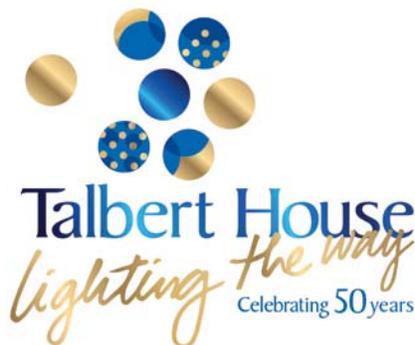


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## **Crisis Resources Available to Schools and Students**

*Talbert House offers hotline and texting services*

CINCINNATI—Talbert House offers a crisis texting service for students: text 4HOPE to 839863. This is a feature of the 24-hour Hamilton County hotline, 281-CARE. Students in need of assistance or who want help for a friend can text from their cell phones. Wallet size cards and posters designed for teenagers are available to schools. In addition, prevention programs for students, parents, and faculty are available that address stress, bullying, and suicide.

To learn more about these programs and introduce the texting service to your school, contact Joan Wyler at [Joan.Wyler@talberthouse.org](mailto:Joan.Wyler@talberthouse.org) or 513-946-3292.

### **About the Hamilton County Crisis Team**

The Hamilton County Crisis Team continues to be a free resource to schools. The Crisis Team can be contacted by calling 513-281-CARE(2273). School administrators can request the Crisis Team to assist them at the time of a crisis, such as death, serious illness, accident of a student or staff member, as well as an incident within the neighborhood. A trained team of licensed counselors works with administration to address the particular need of your school. The services are supported through Hamilton County Mental Health Tax Levy.

281-CARE is answered 24-hours a day, 7-days a week by trained staff at Talbert House.

For immediate assistance: call **513-281-CARE(2273)** or text **4HOPE to 839863**.

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*Talbert House is a community-wide nonprofit that operates within five service lines: Adult Behavioral Health, Community Care, Court and Corrections, Housing, and Youth Behavioral Health. Children, adults and families benefit from these proven services. Each year, Talbert House serves almost 36,000 clients face to face and an additional 34,000 are reached through prevention services throughout Greater Cincinnati. The Talbert House mission has two basic purposes: to improve social behavior and enhance personal recovery and growth.*