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## Spaulding Academy & Family Services expands with community based program building

NORTHFIELD — Spaulding Academy & Family Services (formerly Spaulding Youth Center) has announced the opening of a new building for its Community Based Programs staff and families. The Shaker House is located in Northfield, approximately two miles from campus.

After Spaulding Academy & Family Services acquired the property several years ago, the house was renovated to fulfill the unique space needs of the Community Based Programs staff. The team consists of a foster care licensing worker, masters level clinicians, case managers, and family aides who partner to provide Individual Service Option Foster

Care, In-Home Services, and Child Health Support to children and families.

When staff members are not on the road visiting the children and families they support, the Shaker House provides a private and discreet family meeting room for supervised family visits. In addition, the onsite two-car garage was renovated to additional office space for six employees. All construction and renovation work on both buildings — except for the electrical and flooring — was completed by the Spaulding Academy & Family Services Facilities team.

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The house and garage now provide workspace for a total of 14 Community-Based program staff members with a parking area that accommodates 15 vehicles.

"This expansion of our office and meeting spaces is significant. Now our Community Based Programs staff have their own private offices to check in and out of as they



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travel, and the families we work with in the greater community can enjoy a welcoming and home-like place to meet," said Todd Emmons, CEO & President, Spaulding Academy & Family Services. "Thanks to the addition of the Shaker House, we also have newly available space on our main campus for Academy and Residential Program use."

For more information about Spaulding Academy & Family Services, visit Spaulding Services.org.

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