

## The *Next Step* Program – It Works!

Sometimes we just don't have what we need to solve life's problems on our own. We end up going in circles, discouraged, not knowing what to do next. That's why Samaritan Ministry offers the *Next Step* Program, to **help you help yourself** by setting goals and, with our help, taking manageable steps toward those goals.

Samaritan Ministry helps anyone that wants to make changes in his or her life. There are no religious requirements to participate. We work with you for as long as you want to participate in our program. Most important, we follow-up and stay with you as you accomplish next steps toward your goals.

Samaritan Ministry is committed to helping you develop your ability to help yourself to a better life by providing encouragement, information, referrals and other resources.

## The *Next Step* Program Can Help You

- Make lasting changes in your life
- Learn new skills
- Set priorities
- Work toward your goals

## Next Step Program Registration

Come to one of our three locations in Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia, Monday through Friday from 9am – 1pm. Each office is easily accessible by bus and/or Metro.

New participants should plan to arrive before 11 am. You will be asked to complete a confidential questionnaire to help us learn more about you. Once the information is complete, you are ready to meet with a caseworker to plan your next steps toward the change you want for your life.

### Northwest, D.C. (Main)

1516 Hamilton Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011  
202-722-2280 (phone) • 202-722-2288 (fax)  
*Recommended Buses: 50 bus (14th St.) or S2 or S4 bus (16th St.)*

### Southeast, D.C.

1345 U Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20020  
202-889-7702 (phone) • 202-889-7705 (fax)  
*Recommended Buses: 92 bus or P6 bus*

### Northern Virginia

2207 Columbia Pike., Arlington, VA 22204  
703-271-0938 (phone) • 703-271-0941 (fax)  
*Recommended Buses: Most 16 buses*

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# Make Changes in Your Life

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## The *Next Step* Program – How it Works

You may need to look for a job, find a place to live, improve your family life or learn to manage your recovery from an illness or addiction. The *Next Step* Program helps you set goals and take steps toward those goals in a supportive environment of coaching and services. By working with the guidance of our professional caseworkers and other staff, you develop and prioritize your own unique set of goals. Then you work toward those goals, one step at a time.

### We Offer: Employment Services

Our professional caseworkers and staff can help you:

- Develop a professional resume;
- Learn how to use computers to search for employment;
- Set-up and use email to apply for jobs;
- Use the Internet to submit on-line job applications;
- Obtain a valid photo ID;
- Select clothing appropriate for a job interview;
- Prepare for job interviews, and
- Receive mail and phone messages from potential employers.

### Social Services

Our professional caseworkers and staff can help you:

- Complete applications for benefits such as SSI and Food Stamps;
- Develop a plan to find a place to live;
- Identify and apply to shelters and transitional housing programs;
- Conduct your own search for housing;
- Apply for medical benefits and find medical care;
- Enter detox and recovery programs;
- Make appointments for mental health services;
- Find education and training programs;
- Find legal advice, and
- Develop a personal spending plan.

### HIV/AIDS Services

Living with HIV/AIDS can be a big challenge. But it does not have to be overwhelming. If you are HIV positive, we offer a variety of services and support including:

- Quarterly spiritual retreats;
- Monthly dinners to renew friendships and share news and concerns;
- Bereavement support for those losing a loved one to an HIV related illness, and
- Burial assistance funds.

### Rewards of the *Next Step* Program

Each person who comes to Samaritan Ministry has different needs. Whether it's finding a job, a place to live, or getting your family life back on track, applying the *Next Step* Program to your life can have a big payoff. Our casework staff encourages you to take the small actions that will help you change your life in great ways. Change builds up bit-by-bit, step-by-step, one day at a time. Before you know it, you're celebrating the changes you have made!

At Samaritan Ministry, we help you learn to help yourself. And what could be more rewarding than that?