



Helping kids find hope and healing

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CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER COMPLETES FIRST FLOOR RENOVATIONS

April 27, 2009 (Lincoln, NEB)— With the help of four local grants, Child Guidance Center has completed first floor renovations at their building located at 25th and 'O' Streets in Lincoln.

In May of 2008 Child Guidance Center received the first of four grants that enabled the agency to complete first floor renovations on their building, purchased in 2004. The first grant, received from the Community Health Endowment, totaled over \$43,000. In December of 2008 Child Guidance Center was the recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the Abel Foundation, a \$20,000 grant from the Dillon Foundation, and a \$15,000 grant from the Lincoln Community Foundation.

Over the span of 5 months Child Guidance Center was able to renovate over 3,000 square feet of empty space into workable, usable agency space. The newly renovated space now has an expanded training/conference room which will better facilitate in-house trainings and meetings, a new state of the art audio visual system, new office space for six school therapists, room to expand the Extended Day Program, and room to grow new programs. The new office space for the school therapists opens up multiple offices on the second floor of the building, allowing for additional outpatient therapists to be hired.

The addition of both usable space and more employees will allow Child Guidance Center to not only better serve the Lincoln community, but also to serve more of it. We look forward to using this newly finished space to grow our existing programs and to have the freedom and flexibility to build new programs to better serve our clients.

The Community Health Endowment, Abel Foundation, Dillon Foundation, and Lincoln Community Foundation have enabled Child Guidance Center to not only renovate space, but also to better serve the community.

Child Guidance Center was established in 1949 by the Junior League and is a professionally staffed, private, nonprofit agency dedicated to providing child-centered, family-focused mental health services to all youth in Lincoln. Annually, Child Guidance Center serves over 2,000 children and adolescents along with their families, utilizing a combination of specialized programs and proven strategies to meet every individual's needs. Child Guidance Center's committed staff helps kids find hope and healing by treating the underlying trauma— not just the symptoms. This empowers them to move forward and lead happy, healthy lives.

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