



Individual Therapy

Working Together will have trauma informed licensed therapists providing weekly sessions of both individual and group therapy for all residents (that Working Together identifies as students). The students will have the opportunity to journey with others that are on similar pathways where they learn to share their burdens with others. In the group therapy context, the students can learn from what others have experienced to develop positive strategies for dealing with past traumatic events. They will also learn how to better cope with troublesome memories.



Psychoeducational Group Therapy

There will be Psychoeducational Groups focusing on anxiety, depression, physical abuse, sexual abuse, gender identity, and process addictions like gambling, shopping, overeating, and sex. There will be a particular focus on trauma survivors who struggle with PTSD. During the time a student is in residence they may participate in several psychological groups based on the strategy developed with their therapist.



Working Together

OFFERING A SECOND CHANCE TO A TROUBLED POPULATION

— OPENS IN SEPTEMBER

Working Together is a nonprofit organization that was formed to provide a self-help community for adult individuals who have hit bottom and desire to turn their lives around. They are in the *Second Chance Business*. The philosophical underpinnings of the organization embody the concept of offering a **“hand up, not a hand out.”** An overwhelming majority of individuals will have experienced trauma from physical and/or sexual abuse as children. They will also be in recovery from drug and alcohol abuse. Many will have lived lives of generational poverty, and some will have experienced the vicious cycle of incarceration and homelessness. Once accepted to the program, there will be no cost to the student or their family. All of the costs of food, clothing, housing, psychotherapy, and medical & dental care are paid for by Working Together.



Therapeutic Community Model

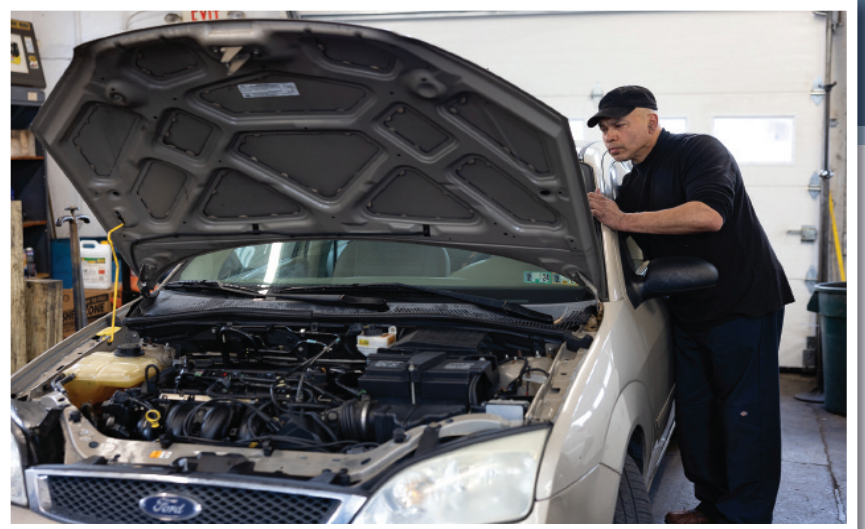
They are modeling their program after three successful therapeutic communities that have close to a combined 100 years of being in operation. All students will work full-time in one of their businesses that they identify as social enterprises where they learn life skills and job skills while on the job. The residents learn to observe and correct destructive patterns, to live in the community, and contribute to society at large. They live and work in the community for two full years and graduate with a full-time job and a place to live.

Social Enterprises Fund the Operational Expenses

How can a nonprofit be self-sustainable without outside gifts or government funding? How is that even possible? All of the residents of the program (they call them students) work in one their four businesses they identify as social enterprises. The students are not being paid. It is their work that funds the operations of the nonprofit. They have dignity for they are funding their own recovery. They receive food, clothing, housing, health & dental care, and psychotherapy all at no cost to the student or their family.



In 2023, Working Together acquired Ellis Automotive at 601 Farmington Ave in Pottstown.



Pottstown Automotive General Manager, Chu Rivera, worked for Ellis Automotive for 15 years.

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Pottstown Automotive Repair

In 2023, Working Together acquired Ellis Automotive, a full-service automotive repair shop that has been operating in Pottstown for over 20 years. Chu Rivera, who was the lead mechanic of Ellis, is now the general manager of Pottstown Automotive Repair. The shop is staffed by experienced and professional auto mechanics. While working on cars to be fixed, the mechanics are also teaching the students of Working Together.

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