

Meet Jordan.



Early in 2020, 17-year-old Jordan entered the Robert and Jane Ferguson Residential Treatment Center (RTC) due to past traumas that created behaviors that were putting her in danger. At the RTC, Jordan received therapeutic care to help her develop skills to manage her emotions, build her self-esteem, and help her make safer decisions for herself.

On her path to healing, Jordan developed strong connections with RTC staff, learning to connect to adults in healthy ways. Jordan was so bright, she continued to make gains in school while she was in our care and graduated from high school. She was also able to be reconnected with her mother. She even began rebuilding her relationship with her mother—something unimaginable to her when she started treatment.

Over the course of her treatment, Jordan revealed her bright and engaging personality, her compassion for the deaf community, her skills in sign language, and her resilience in overcoming a very difficult start in life. She is currently attending college and has a promising future ahead of her. The skills she has learned will benefit her for a lifetime.



The Robert and Jane Ferguson Residential Treatment Center

Through its pioneering Our Community Our Kids division, ACH uncovered a gap in services for the most vulnerable youth in the foster care system—those who have experienced extreme abuse and neglect. As the need for these services was and continues to be so great, ACH opened the Residential Treatment Center (RTC) in August 2019—a year before it was fully funded.

The RTC is the only one of its kind in Texas and provides Tarrant and other counties with an innovative, secure facility for youth with significant behavioral or mental health challenges. Our 24-hour treatment teams are committed to put our community's highest-need teens on an accelerated path to success.

The goal is to connect these youth in less than a year with a support system and help them transition to successfully living in a family—the best setting to continue to develop and learn to become an independent, contributing member of society.