



Critical Needs

Meet the People We Help...

Problem

Amy fled an abusive boyfriend in New York and took a bus to Pittsburgh, where her grandmother lived. But Amy's grandmother lived in an assisted living facility and could not take her in. Amy needed help starting her life over – but her immediate needs were a place to live and a place to work.

Solution

Amy was referred to JF&CS, where a resource coordinator began putting in place the supports Amy would need to move forward. She secured Amy temporary housing at a women's shelter and signed her up for career services at our Career Development Center. When Amy needed a suit for her job interview, the resource coordinator connected her to a professional clothing assistance program. Amy aced the interview, landed the job and shortly moved out of the shelter into her own apartment.

Outcome

Connected to community resources by her JF&CS resource coordinator, Amy built herself a new life in Pittsburgh. She recently was promoted and is working hard at saving money to buy a car. She's blossoming into a healthy, self-sufficient young woman, and having her grandmother nearby has proved to be a great support system.