

# KEEP KIDS OUT OF RESIDENTIAL!

## STEP FORWARD ASSESSMENT AND STABILIZATION CENTER

We all know that avoiding residential altogether is what's best for kids and families. Tennyson's new assessment program works with counties to find the right placements - in home instead of facilities.

Before being referred to residential, children can stay at Step Forward for up to 30 days so counties have time to find family-like alternatives, linking families with Tennyson's world class Community Based Programs that consistently keeps families together and reduce recidivism into residential. Of course, if no family-like option emerges, counties can partner with us to find the best residential placement. Step Forward makes it easier to avoid residential and gives you the time you need to find a family.

Residential bed count is being reduced for all the right reasons. This program offers counties a pathway to Family First success and allows them to save money that would have been spent on congregate care. So far, we've saved counties \$40k per child through the program.

**Kids belong in homes. Join us in ensuring that every kid lives in a home that works for them!**

### FAST FACTS

- Up to 30 days
- Children 5-17



### THE 30 DAYS INCLUDES

- Clinical therapeutic support
- Medication management
- Routine medical care
- Case management
- Discharge support
- Regulation plan
- TIC