Sister to Sister 2, Inc.

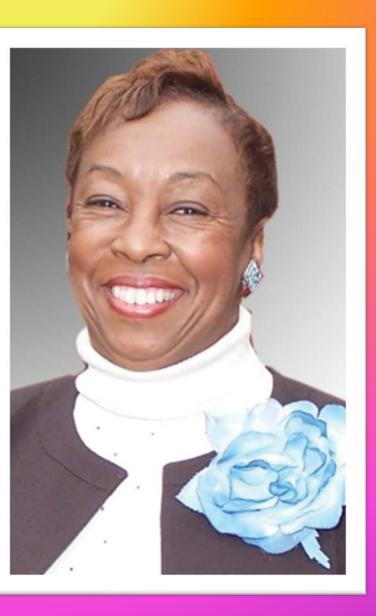
Helping survivors of addiction, violence, homelessness and incarceration become ...

Women of Destiny





- 2363 A San Pablo Ave, Oakland, CA 94612
- Culturally-competent and gender-sensitive 9 month recovery program, with option to extend to 2 years
- The mission statement of Sister to Sister 2, Inc.: to help women survivors of incarceration HEAL, EMPOWER, and ACHIEVE their dreams, living in their purpose



History

- O Ms. 'Johnnie' Faye Davis—West Oakland native, criminal attorney. Saw opportunity to give back.
- Established Sister to Sister (2)in 2009
- Transitioning from mostly volunteer-based organization to a fully staffed nonprofit



Melissa Hellums, Interim Executive Director



Diane White, Program Manager



Nicole Gardner, Client Care Coordinator



Paula Cook, Program Services Coordinator



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Population Served

- Accept women facing homelessness, addiction, violence and formerly incarcerated women at no cost
- 70-80% African-American women
- Over 90% have been formerly incarcerated
- 97% sexually abused as children or young women
- O 74% of women completing the program maintain sobriety and go on to live happy, productive lives

Programs

- 1. Residential Program
- 2.Day Program
- 3. Social Enterprisebegins in 2020

Residential Program

- Sober living environment
- O Housing First approach: do not evict for relapse
- 9 month program (trimester system) with option to extend up to 2 years
- Provides meals, educational & employment services, addiction recovery support, life skills and mental health services

Day Program

- O Typically 12 month program
- Ongoing case management/housing support after first year
- O Located at San Pablo Office
- Offers: Housing Assistance, Case Management Services, Individual Counseling, groups,12 step meetings, health & wellness services, education & job skills classes, family restoration/reunification services

Social Enterprise Program

- O Winner of Alameda County 'Innovation' Grant
- First cohort January 2020
- 18 week program focused on formerly incarcerated women
- O Blend healing and job skills: engage in classes for business management, soft skills, branding, etc. within a creative or healing arts field
- Mentorship with local businesses
- Opportunities to work hands-on in film and event production, marketing, and brand development

Our Success Stories

Clients say the difference is Personalized care and focus on spirituality--connecting to a higher power

Recently incarcerated client with no high school diploma went on to attend UC Berkeley and received PhD in law in 2017! Now works at law firm in Oakland.

Testimonies

am totally focused on myself