providing shelter or referring youth please visit our website or facebook. We are always taking donations for gas cards, grocery gift cards, and items for our survival kits.



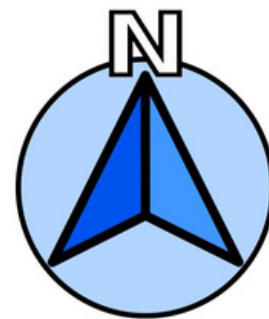
## Survival Kit Items

Shampoo a Conditioner  
Body Wash/Bar soap  
Deodorant  
Toothbrush  
Toothpaste  
Floss  
Hair Brush/comb  
Razors  
Socks (black)  
Gloves

Winter Hat  
Blanket  
Body Lotion  
Hand sanitiz.er  
First Aid items  
Lip balm  
Washcloth  
Bath towel  
Flashlight

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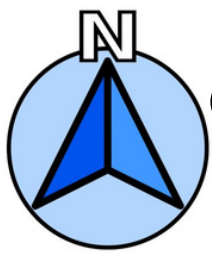
## **HOST HOMES**

**for Transitional Living Project**

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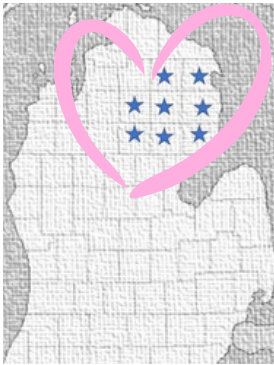
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### WHOM WE SERVE:

Homeless and runaway youth or those that are at risk of becoming homeless or runaways.

### COUNTIES SERVED:

Alcona  
Alpena  
Crawford  
Iosco  
Montmorency  
Ogemaw  
Oscoda  
Roscommon



*Referrals forms can be made by anyone and can be found on our website*

### AGES SERVED:

Host Homes are available to youth in the Transitional Living Program (TLP):

- Youth age 16 through 24



**All Services are completely voluntary, FREE, and confidential.**

### TYPES OF HOMES APPROVED

Approval of host homes is completed by the Compass North case manager and Compass North supervisor. An interview and home visit with the household must be completed and a home visit to ensure the house is safe. Any individual living in the house that is over the age of 18 must pass criminal background checks and central registry checks.

- Any youth 16 & 17 years of age will need parental or guardian consent to be eligible for host home placement.



### SERVICES PROVIDED

All youth placed in the home under a host home contract will have regular contact with a case manager and at least one monthly visit in the host home.

- Case manager will support youth in achieving success with education, employment, housing, and independent living skills.

### STIPEND

A \$20 a day stipend is offered to the host home to pay for the youth's basic needs including room and board and food. \$50 from the monthly stipend is given to the youth by the host home.

### TRAINING

Training will be provided to the host home prior to youth placement. A written contract will be established to ensure expectations of all parties are met.



If you are interested in becoming a host home or learning more about the program please contact Compass North at (989)464-0992

*If you or someone you know has concern of a youth who may be in need of services and support, please contact Child and Family Services of Northeast MI, Inc.*