United Way of Olmsted County's

CULTURALLY POWERED





TOGETHER, WE BUILD BETTER LIVES

"The system overserves people of color punitively and underserves them restoratively. So, if people of color are being overserved in the punitive side of the criminal justice system, then they need to be overserved here at Next Chapter in the restorative

We have this idea that giving back to your community, the only people who can do that are people who have something. And we've determined the people who have something are generally the people with privilege and decision-making power in our communities, but that's not true.

EVERY SINGLE PERSON HAS SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY.

Each person has challenges, barriers, but also strengths and skills, and equity takes into consideration all of those pieces.

Every single human being has value and worth and has dignity that has absolutely nothing to do with the decisions they've made in their life. When I think of Living United, I think of recognizing every single human being for the worth and value that they bring to the table."

Courtney Dugstad - Executive Director of Next Chapter Ministries



OUR MISSION IS TO BUILD LASTING RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILIES IMPACTED BY THE CYCLE OF INCARCERATION. RESTORING THEM TO GOD, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY.

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Next Chapter Ministries' vision is to change the culture of crime in Rochester & Olmsted County, and it is happening day by day, one life at a time.



Equity is the model of operation in which we serve people.



FOSTERING POTENTIAL

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CHANGING THE SYSTEM

It is our goal that staff, board, leadership, and all of our decision makers at Next Chapter have been influenced by the cycle of incarceration.

