



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 10-18, 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 charter school on the Waco campus.

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 and other relatives who care for children in the absence of parents. Services include in-home assessments, case management, and support groups for caregivers.
- 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.
- The charter school at MCH consistently earns high ratings from the Texas Education Agency.
- Youth receive medical care from the nursing staff at the on-campus clinic and from local physicians.
- MCH holds the highest rating for standards and practice from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest evaluator of charities.