



## Mockingbird Hill to sing again

***The long wait is over, as Mockingbird Hill Treatment Center is set to open next month.***

Everyone has recognized the need for a substance use treatment center in Madison County, but the road to getting here wasn't always easy. It took years of looking for a suitable property, doing the due diligence and planning work, and getting approval from Anderson city officials.

Right now, the final touches are being put on a major renovation and upgrade of the interior, along with painting and other improvements to the exterior, a further investment of approximately \$1 million. This represents a commitment by Aspire Indiana Health to the community – and to the fight against addiction. Aspire has plans for more treatment centers in Central Indiana.

At full scale-up, the center will house about 92 men with substance use disorder (SUD), with about 40 staff. Hiring is ongoing, so please refer any good candidates to our recruiting team. Joyce Redeemar has been brought on as General Manager of the facility.

As you may know, the site used to be known as Mockingbird Hill Park, a famous outdoor concert venue. Names like Dolly Parton, Jerry Lee Lewis, Chuck Berry, Johnny Cash, Patsy Cline and countless other legends performed there over the years. The center will include a historical display looking back on its rich legacy.

Mockingbird Hill will sing again, this time a chorus of renewal and recovery. ■

ASPIRE INDIANA HEALTH

# ACCESS TEAM



## CLIENTS TO OUR SERVICES

MEDICAL CARE  
EMPLOYMENT  
RECOVERY  
HOME BASED  
BEHAVIORAL  
DEAF SERVICES  
HOUSING  
SCHOOL BASED  
KIDS TALK  
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YOUTH/FAMILY  
PHARMACY

***Kelly Hawkins works with the Aspire Access Team, helping connect new and existing clients with the services they need, from healthcare to support programs.***

**KELLY** Hawkins has worn a number of hats over the years. After earning her associates degree in Religious Studies and Educational Psychology, she worked as a preschool teacher, for the Hamilton County government and then Noblesville Main Street, a nonprofit that works to enhance that city's historic district.

Now she works with the Aspire Access Team, helping connect new and existing clients with the services they need, from healthcare to support programs. It can be a challenging role, since Kelly often encounters people when they are most in need and stressed out. But she finds satisfaction in seeing they get the help they deserve.

Seeing them work on themselves, succeed and thrive is what inspires her to be a self-professed "cheerleader" for Aspire.

"There are so many things I look forward to with my job every day, but I would say by far it would be the amazing people I work with, both my co-workers who have become like family, and the wonderful clients I get to talk to everyday. I have met so many wonderful people through Aspire, both staff and clients," Kelly says.

In her downtime Kelly dotes on her cat, Boots, and guinea pig, Squeakers, and calls her parents "my best friends." And now,

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after trying out several different career choices, Kelly believes now she has found her work home.

"I can say above all I have enjoyed working at Aspire the most — by far. I feel I have definitely found my niche. I love my job and co-workers and feel blessed to have the opportunity to work for Aspire." ■



**Kelly Hawkins**

Access Engagement Specialist, 8 years

# The season of giving

This year, Aspire decided to take the funds normally used for seasonal staff parties and instead buy presents for everyone one of our group home residents. It truly is better to give than to receive!



## Aspire partnering for jail services in Marion, Boone

Aspire Indiana Health is proud of its long record of partnering with the judicial and law enforcement systems of Indiana, working together to lower recidivism and get Hoosiers the help they need so they are less tempted to turn to crime. Now we're taking the next step to bring services to inmate populations.

A few weeks ago, Aspire began a partnership in Boone County to provide recovery therapy and addiction services to female jail inmates. And we just announced a similar arrangement in Marion County. We're proud to partner with Boone Sheriff Mike Nielsen, Marion Sheriff Kerry J. Forestal and the local court systems to help these individuals take the first important step on the road to rehabilitation.



Heidi Bates  
 Shelby Bostic  
 Mike Burke  
 Jennifer Christmas  
 Alex Coffey  
 Serena Hendershot  
 Vivian Hinders  
 Jaclyn Lang  
 Matt Lessack  
 Brian McCarthy  
 Jessica Ryan  
 Kelly Stamper  
 Brittany Wheeler  
 Ashleigh Wirtner

# Thank you Amazon and Boone County Foundation!

We want to thank Amazon Whitestown, the Boone County Foundation and the Zionsville PD for coordinating and hosting another Amazon Pick Up for Boone County non-profits.

Aspire staff members, Katie Cutrell, Clinical Manager and dianna Huddleston, Director, loaded up their cars with laundry soap, sanitizers, sheets, pillow, blankets, personal hygiene items, boots, tennis shoes, winter coats and pants, sweatshirts and more. All items go through our Boone County community based teams so they can then provide for the people we serve who are in need of these items!



Keep reading as Katie shares some of the success stories from this event.

I was able to find some twin and queen sheet sets and our Care Coordinator/Life Skills Instructor, Kennedy Fields, who works mostly with our adult population with serious mental health issues, was able to give a set to a client who only had one set and is so limited on funds, it was never something he thought of buying for himself.

We were able to find some curtains and she gave those to some clients who had drafty windows and it is helping keep some of the cold out and warm in their homes.

The laundry detergent we got? That was a life saver for so many of these clients because they cannot use SNAP benefits to buy things like that, and as we know laundry detergent can be expensive. And not only that, but other cleaning solutions for keeping their homes safe and clean.



Some of the work that Kennedy does with her clients is teaching them basic, daily living skills, and this allows her opportunities to really get in there and work with them and encourage them to keep their homes clean. We know that for people with depression or disorganized thinking, prioritizing home care falls off when they are not able to even take care of themselves.

One of our clients was able to get a winter coat! And another got a pair of shoes, socks, and underwear! Kennedy and our support staff in the office say they love the opportunity to "shop" for the clients.

We have one [client] that is moving from a very worn down mobile home to one of the Aspire Manor Apartments next month, and she is bringing him by this week to find some things for his new place, to make it his own. ■

# Welcome New Aspire Staff!

**Mark Ake**  
Peer Specialist

**Brad Howell**  
Recovery Coach

**Imani Ameen**  
Certified Medical Assistant

**Alexis Johnson**  
Certified Medical Assistant

**Dyan Busicnki**  
Accounts Receivable Representative Temp

**Elisabeth Montague**  
Support Associate

**Melissa Cantrell**  
Assessment Technician

**Joseph Myers**  
Care Coordinator/  
Life Skills Instructor - HCBS

**Qunishia Carter**  
Employment Specialist

**Nayeli Nix**  
Care Coordinator/  
Life Skills Instructor  
Y&F HCBS

**Lillian Dye**  
Masters Level Clinical Intern

**Sherice Ezell**  
Accounts Receivable Representative Temp

**Thomas Owusu-Asante**  
Licensed Addictions Counselor

**Adam Fultz**  
Recovery Coach

**Jessica Sanders**  
Master's Level Clinical Intern

**Andrew Fuquay**  
Residential Recovery Associate

**Mary Slowiak**  
License Eligible Staff Therapist

**Stacy Gardner**  
Certified Medical Assistant

**Belinda Hopgood**  
Life Skills Coach - SGL



## TOP 5 HOTTEST JOBS!

**Licensed Clinical Social Worker:**  
Boone County (Lebanon)

**Recovery Coach**

**Peer Specialist**

**Certified Medical Assistant/Lead**

**Licensed Therapist:**  
send Resumes to [careers@aspireindiana.org](mailto:careers@aspireindiana.org)

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