



Bonnie Brae
A Residential Treatment Center and
Special Education School for Youth

Summer 2022



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BONNIE BRAE

Agenda

- History
- Who We Serve
- Who We Are
- Our Programs
- Our Impact



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BONNIE BRAE- Mission & Vision

Mission

To empower youth and families to achieve small victories every day through comprehensive care and education

Vision

Transform more lives of historically under-served youth and their families through a nationally recognized model of care

We provide a safe place for youth to *heal, to learn and to grow*



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BONNIE BRAE- The Early Years

History

- Bonnie Brae Farm was founded by Judge Harry V. Osborne in Livingston, NJ in 1916
- Moved to 209 acres in Millington, NJ in 1920
- In the late 1970s, several acres were sold, now 100 acres in Liberty Corner, NJ





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BONNIE BRAE- Who We Serve?

Who We Serve?

- 114 boys on our main campus - ages of 12+ - 21
- 21 young men in our community-based transitional living homes in New Brunswick, Bound Brook and Bridgewater
- Males, females, non-binary & transgender youth via our 5 bed Crisis Stabilization Home in Chester, NJ - ages 13 - 18 short-term (180 days)
- New 5 bed Co-Occuring BH/SU program and a second 5 bed Crises Stabilization Program
- All the youth we serve have suffered from trauma, abuse and neglect
- Many have significant addiction, mental health, learning and behavioral challenges



BONNIE BRAE- Who We Are?

Who We Are?

- 330 staff members - including Administrative team led by Paul Rieger, CEO, Clinical, Residential, Recreational, Educational & Health Services Staff
 - Over 150+ years of combined leadership
- 17 board members

How We Do It?

- Strength Based/No point or levels
- Caring Professionals
- Trauma Informed Model of Care
- Strong Culture



Treatment begins with forming positive relationships between traumatized children and caring, knowledgeable staff



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BONNIE BRAE- Our Programs

Our Programs

Youth we serve are kids looking for compassion, structure and guidance

- Residential Care
- Clinical Treatment
- Education
- Recreation
- Intensive In-Community Services (IIC)
- Transitional Living
- Work Experience Program
- Health Services





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BONNIE BRAE- Helping Our Community

For over 100+ years, Bonnie Brae has contributed to the community in which our youth live

- Bonnie Brae Ambassadors
 - Volunteers feed the homeless, provide water for participants of Tunnels to Towers, lead guided tours of our campus
- Bonnie Brae Builders
 - Built 34+ homes with Habitat for Humanity
- Bonnie Brae Knights Drummers
 - Performed at the 2009 Barack Obama Inauguration





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When boys arrive at Bonnie Brae:

- 64% had been runaways averaging 5.8 placements before coming to Bonnie Brae
- 67% had been abused, neglected or witnessed violence inside or outside the home
- 70% were taking psychotropic medications
- 95% had school problems including multiple suspensions, expulsions and truancy

BONNIE BRAE- Our Impact

When boys leave Bonnie Brae:

- 85% graduated successfully from our program (moving to a less restrictive setting, breaking the downward spiral)
- 64% were reunified with their families and 67% felt Bonnie Brae helped them to get along better with family members, friends and other people
- 100% of all eligible Bonnie Brae seniors graduated from Bonnie Brae high school compared to the statewide average of 83%
- 46% decreased their psychotropic medications and an additional 21% were reduced to no psychotropic medications

BONNIE BRAE— Where Are They Now?

**BONNIE BRAE DIDN'T
JUST CHANGE MY LIFE ...
IT SAVED MY LIFE!**





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BONNIE BRAE- Upcoming & Past Events

- Virtual Graduation
- 2021 Tartan Golf Classic
- Matinee Theatre
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Virtual Cooking
- 2022 Tartan Ball





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BONNIE BRAE- How to Find Us

- www.bonnie-brae.org
-  <https://www.facebook.com/bonniebraenj/>
-  <https://www.instagram.com/bonniebraeschool/>
-  [https://www.linkedin.com/company/bonnie -brae](https://www.linkedin.com/company/bonnie-brae)
-  <https://twitter.com/bonniebraenj100>
-  **YouTube** https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI8_i4x97CbuZq8eZXPkCsw



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Q & A



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