



# Methodist Children's Home

Offering Hope Since 1890

## Fact Sheet

### Mission Statement

- Methodist Children's Home (MCH) offers hope to children, youth and families through a nurturing, Christian community.

### History

- Founded in 1890, MCH is a nonprofit childcare provider affiliated with the six United Methodist annual conferences in Texas and New Mexico.
- MCH serves children from diverse backgrounds, without regard to ethnicity, religion or financial status.

### Licensure/Accreditation

- MCH is licensed by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS).
- MCH is accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA) of Services for Families and Children.

### Residential Group Care

- MCH provides residential group care for up to 150 youth, ages 12-18, on our Waco campus and Boys Ranch. Provision may also be made for younger children as part of sibling groups.

### Education

- MCH is committed to meeting the individual educational needs of students. The majority of Waco campus and Boys Ranch residents attend the MCH charter school.

### MCH Family Outreach

- MCH Family Outreach serves children and families across Texas and New Mexico through foster care or other family services.
- MCH supports grandparents who are the primary caregiver for their grandchildren. Services include case management, parent education, support groups, and limited financial assistance.
- MCH provides in-home services to strengthen families through assessment, case management and advocacy.
- MCH Family Outreach has offices in Abilene, Bryan/College Station, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Killeen, Lubbock, San Antonio, Tyler, Waco, and Albuquerque and Las Cruces, N.M.

### Transition Services

- Staff members work with high school students to help them prepare for college or full-time employment.
- MCH also provides support services for former residents, ages 18-25, as they adjust to independent living.
- Residents who graduate from high school while under the care of MCH are eligible to apply for scholarship assistance to attend a state university, college or technical school in Texas.



### MCH At-A-Glance

- The Waco campus is located on 130 acres in the northwest part of the city. The Boys Ranch is located in Axtell, 10 miles northeast of Waco.
- MCH annually serves more than 5,000 individuals through residential programs, foster care and family outreach services.
- MCH School consistently earns high ratings from the Texas Education Agency.
- Youth receive medical care from the nursing staff at the on-campus clinic and local physicians.
- MCH holds the highest rating for standards and practice from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest evaluator of charities.