

Lulu & Laura House of Hope – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is House of Hope?

House of Hope is a transitional housing program operated by the Lulu & Laura Foundation. It provides a safe, supportive, *unlicensed* living environment for non-violent individuals reentering the community after incarceration.

Who is eligible to apply?

Eligible individuals must:

- Be a non-violent offender recently released or pending release
- Be willing to live in a shared home with structure and community support
- Be open to working, going to school, or actively pursuing a goal
- Be able to care for themselves independently (or have basic support needs)
- Be drug- and alcohol-free (willing to test if needed)

Is House of Hope a licensed facility?

No, House of Hope operates as an unlicensed transitional home, not a treatment center, group home, or halfway house. We provide housing and structured support, but no clinical services are administered on-site.

How long can someone stay?

Stays typically range from 30-120 days, depending on progress, housing readiness, and individual needs. Our goal is to help residents transition to permanent housing, employment, and long-term stability.

What services are offered?

- Safe, sober housing
- Life skills and goal planning
- Transportation support (as available)
- Referrals to:
 - Cajda Care Home Care for in-home support if needed
 - Employment services
 - Community and health resources

How many people live in the house?

House of Hope typically houses 6–8 residents, with shared bedrooms (2 per room) in a family-style setting.

Are meals, toiletries, or transportation included?

- **Utilities and housing costs** are included in the monthly fee.
- Residents may receive donated basic supplies, but are encouraged to become self-sufficient.
- Transportation may be coordinated for job interviews, parole/probation check-ins, and medical appointments if available.

Is there a cost to live at House of Hope?

Yes. Residents pay a monthly program fee, typically around **\$650**, which covers housing, utilities, and basic support. Residents are expected to find employment, receive benefits, or have support to contribute to their own reentry.

How do I refer someone?

You can submit a referral online or by contacting us directly. The referral form asks for:

- Basic applicant info
- Release date
- Current facility or agency
- Any special needs or risks

Can residents have visitors?

Visitors must be approved **in advance** and follow house rules. Overnight guests are not permitted.

Who manages the home?

House of Hope is overseen by the Lulu & Laura Foundation with on-call support. While the home is unstaffed 24/7, residents are expected to live responsibly and participate in structured support.

Questions?

Email: info@lululandlaurafoundation.org

Subject: **House of Hope Inquiry**