

# The Walker Center at Bancroft Community Living

## Commitment to Individual Growth

Helping each person to become as fully functional and independent as possible is our guiding principle. The small homes, trained staff, and consistency of a daily schedule enhance opportunities for growth. During the day, each individual has constructive things to do depending on his or her needs, abilities, and desires. Many individuals work in the community. Those who are retired enjoy their days in a variety of activities.

## A Dedicated Staff

Our professional staff receives more than 24 hours of in-service training a year, including CPR, first aid, medication administration, and diabetes education. In addition, Walker employs a full-time nurse. Walker also employs behavioral specialists, job coaches, and other specialists as needed.

All staff must undergo a criminal history check, child abuse clearance, and drug testing before being hired. Periodic random drug testing is also carried out.

## Attractive Homes

Our homes are located in Philadelphia, Delaware and Montgomery Counties. All of our homes are located near recreational facilities and shopping areas in order to increase opportunities for community inclusion, and are fully accessible to meet the needs of the individuals we support.

## In-Home Supports

In-home services are also available to assist individuals in acquiring, retaining and improving self-help, socialization and adaptive skills necessary to reside successfully in their own community-based settings.

## Respite Care

The Center also offers Respite Care when space is available. Respite Care provides:

- A 24-hour program, Monday through Sunday
- Professional, qualified direct-care support personnel
- Social interaction
- Daily activities, including therapy as requested
- Community trips and special event celebrations
- Funding can be private, through Medicaid, or fee for service. An additional fee may be required to participate in certain activities. Rates are based on the needs of the individual. Please contact us for further information.

## Program Description

Community-based residential and socialization supports are provided to help each individual maximize his/her potential for community involvement and fulfillment.

## Mission Statement

Bancroft's mission is to ensure that every person is given opportunities for lifelong learning and fulfillment.

We do this by altering perceptions, and by supporting those with intellectual and developmental challenges and acquired brain injuries in achieving their life goals as valued and respected members of our world.

## Leadership

**Sharon Williams-Taylor**  
*Senior Operations Director*

To learn more about The Walker Center Program, or to apply for admission, please call The Walker Center at:

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