



Methodist Children's Home

Offering Hope Since 1890



Our vision is to empower all we serve to experience life to the fullest.

Located in the heart of Texas, MCH serves youth through our residential program on both the Waco campus and Boys Ranch. Our Waco campus sits on 130 acres in a park-like setting, while the Boys Ranch is located 10 miles northeast of Waco in the countryside. Each location is unique in its offerings, but together provide a caring, education-focused community designed specifically to meet the needs of the children in our care. Additionally, MCH Family Outreach provides home and community-based services to individuals and families across Texas and New Mexico. We fulfill our mission through the generosity and support of benefactors, not through church apportionment or government funding.

OUR CORE VALUES

CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES

Apply the principles of the Christian faith which serve as the foundation for this ministry.

RELATIONSHIPS

Build healthy relationships through communication, respect, trust, and love.

RESPONSIBILITY

Be accountable for self and others.

GROWTH

Provide opportunities for spiritual, emotional, physical, and intellectual development.

SERVICE

Show compassion through generosity and care.

HOPE

Believe in the possibilities of the future.

Founded in 1890, MCH is a nonprofit childcare provider affiliated with the six United Methodist annual conferences in Texas and New Mexico. Our mission is to equip children, youth and families to flourish by offering hope through Christ-centered relationships, services and support. Each year we serve more than 5,000 individuals from diverse backgrounds, without regard to ethnicity, religion or financial status. MCH is licensed by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (TDFPS) and is accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA) of Services for Families and Children. MCH consistently holds the highest rating for standards and practice from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest evaluator of charities.



WACO CAMPUS

MCH provides residential group care for up to 80 youth, ages 10-18, on our Waco campus. Groups of eight youth live in cottage-style homes and experience a family-like environment. As a faith-based community, we are focused on the holistic growth of each child through spiritual, physical and educational opportunities. Youth attend an accredited charter school on the Waco campus, operated in partnership with the University of Texas–University Charter School system and regulated by the Texas Education Agency.

BOYS RANCH

Established in 1971, the MCH Boys Ranch is located on 500 acres in the community of Axtell, 10 miles outside of Waco. The Ranch includes five homes, administrative offices, a recreation center and activities center, a variety of livestock pens, barns and a horse arena. Many youth who come to MCH respond better in the specialized, agrarian environment where they are able to work with animals and livestock. Girls and boys from the Waco campus also have the opportunity to participate in Ranch programs.

TRANSITION SERVICES

MCH provides support services for former MCH youth, ages 18-25, as they adjust to independent living and pursue advanced education, job training or employment. Staff members also work with high school students currently at MCH to help them prepare for college or full-time employment. 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.



FAMILY OUTREACH

MCH Family Outreach serves children and families across Texas and New Mexico through family support, foster care and foster-to-adopt (in some locations) and other family services. Services are designed to help meet the needs of families with one or more children between the ages of 0 to 17. Whether it is illness, conflict, school difficulties, or parenting challenges, families facing these situations can turn to the professional, caring staff at MCH Family Outreach and these community-based services.

Each outreach office provides resource information, parenting support and education, case management services, service planning, and advocacy to families through preservation services, Family Solutions, and the Gap Program, which serves grandparents and other relatives who care for children in the absence of parents.



MCH SERVICE LOCATIONS



Contact information for our residential campuses and outreach offices is available on our website.

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