

1. How much does the program cost?

There is a \$750.00 intake fee.

2. Can you have visitors?

Yes, visiting hours are from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday.

3. Can I see my boyfriend/girlfriend?

No. Unless you are married you will not be allowed to communicate with persons who are of the opposite sex if they are not in your immediate family. There are some special exceptions to this rule.

4. Am I allowed to go home at anytime?

No. We are a 24/7 residential ministry.

5. Can I work to earn income while in program?

No, Even though we have work therapy at the first phase and job skill training at the second phase, you will not be able to work outside the program to earn income for yourself. You come here to overcome the life controlling issue of addiction and that will require your total attention. You will need to make arrangements to have your family taken care of while you are in the program.

6. Is there any job skills training?

Yes, at the second phase only.

7. Can I get my GED?

Yes. In the second phase of the ministry a person is encouraged too pursue their GED. We will assist in any manner we can.

8. Can I continue to take anti-depressants?

No. We are a “drug free” facility. No mood-altering drugs of any kind.

9. Can my children come to live with me?

No. Currently, we do not have the facilities to take care of children; prayerfully family members will be able to assist you.

10. Is Insurance required?

No.

11. Why do I have to transfer to a second phase?

Teen Challenge is a two-phase ministry. The first phase is designed to help an individual identify the hidden issues in his/her life that led one to use drugs/alcohol. We then begin to equip these persons with the tools that will help that person to be healed of these issues. The second phase of the ministry enhances a persons ability to implement the use of these tools on a daily basis.

12. What is a blackout?

For the first two weeks of the program we institute a communication blackout period.

13. What does a day consist of?

This will be discussed during your visit or you can request a copy of the student schedule to be faxed to you.

14. Can you smoke?

No, under no circumstances do we allow smoking.

15. Do we go to any NA/AA meetings?

No. However, we at Teen Challenge respect the format of those programs. We have our own curriculum.

16. How long is the program?

The time an individual would spend at Teen Challenge is 12 months.

17. What are the requirements to get in?

The Admission Requirements for men and women are listed under the Application.

18. Where can I get the physical done, I have no insurance?

We would suggest that you try one of the public health centers for this service. We will refer you to a private health center if you request that.

19. Can my husband/wife come in the program with me?

In the first phase a couple would be separated geographically, while in the second phase, if possible, they would be housed in the same facility.

20. What ages do you work with?

We work with all ages at our different facilities. Here in Philadelphia we work with adults, 18 and up.

21. Do you usually have a waiting list and how long does it take to get in?

Yes. While we do have a waiting list this is not a deterrent to one being placed in Teen Challenge. Once our requirements are met and if there are no beds available we would then work to get a person placed in another Teen Challenge facility.

22. Can I get an application online?

Yes. Application. To ensure you have met the requirement review the Intake Form and if necessary email staff members about other concerns.