

October 19, 2006

Marshall Tyner, Director
Laura Dester Children's Shelter
619 South Quincy
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74120

Dear Mr. Tyner:

I wanted to personally thank you for the kind welcome and facility tour you provided for April Simmons and me on October 4, 2006. Your staff demonstrated a sincerity for their work and an attentiveness to suggestions offered for improvements during the tour.

Please find attached a brief list of policy violations/concerns identified. I believe we addressed them during the exit conference with Kay Saunders. Your response indicating corrective actions taken to the items identified is requested within thirty days.

As mentioned, Oversight Specialist April Simmons has been assigned to your facility. She will return later this year to conduct a complete assessment.

I hope you enjoyed your birthday, despite the interruption.

Sincerely,

Kevin C. Rodgers
Programs Manager

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Attachment

c: Farilyn Ballard
Linda Smith
Susan Case
Kay Saunders
April Simmons

Laura Dester Shelter

Food Pantry in the Administration Building

1. The freezer needed a thermometer.

Little House

1. The cleaning supply closet needed to be locked.
2. The refrigerator used to store food for the residents contained staff members' food.
3. Medications for the residents were located in the refrigerator used to store food.

Building 3

1. The refrigerator used to store residents' medicines contained staff members' food and drinks.

Building 5

1. Several of the electrical outlets needed protective coverings in the preschool classroom.
2. The laminate needed to be replaced on the counter tops in the boys' bathroom.
3. The cover for a light fixture needed to be replaced and a hole in the ceiling needed to be repaired in the hallway on the second floor.
4. The cover for a light fixture needed to be replaced in Room 5.