

ABOUT US:

Turning Point is a **nonprofit, private business** operated exclusively in Greenville, South Carolina since 1995. Our only goal is to assist suffering alcoholics and drug addicts with their recovery from addiction. We offer drug and alcohol free housing and transportation for work and errands at our 100-room facility. Our **residential setting** allows individuals to live and grow spiritually, physically and mentally in a safe, drug and alcohol free environment where everyone else is also in Recovery.

As a “**Working Man’s Recovery House,**” we help with finding employment and providing transportation. Residents work in regular jobs off site, go to meetings when they are not working, and as such they are allowed to pay as they go for the Program. We believe recovery is contingent upon becoming self-supporting through our own contributions. Our doors remain open without regard to a person's initial ability to pay. As the resident works through the program they become self-supporting through their own contributions. Because they paid as they went, they are without a bill for Turning Point.

With a remarkably high success rate since its opening in 1995, over five thousand men have been offered a new start in life. The Turning Point of South Carolina is a non-profit organization, organized under the laws of the state of South Carolina, and fully qualified by the IRS under section 501(c)3 as a charitable, tax deductible organization.

PROGRAM MODEL:

Our recovery program for men consists of a 14-day probationary period and a phased ongoing program that is evaluated after 90 days. After at least 90 Days, the individual can move forward with a job, some savings, clean time, and tools to stay clean.

Similar to in-patient programs and more intensive than outpatient treatment, our program relies heavily on the 12-Step programs of Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous. Progress through the Turning Point Phases will come from a commitment to the recovery program, reaching your goals and accepting responsibility.

PROBATIONARY PERIOD: 14 Days - Evaluation on ability to fit in to the program.

PHASE I: 90 Days - Get a Sponsor, Join a Home Group, Attend Daily Meetings, Keep Gainful Employment and Maintain a Positive Attitude.

PHASE II: 90 Days – Complete Steps 4 and 5 with a Sponsor, Attend Meetings 6 days a week, Do Voluntary Community Service each week, Maintain Full-Time Employment

PHASE III: is ongoing. The rewards for achieving Phase III include: attending meetings 5 days a week, reduction in program fees, and more liberties.

Our goal is to help you eliminate the roadblocks that are keeping you from starting a new life, and enable you to live self-supported without drinking or using drugs.

WHAT WE OFFER:

- A Safe Housing Environment for Recovery (100-room Facility)
- A Phased Recovery Program allowing increasing personal development as goals are reached
- Experienced Staff 24 Hours a Day
- Assistance Finding Gainful Employment
- Transportation to and from Work
- Vocational Rehabilitation Assistance
- Daily Transportation to Off Site 12 Step Meetings
- Daily In-House AA and NA Meetings
- Sponsor and Sponsee Room For Privacy
- Phones in Every Room
- On-Site Free Laundry Room
- Assistance With Reporting to Local Probation and Parole Agencies
- Genuine Assistance to Full Recovery

WHAT WE REQUIRE:

- Remain Drug and Alcohol Free (random testing performed on site)
- Honesty, Open Mindedness, Willingness, and a Positive Attitude
- A 90 Day Commitment for the First Phase
- Respect for Other Residents and Staff
- Daily Attendance at AA/NA Meetings
- Attain a Sponsor within 2 Weeks and a Study Habit of the 12 Steps
- Join a Home Group Within 30 Days
- Active Participation in Work Program
- Maintain Personal Hygiene and Living Area
- Obey All Other Rules and Guidelines

OUR FOUNDER:

Mr. Fred McCain was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1939. By the time he chose sobriety in 1969, Fred had acquired a "Bachelor's Degree in Alcoholism." In 1992 he went back for a "Masters Degree in Applied Homelessness." It was at this time that he rededicated his life to God. At that point he stopped being able to make money, and within two years lost his businesses and home. By the fall of 1994, Fred became homeless, and lived in his car for several months. He reached rock bottom, even contemplating suicide. He was able to reach out to friends in AA and began attending Unity Church, which honored the Self Help movement and 12 Step Recovery Programs.

In February 1995 Fred decided to travel to Greenville, SC to see his son and arrived in South Carolina virtually penniless. Fred was offered a job as a driver for a local halfway house. After five months the halfway house declared bankruptcy and asked Mr. McCain if he wanted to take over the operation. Fred found his calling by helping alcoholics and addicts with 3 available apartments. He started Turning Point with just one resident.

Through a consecutive series of blessings and some word-of-mouth advertising, the recovery house began to grow. Over the following years, a different facility was acquired, which could house and assist up to a hundred and fifty men. Mr. Fred's philosophy was to remove obstacles hindering recovery, while providing a safe living environment. Fred's motto never changed, "Show up on time, dressed and ready to play ball."

Mr. Fred is no longer with us, having passed away on June 8, 2011. But his spirit and legacy will continue through the efforts of the dedicated people staffing and supporting The Turning Point. Mr. Fred's passion and vision still guides all who seek refuge.

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