



**RJS FOUNDATION INC**  
**TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM AT BUTTERFLY HOUSE**  
**CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION**

The Transitional Living Program at Butterfly House is a safe place for women and children who have struggled with insecure housing, homelessness and/or domestic violence. The TLP/BH provides a home for Mothers and children to heal, set life goals, establish financial security, resolve challenges, and eventually be able to achieve Independence and self sufficiency.

The ideal participant is a high functioning woman, able to manage all aspects of her life responsibly and independently. Residents live at the Butterfly House without supervision. Program staff do not reside at Butterfly House. A participant will be selected by the Executive Staff in its sole discretion, based on the applicant's substantiated need. The applicant will be evaluated based upon her formal application; personal written biography, and her rationale for seeking acceptance in the Transitional Living Program at Butterfly House. We also rely on information from the referring professional, and a face-to-face interview with Executive Staff.

The following criteria must be met:

1. Willingness and ability to fully and meaningfully participate in the structured Transitional Living Program. (TLP)
2. Willingness to participate in the Grace Care Center Mentoring Program.
3. Applicant must be a US Citizen or legal resident.
4. Applicant must be categorized as low income or at poverty level in accordance with US Federal Guidelines.
5. Applicant must pass a criminal background check.
6. Applicant will be able to provide proof of secure employment and/or be enrolled in school.
7. Applicant is required to maintain a checking and/or savings account in good standing and provide 2 months of official bank statements.
8. Applicant is required to disclose all financial and personal information, employment verification, Federal and state income tax returns, W-2 statements and proof of employment and other income (Social Security, disability benefits, child support, school loans, scholarships and grants, etc.)
9. Applicant is required to disclose monthly household and family expenses, and work with the Program Director to complete a monthly budget worksheet.
10. Applicant is expected to pay rent and make savings account deposits weekly by Friday at 5 pm.
11. Applicant will identify meaningful goals toward self sufficiency and commit to achieving those goals through participation in the Transitional Living Program.
12. Other matters deemed necessary by the Executive Staff.