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Mesa advocates for innovative upstream approaches to preventing youth homelessness. This is accomplished through a holistic approach to the individual, the building of strong relationships within the community, and the therapeutic potential of regenerative agriculture.



FACT: When you experience homelessness or housing insecurity as a kid, your chances of living a stable life as an adult largely vanish.

- 3,600 youth will age out of foster care in California in 2022
- Over **50%** of those who age out of the foster system experience homelessness within 2 years.
- And, without intervention, **22% of those young people will see their own children enter the same broken system**---a multi-generational issue that **MUST** change.

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Instilling and Restoring Resilience & Inner Strength

We are moving upstream from the symptoms of homelessness, incarceration and dependence on social programs to intervene during a critical crossroads - the transition toward an adulthood characterized by **resilience** and **strength** through **relationship**.

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Whole Person Approach to Wellness

FACT: An integrative and comprehensive approach leads to better outcomes.

- Safe and Stable Housing
- Personalized Wellness Plan
- Therapeutic Interventions
- Educational Opportunities
- Vocational Training
- Community-Based Work
- Environmental Sustainability

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Programming

Mesa is built on a **foundation of trauma informed program design.**

Mesa utilizes a highly personalized approach that allows participants to pursue their passions and create their own future.

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Wellness



Personalization



Community

MESA Ojai

400 Gorham Rd, Ojai, CA

What: 10-acre orange grove; 3 bedroom home and 10 tiny homes (8 one bedrooms; 2 two bedrooms)

Where: East End of the Ojai Valley

When: Summer 2023

Who: 12 TAY who are either experiencing or at risk of homelessness



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This property provides the perfect space for TAY to establish stability and community and to acquire the skills and education necessary to transition into independent living.

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Tiny Homes

- **8 one bedroom**
 - 160 sf units
 - Single occupancy
- **2 two bedroom**
 - 220 sf units
 - Designed for a parent and young child

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400 Gorham Rd, Ojai, CA

1 Bedroom Model 160 SF

A private modular home meant for one young adult.

Provides security, dignity and a sense of place.

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2 Bedroom Model 220 SF

Designed specifically for the unique needs of a young parent experiencing homelessness.

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Our Tiny Home Community



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The only ethical decision is to take responsibility for our own existence and that of our children. -Bill Mollison



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