Behavioral Care Program

Safe residential care for young children

The ACH Behavioral Care Program is the only residential program of its kind in Tarrant County, offering trauma-informed care for children ages 4-12. The program primarily serves children referred through the Department of Family and Protective Services.

The Behavioral Care program offers a safe and highly structured environment for children whose moderate to severe emotional and behavioral problems prevent them from living with their families or in less structured environments. Using strategies and techniques such as Trust-Based Relational Intervention® and playful engagement, the program teaches adaptive behaviors in a secure residential setting.

ACH's Behavioral Care program has a 10-child capacity, with children typically staying in the program for nine to 12 months. Program outcomes include:

- Protecting the child from abuse or neglect.
- Twice a month visits with parents or relatives, if appropriate.
- Behavior improvement that leads to children entering less restrictive environments consistent with their permanency or reunification plan.
- School-age children remain in school while receiving services.

Services are paid for by private insurance, Medicaid, Child Protective Services or private funding. As long as space is available, no child is turned away, regardless of available financial resources.

2022 Operating Expenses: **\$1,028,016**

Projected Program Funding Gap: \$357,413

Daily Cost Per Child: \$407 per night (Approximately)





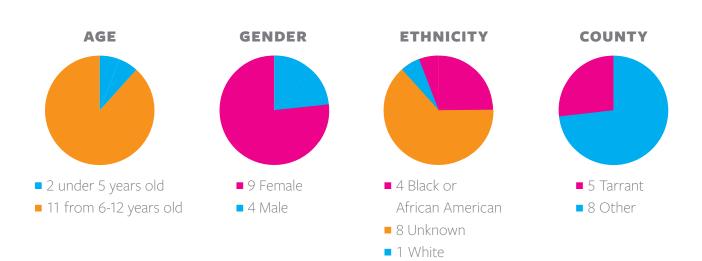
The ACH Wedgwood Campus

2021 Snapshot

The Behavioral Care program takes place at ACH's Wedgwood Campus in southwest Fort Worth. The setting includes a large park area with playground, basketball court, baseball diamond and a covered picnic area surrounded by home-like residences. Also on the campus are the Morris Program for youth 14-17 who are preparing for independent living; Summit, an innovative crisis-stabilization and respite program for ages 10-17; and Turning Point, a program like Summit for foster youth.

At ACH, our vision is for families to thrive and children to experience safety, hope and love.

13 Children served in the Behavioral Care Program







ACH has been accredited every year since 2003 by the Council on Accreditation and in 2018 Our Community Our Kids also became nationally accredited.