

Rights of Passage: Transitional Housing

The Rights of Passage Program (ROP) is a Transitional Housing program for youth 18 through 21. This program can be 18 months in length. All ROP youth are first residents of our Crisis Center and maintain or find employment while there. After an application process, these youth selected from our Crisis Center graduate to the ROP program. It is a structured program in which youth begin to develop the skills which will truly help them become, and remain, self-sufficient. Youth obtain life skills (money management, food preparation and storage, job vs. career, rent vs. mortgage, cleaning responsibilities, etc.) and other skills which promote independence. This is a program which emphasizes the importance of responsibility, giving back to the community, self awareness and personal growth.

Mission Statement:

We who recognize God's providence and fidelity to His people are dedicated to living out His covenant among ourselves and those children we serve, with absolute respect and unconditional love. That commitment calls us to serve suffering children of the street, and to protect and safeguard all children. Just as Christ in His humanity is the visible sign of God's presence among His people, so our efforts together in the covenant community are a visible sign that effects the presence of God, working through the Holy Spirit among ourselves and our kids.



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Covenant House Pennsylvania Rights of Passage Matching Gift Program

Celebrating and Honoring
Joseph C. Swift and Leo Carlin



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Covenant House Pennsylvania has received a matching gift pledge in the amount of \$100,000 from our parent organization, Covenant House International, towards the Rights of Passage Program. This major matching gift program is in honor of the incredible service and dedication of **Joseph C. Swift** and **Leo Carlin**, the long-time Chair and Vice-Chair of Covenant House Pennsylvania's Board of Directors. To access this generous pledge, we must raise \$50,000 in support of the ROP Program that helps young people successfully transition out of homelessness. For every dollar raised towards this expansion of our *Rights of Passage*, Covenant House International will match it **2:1**, up to \$100,000!

For the last five years, Joseph C. Swift and Leo Carlin have led the Board of Directors of Covenant House Pennsylvania through some of the most difficult economic years in our history, through our agency's first change in Executive Director, and through the development and construction of our brand new 20-bed *Rights of Passage* Facility located in Kensington. Their undying energy for our kids, and their generous financial leadership, has taken our Board, and our agency, to new heights. We quite simply would not be where we are today without their incredible support and passion.

Please join Covenant House International in celebrating and honoring the commitment and service of Joseph C. Swift and Leo Carlin by making a contribution to this Matching Gift Program in support of *Rights of Passage*.

Donation Levels Your Gift Gets Matched 2:1!

\$10,000 (becomes \$30,000!)—Housing and support services for 3 youth for 1 year.

\$5,000 (becomes \$15,000!)—Utility expenses for 3 months.

\$2,500 (becomes \$7,500!)—6 months of comprehensive medical care for all 20 ROP youth.

\$1,000 (becomes \$3,000!)—"Safety Net" expenses for food, clothing and transportation as youth adjust to independent living.

\$500 (becomes \$1,500!)—Special programming and activities for 1 year.

\$100 (becomes \$300!)—1 month of life skills classes for 5 youth.

Application Instructions

Participation is Simple! You can submit a donation through the mail, or over the phone.

To mail your donation, simply fill out the attached donation form and mail to:
Covenant House Pennsylvania
31 East Armat St. Philadelphia, PA 19144.

To donate by phone, please contact Development at 215-951-5411 and reference the Rights of Passage Matching Gifts Program.

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Suggested Donation Amounts:

- \$10,000
 \$5,000
 \$2,500
 \$1,000
 \$500
 \$100
 Other: _____

Date: _____
 I enclose my personal gift of \$ _____ to the Rights of Passage Program at
 Covenant House Pennsylvania by personal check, credit card, or money order.

Donor Name(s): _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Billing Address: _____ Email: _____

Phone Number: _____
 Check/Money Order Credit Card

Credit Card Type: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp: _____ Sec. Code: _____

