

Infancy to independence – our programs:



What we do:

- make families stronger
- give kids a safe, stable place to grow up
- equip all in our care parents and children to build healthy, self-sufficient, and productive lives.

On any given day, we have more than 400 children in care. Here's a snapshot:

- Children in the foster care and adoption system because of abuse or neglect.
- Children whose parents are addicted, overwhelmed, unhealthy absent from their lives.
- Kids on their way to youth prison or just getting out who want a better future for themselves.
- Kids unparented and off track who fall far behind grade level in school and who lack independent living skills.
- Young people, unadopted, who need help transitioning to adulthood without the safety net of a family.
- Young people who've lived with us and need help with college expenses.
- Kids diagnosed with both mental illness and developmental delays.
- Preschoolers with special needs or family struggles at risk for falling behind in life, even before they've started kindergarten.

What we know:

- Kids know and repeat what they see, what they hear, what they grow up with.
- When children are subjected to neglect, cruelties, or violence, the effects are long-lasting and potentially devastating. The basics we take for granted may seem, to them, beyond reach. Love, safety, and stability are just words. The future is uncertain.
- Without intervention, these kids are vulnerable to a lifetime of self-destructive behaviors that can derail their ability to be happy, healthy, self-sufficient adults and contributing members of their community
- Removing people from bad situations is just the start; we want to break self-destructive cycles and point children and families toward a positive future.

We think they deserve better:

• We see hope in each of them. We build on their strengths, nurture goals, create opportunity, and prepare children and families to shape their own futures.

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