

# Newsletter

## Strengthening Our Community



### Our Mission

To provide compassionate, insightful, and accessible spiritual counseling services that foster deep self-awareness and sustainable positive transformation.

### Our Vision

To empower individuals to live their most authentic, purpose-driven lives, guided by inner peace and spiritual clarity.

Providing support, life skills, and essential resources for a better future.

### LIFESKILLS DEVELOPMENT COUNSELING

#### ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF THOSE WE SERVE

Learn our history and passion for helping the community with lifeskills development counseling.

### HONOR OUR PARTNERS

#### PARTNERSHIPS

Local businesses team up for eco-projects like urban gardening and waste management, strengthening community ties.

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

#### DRY FRIDAYS



Learn more about Dry Fridays and how you can help! page 4



## LIFESKILLS DEVELOPMENT COUNSELING

In July 1997, Ms. Gayla Folson convened a group of concerned citizens from churches and agencies that work with families and individuals living just above and below the poverty line. The group came together to strategize on ways to help provide supplemental services to families and individuals in crisis. Based on the collective's experience working with households struggling to make ends meet, they decided that services should center on moral and spiritual principles that promote wholeness and protection while serving the best interests of those requesting services throughout the Metro Detroit area. From this meeting, an advisory board was formed, composed of volunteers from churches, schools, agencies, and the community. Through commitment, dedication, and teamwork, this group developed what is known today as the Down To Earth Community Outreach Center.

Down To Earth has been a vital component in the community and as a result of the 2019 Pandemic, we were challenged to serve our community with outreach services that were specifically centered more on a spiritual life coaching counseling approach. For this reason, we have directed most of our resources towards developing our life coaching division. This division seeks to outline a strategic plan to launch a life skills hands-on division that will provide personalized guidance and support to individuals and families seeking spiritual growth, emotional balance, and well-being. Our services will include one-on-one sessions, group workshops and customized programs to address the needs of those we serve. This new division will focus on establishing a strong online presence, building a trusted brand, and ensuring an exceptional client experience.

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# DOWN TO EARTH COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER



Down to Earth would like to honor our partners and ask our community to give them your full support:

**Touching Heart** has partnered with DTE since 2004.

Touching Heart's core goals are community development and housing stability for homeless individuals and survivors of domestic violence.

Touch Heart has a great community financial education division called Breaking Up With Poverty, which has provided our community with valuable education and resources for financial wealth.

**Director Brooks J. Young**  
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**Tammie's Collective** has been a valued supporter of Down To Earth for several years, serving as a trusted one-stop shop. **Jaelai's Entertainment**, a division of **Tammie's Collective**, has also championed many local businesses by featuring them in the spotlight section on its Instagram and Facebook pages. In addition, **Jaelai's Entertainment** hosts free annual women's education sessions that promote women's health and wellness.

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## BECOME A COMMUNITY PARTNER

AS A COMMUNITY PARTNER,  
ARE YOU WILLING TO:

- Support our vision and goals
- Collaborate through shared resources, time, and financial support
- Feature our organization on your website or social media as a community partner

To learn more or get started, contact us at [lifelinecoachingministry@](mailto:lifelinecoachingministry@)

**DAPCO** is committed to preserving the family by encouraging values and providing assistance and skills that will enable individuals to maintain healthy lives and relationships.

Through these relationships, we propose to provide tools, resources and information that will include structured plans of resolution along with planned tactics that can be implemented as avenues for improving their quality of life.

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## DRY FRIDAY UPDATE


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Twice each month, we travel to two assigned laundromats to provide free dryer service for individuals and families in need. We are grateful to share that your donation continues to help fund Dry Friday. The community truly appreciates your support and the compassion behind it. Helping families dry their clothes eases a real financial burden and relieves some of the stress that comes with keeping up with household laundry.

## GRADUATION SEASON

As you know, graduation season is upon us. Our goal is to make sure graduating seniors who are not financially able to purchase their caps and gowns can be supported through the Adopt-a-Senior Program. If you are interested, please email us and we will connect you with the school where graduating seniors are in need of cap and gown assistance.

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