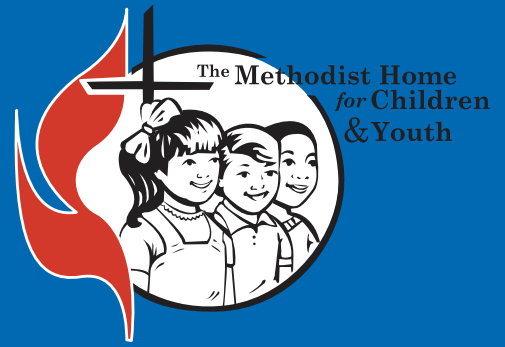


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Programs of Ministry

The Methodist Home for Children & Youth



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RESTORING CHILDHOODS

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Residential Care

Since 1872, The Methodist Home has provided a residential program for children who are dependent, neglected and abused. Over 10,000 children have resided at the Home. During 2007, over 243 children found hope and help at The Methodist Home.

Emergency Placement

Our Macon and Columbus campuses offer emergency placement services to DFCS in Bibb and Muscogee counties, as part of our cooperative effort to meet the needs of our community both short- and long-term.

STARS

The STARS Program provides intermediate residential treatment for young males between the ages of six and twelve who have a history of sexual, physical, and emotional victimization, which results in the children having sexual behavior problems. The STARS Program is a twelve to twenty-four month program specifically aimed to treat each child's sexual behavioral problems.

HOPE Therapeutic Foster Care

HOPE (Helping Others in Parenting Environments) is a community-based foster care program developed by The Methodist Home. Therapeutic foster care is often an appropriate setting for children who are ready to leave the Home, but are not ready to return to their family. Foster families are recruited to provide this important service for children needing a day-to-day family experience.

Diagnostic and Assessment Services

An assessment Diagnostic Referral occurs when the Department of Family & Children Services seeks a 90 day diagnostic assessment in a residential setting to determine the most appropriate and least restrictive placement for a child in need. Our goal is to be sure each child receives the services they need as quickly as possible.

Intensive Family Intervention

Intensive Family Intervention is a community-based service aimed at preventing out-of-home placement and promoting family reunification and stability for children six to seventeen years old. Services include telephone contacts, in-home visits, school visits/contacts, and other services. Clients have access to a licensed Master's Level Therapist, qualified Mental Health professional, Psychiatrist, and Psychologist as necessary and 24-hour crisis support.

First Placement/Best Placement

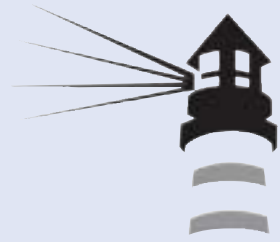
First Placement/Best Placement is a demonstration project to provide an assessment of each child coming into care and their family. The primary goal of this 30-day program is to find permanency for all children served within one year.

Mission Statement

In response to Christ and the Church, the mission of the Methodist Home is to be a model agency that restores childhoods, strengthens families and cultivates a people-building organization.

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES

To Make A Referral please contact Clinical Director
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St. Marys (912) 882-3034



LIGHTHOUSE *for* FAMILIES

A Program of the Methodist Home for Children and Youth

Comprehensive Child and Family Assessments

CCFAs are a process by which a child and the child's whole family is assessed, to determine the strengths and needs of the child and family. Recommendations are then made for services to fill in the gaps, with a goal of minimizing the child's time in the system, and maximizing the child's (and family's) potential for a satisfying and productive life.

Respite

Respite care is a care arrangement that can mean a change in the care setting or the people who provide care services for weeks, weekends or at night times. This program gives a break, both to the child receiving care and person(s) providing care, in a home care or community care setting. Respite arrangements vary according to personal needs and local policy.

Wrap Around Services

Wrap-around services are provided to (1) families in which the child is at-risk for out-of-home placement; (2) families in which the child is returning to the home and community following out-of-home placement; (3) families for whom stressors are negatively impacting child and family functioning; and (4) young adults working towards independent living. Wrap-Around Services include the following: individual counseling; family counseling; case management; crisis intervention; behavior management / parenting education; and communication skills counseling.

The Family Institute (Church Consultation)

The Family Institute helps churches begin after-school programs, assists in providing parenting classes, and brings much needed information and resources to our communities in order to minister to children in the shadows of our steeples. The primary goal of this program is to prevent children from coming into the child welfare system.

Eagles Nest

This on-site child development center enables staff and other families from our community to place their young children in a safe and educational environment.

Safe Kids/Safe Staff

The Methodist Home has been selected as a national demonstration site to improve methods and training programs to reduce physical restraints with youth in residential treatment. This program represents our commitment to treatment where all youth and staff are safe.

Values

Our values embrace Servant Ministry, Learning, Respect, Trustworthiness, Responsibility and Caring.

Goal

To serve more Children and their families in more Places, in more Ways, more Effectively.

A PEOPLE BUILDING ORGANIZATION

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Independent Living Skills

A program designed at The Methodist Home and taught in three phases (elementary, junior high, and high school) enables children to learn skills throughout their stay at The Home that are necessary for success when they reach independence. Preparation for independent living skills include financial skills, cooking, car care, life interest, hobbies, and other skills and talents needed in life.

Higher Education

Because of the generosity of those interested in the higher education of our youth, a special fund exists to provide college and vocational assistance to youth continuing in these endeavors. In the current school year, we have six young people in college and technical schools.

Price Educational Center

Our On-Campus Educational Services include the Price Educational Center, with Elementary E.B.D. (Emotional Behavior Disorder) Classrooms. This enables us to provide the small class size and individual attention our students need to succeed. We also offer on-campus Tutorial Services to our residents.

Spiritual Life

The Methodist Children's Home seeks to meet the spiritual needs of our children and staff. Our chaplains provide weekly chapel services, and offer individual counsel to residents and staff members. Small groups allow both staff and residents to pursue spiritual development. Service projects, retreats, and involvement in local churches are all part of our spiritual life program.

Recreation

The Methodist Home uses recreation for therapeutic needs and as play itself. Our recreation therapists are skilled in guiding activities that build self-confidence and teamwork. We offer extensive Recreational and Life Skill Opportunities. Our facilities include an outdoor pool, athletic fields, indoor and outdoor basketball courts, tennis courts, a racquetball/handball court, a weight room, game room, and a ropes course.

IMPACT

Motivating People to Accomplish Competent Teamwork. Our commitment to constantly improve what we do is formalized in this quality improvement program. Regular reviews of our programs, consultations with staff, providers, and clients, surveys and other feedback help us keep improving our services to children and families.

Training

The Methodist Home desires that staff grow personally and professionally as a benefit of their employment with us. One way we build our employees is to increase their competency and confidence. Additionally, by offering the ability to progress within the agency and within a particular position, we allow employees to develop a career. Full-time staff of The Methodist Home are required to take a minimum of 45 hours of training annually. Specific classes vary depending on the position held, and professional licensing requirements. Our NCPC program allows employees to improve their skills and advance their careers. Tuition reimbursements encourage staff to educational attainment.

The Methodist Home offers and hosts training for agencies across the state. Our excellent staff is available for both internal and external training. Our facilities are much sought after as a place for outside agencies to hold their training. Statewide conferences held on our campus are a benefit to many. We are pleased to be a "go-to" place for training in Georgia.