



Our Mission

The Crisis Nursery, a program of The Center for Youth, provides temporary care to babies and children during family crises and referrals to parents and caregivers that help them resolve and move beyond difficult situations. ***It is the only program of its kind in Upstate New York.***

Open 24/7, the Nursery cares for children from **birth to age 14** (and up to age 17 to keep siblings together).

There is no charge to families.



The Center for Youth

The Center for Youth, founded in 1971 by a group of Brighton High School students, delivers free, confidential and voluntary housing, counseling, school-based and youth-development programs to young people.

The Center adopted the Crisis Nursery in 2013 to keep babies and children safe and prevent future crises.

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Crisis Nursery

of Greater Rochester



2 Locations

201 Genesee Park Blvd.

Weekdays: (585) 235-5750

464 Rosewood Terrace

Weekdays: (585) 482-2561

24-hour line: (585) 271-7670



A Safe Haven for Children



The Crisis Nursery cared for 2-year-old Pearl when her mother, Sarah, suffered a serious medical emergency.

"I can feel like I'm 100 percent capable of taking care of my daughter because now I have the Crisis Nursery." - Sarah

Having no support system in Rochester, Kendra turned to the Crisis Nursery when she needed to find stable housing for her children and finish classes at Monroe Community



"It's a safe haven for them and a comfort for me." - Kendra

Why the Crisis Nursery?

Parents or caregivers bring their children to the Crisis Nursery in times of crisis when they have no other trusted supports. Crises range in severity and are not limited to the following examples:

- Accidents
- Domestic violence
- Homelessness
- Legal issues
- Medical emergencies
- Mental health issues
- Unemployment
- Unexpected death
- Unexpected illness
- Unstable/unsafe housing

How to Access Services

Parents or caregivers (legal guardians) call to schedule emergency childcare services. No referrals or outside agency placements required.



Community Support

The Crisis Nursery keeps its doors open thanks to the generosity of the United Way, and individual, foundation, and corporate support from the Rochester community.

In addition to monetary gifts, The Center for Youth accepts the following donations on behalf of the Crisis Nursery:

- Gift cards to grocery stores and Walmart
- Baby formula (all kinds)
- Diapers
- New socks and underwear
- Kid-friendly foods
- Household supplies, including dish detergent, garbage bags, paper towels, toilet paper and light bulbs.
- Batteries (all sizes)

For volunteer opportunities or to make an online contribution, visit centerforyouth.net/crisis-nursery.