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A NEW ADDITION TO OUR TEAM

We are pleased to announce that the YES Home will be getting our very own therapist that will have an office in our building to meet the therapeutic needs of our youth. Mellindy Gregory, MSW, CSW is from Greenville, KY.



She is a licensed social worker that has resided in Indiana for the last five years. She has served in the field of social work

for twelve years across various settings and populations, and has her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Social Work from Western Kentucky University. Mellindy has taught as an adjunct instructor for the past four years with Ivy Tech Community and Technical College. Currently, she is pursuing her Doctorate degree in Social Work at the University of Kentucky.

Mellindy has a special interest in providing trauma-informed care and a passion for assisting individuals to thrive to their greatest potential through grace, compassion, and mindfulness interactions. Being a part of individuals' lives as they rise above



adversities is a great reward in the field to her. Some fun facts about Mellindy are that she loves sports and enjoys the moments of watching her own two children play basketball, baseball, and football. She has served in a research project in West Africa and has even been skydiving! Her favorite color is purple and loves sweets as well as enjoys trying new foods. We are pleased to welcome Mellindy to our team and are excited to see the positive effects this new opportunity will have on our youth!

2021 SUMMER GOLF OUTING

The YES Home is very excited to announce that we will be continuing our annual golf outing for the 2021 year! Our goal this year is to renovate our building to provide onsite counseling services for our youth. Phase 1 of the renovation includes creating counseling and conference space on the first floor of our building. This space is desperately needed as we and our partners work with families and youth who need additional support. As you know, COVID has changed the way we operate and we will take all precautions necessary to keep everyone safe during this time. We greatly appreciate your support each year. With that being said, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR for JUNE 7, 2021! The golf outing will return to Sugar Ridge Golf Club and hopefully it will be bigger and better! We are now accepting registrations for teams, which can be completed by visiting the YES Home's website and by clicking on the 'Golf Outing 2021' tab.



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Our staff spotlight for this issue is about one of our part-time resident technicians, Kelly Bates who has been with the YES Home for about 3 years now. Kelly felt like God was calling him to work with kids. His wife was working at a daycare, taking care of babies and little kids up to 10 years old but Kelly didn't want to work with children that young. A close friend of his who introduced him to church had given him an article from the Beacon newspaper about Amy Phillips and the YES Home. The article sat on his table for about 6 months before he looked at and read it. He knew that this was a sign from God because it was given to him by his friend that introduced him to church and Amy was actually going to his church. The next Sunday after he read the article, he asked Amy if she was looking for any part-time help and as he says, "the rest is history". Kelly truly benefits our team and the YES Home; he is fearless, selfless, and is always willing to help others no matter the situation. From vehicle maintenance and assistance to handy-man jobs, from taking our youth to church to playing basketball with our youth, Kelly does so much and is an inspiration to us all. Thank you for



everything you do for our team, the YES Home, and our community Kelly!



YES HOME FUN FACTS

Did you know that...

- ★ The YES Home serves 5 counties including Dearborn, Ohio,
 Switzerland, Ripley and Franklin, and provides family home-type settings for teenagers as an alternative to institutionalization.
- ★ The plans for the YES Home began its program with one home, serving ten children, with a professionally trained couple as house parents.
- ★ The YES Home was incorporated in 1978 after two other agencies which had set out to aid juvenile status offenders had failed. and youth began living at the YES Home in 1981.

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