

Working in partnership

Cantercare works alongside many other agencies that help us to meet the needs of Service Users and enhance the ongoing work of the project.

The Cantercare team welcomes visits from partners who would like to find out more about our service and the facilities we offer. We would also be happy to hear from other agencies who would be interested in working in partnership with us. Please call the team on 01227 767180.

Support us

If you would like to support Cantercare by giving a regular or one off financial donation please call 01227 767180 or email cyra.stedman@cantercare.org.

If you are interested in volunteering at Cantercare we would also appreciate you getting in touch.



'Cantercare developed my cooking skills, increased my budgeting skills and the staff were always around for a chat'
Former Service User

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Supported Housing for Young Women who are Pregnant or have a Young Baby



"Creating and developing independence and futures"

Registered Charity no. 1023652

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Cantercare is a Christian Charity whose vision is to provide supported housing for young women who are pregnant or have a young baby. We are funded by Kent County Council and the generosity of Christians in Canterbury.

We work with young women to

- Advocate and mediate on their behalf
- Encourage positive parenting
- Promote healthy relationships
- Enable and prepare them to live independently within the community

Located in Canterbury Cantercare comprises of six individual bedrooms and communal facilities including two kitchens, two bathrooms, a downstairs toilet, lounge, computer room, conservatory and a large garden.

Service Users can come anytime during their confirmed pregnancy and stay until their baby reaches eighteen months of age. They must be prepared to engage with the support offered, as well as agencies or professionals that may be called upon to meet any additional identified needs.

Cantercare works together with Canterbury City Council but we are not able to provide 'move on' accommodation or hasten the normal process.

'Cantercare's support gave me confidence to be a good mum'
Former Service User



The Cantercare Staff consists of a House Manager and a team of Project Workers. Staff provide personal support and encouragement in a family style environment.

Each young woman is allocated a key worker who she meets with on a two weekly basis, as well as regular informal support from all staff throughout the week.

Criteria for a referral

Cantercare can help any young woman who is:

- Pregnant or with a young baby
- Aged between 16 and 21 years old
- Homeless or facing impending homelessness
- In need of support and willing to engage and develop skills needed for both motherhood and independence
- Able to live in shared accommodation with others in similar situations with similar support needs

Cantercare is committed to treating people with equal fairness, courtesy and respect. Our service is offered to women of all faiths and none.

Making a referral

Any organisation can refer a young woman to the service. Self referrals can also be made. Once a completed referral form is received we endeavour to make contact within seven working days. There may be a waiting list for the service.

A referral can be made in a variety of ways:

Online:

From the website (www.cantercare.org).

Email:

Send an email to the House Manager at cyra.stedman@cantercare.org

Phone:

We can be called at the Cantercare office on 01227 767180



'Cantercare helped me to get back on my feet after having family difficulties'
Former Service User