

Former Crosswinds Clients are  
Thankful for the Experience

"My experience at Crosswinds was unforgettable. I went to Crosswinds about five years ago because I was molested by my mother's boyfriend for most of my life. My school counselor sent me to the police who sent me to Crosswinds because I had nowhere else to go. My nine day stay at Crosswinds was short, but so much happened while I was there. I was such a wreck being away from my family that I cried constantly. But it was just so nice that we had one on one counseling to work through things. There are just so many awesome things about Crosswinds...

Currently, I am a sophomore at college. So much good has come out of the bad in my life. I thank everyone at Crosswinds who helped me so much throughout my difficult circumstances.

~Former Shelter Resident



For general information about Crosswinds services, to volunteer, or to make a donation, call 452-0800, or visit the web site: [www.crosswindseyouthservices.org](http://www.crosswindseyouthservices.org). Your donations to Crosswinds, a 501(c)(3) charity, are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

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## PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Robert E. Lehton Children's Shelter**, a 24-Hour Emergency Shelter for young people in crisis ages 10 to 17
- **Transitional Living Program** provides housing, support, and skill development for young adults ages 16-21 to prepare for successful adulthood
- **Rainwater Center**, a day treatment program for girls in the juvenile justice system
- **Intensive Delinquency Diversion Services**, a comprehensive program for first-time juvenile offenders and their families
- Assessment and referrals at the **Brevard Juvenile Assessment Center**
- **Community Counseling/Case Management** for at risk youth and their families
- **Family Therapy** program for youth on probation
- **Project Safe Place** where children access help through businesses and public buildings
- **PAWS Therapy Dog Program**, reading enhancement through the use and interaction of therapy dogs
- **Independent Living Services** for youth transitioning from foster care to adulthood
- **Street Outreach** to runaway, homeless and at-risk youth

## CROSSWINDS YOUTH SERVICES

### Robert E. Lehton Children's Shelter



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**Crosswinds** was founded in 1974 to provide support to youth in crisis and has been providing services to youth and families in Brevard County for over thirty years.

**Crosswinds** provides services to thousands of young people and families each year, through programs designed to strengthen families and offer young people the support, skills and opportunities they need to succeed.

### Crosswinds Youth Services

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## Robert E. Lehton Children's Shelter

### Eligibility Criteria

Youth ages 10-17 who have run away or are homeless; have been abandoned, abused, or neglected; are determined by the court to be ungovernable; and youth who are in the midst of family conflict which could result in a dangerous situation such as running away or domestic violence.

### Services Available

- 24 hours per day, 7 days per week emergency shelter services
- Comprehensive assessments for youth and families
- Individual, group, and family counseling services
- Case Management Services
- Educational and recreational services
- PAWS Therapy Dog Program
- Enrollment in public school or Crosswinds' Shelter school
- Emergency medical and dental care

Crosswinds Youth Services, Inc. is licensed by the State of Florida Department of Children and Families as a Child Caring Agency.

### Referral Process

Referrals are made to the Robert E. Lehton Children's Shelter directly from runaway youth, families, law enforcement, school officials, Safe Place, and public and private entities.

.For additional information on the Robert E. Lehton Children's Shelter, contact Karen Locke, Chief Operating Officer, at 321-452-0800, ext. 130.

If you are a youth, parent  
or friend seeking services

PLEASE CALL OUR

24 Hour Crisis

Information and Referral Line

**321.452.0800**



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