

Still Waters, LLC was founded by Dr. Laura Rice in 2022. Dr. Rice has been an educator in Scott County Kentucky for nearly two decades. During her career, she became painfully aware of the need some youth have for residential care. These youth experience a season of storms in their life without any opportunity for calm. After experiencing her own storm, being provided the opportunity for stillness, and being challenged by her then pastor to allow God to walk us beside still waters, Dr. Rice could no longer ignore the call she felt to begin this nonprofit.

The ultimate goal for Still Waters, LLC is to partner with hospitals, the local judicial system, the school system, local churches, and other community stakeholders to provide four residential care facilities for young people: A mental health facility, a substance abuse and/or dual diagnosis facility, a crisis center, and young adult independent living.

In June 2023, Still Waters, LLC purchased their first piece of land. Once that land is completely paid for through grants and donations, a small home will be constructed for young adult living. While the Still Waters Board of Directors raises funds with the intent to pay off the land as quickly as possible, a partnership with one secondary school in Scott County has allowed for an after school program for all secondary students in the district.

This after school program is called Keep the Flame Lit and is held at Phoenix Horizon Community where Dr. Rice serves as principal. Keep the Flame Lit is an opportunity for young people to experience their own still waters. During their time after school, students receive a mental health check in, time with mentors, social skills training, substance abuse prevention, and academic tutoring. The board of directors for Still Waters is working on funds to purchase a van to provide weekly transportation for all secondary students who would like to attend.

At this time, Still Waters would appreciate any financial assistance you feel led to give. Monetary gifts will be funneled to the purchase of our property on Stone Rd for the future home of young adult independent living or toward the purchase of a van for transportation to Keep the Flame Lit. We also welcome and request prayers for God's guiding hand, strength, and continued blessing on this work.