

■ **ARTIS' TENDER LOVE & CARE, INC**

13th Congressional District

Young Women Gain Life Skills at New Residential Center

Dependent, neglected and abused girls, ages 10-17, receive emotional and physical care and support at a new residential treatment center in Northwest Youngstown. Artis' Tender Love & Care provides a safe, alternative family setting for girls who are unable to remain at home. Residents attend school and learn life skills such as sewing, cooking, painting and carpentry to help them integrate back into the community.

A \$241,348 Community Health Loan (CHL) Fund loan from Finance Fund Capital Corporation, an affiliate of Finance Fund, was used for leasehold improvements at the formerly vacant 10,686 sq. ft. building. Financing also enabled the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment and provided working capital.

At the homelike health and wellness center, residents enjoy a study, lounge, kitchen and sleeping areas. Further financial support for the project came from the Youngstown Initiative which gave Artis' Tender Love & Care a \$39,599 grant to address community need and bring life to a neighborhood where the poverty level is 20.4 percent and unemployment is at 6.3 percent. Initially, the facility will house 10 girls and employ 10 staff, with four-year growth projected to reach 40 residents and employ 20 full-time staff.

"Everyone deserves a safe place to go to school and develop life skills," said Finance Fund President Diana Turoff. "Health and wellness facilities such as this provide a stable environment, training programs and intensive rehabilitative care that not only addresses the immediate needs of the individual but also provides significant long-term benefits for the community."



FINANCE FUND CAPITAL CORPORATION INVESTMENT IMPACT:

- **\$241,348 financing from the Community Health Loan Fund to create a comprehensive residential treatment center in an underserved community**
- **Supports creation of 10 jobs initially, with potential expansion to over 20 employees**
- **Treatment and support for at-risk adolescent girls**



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