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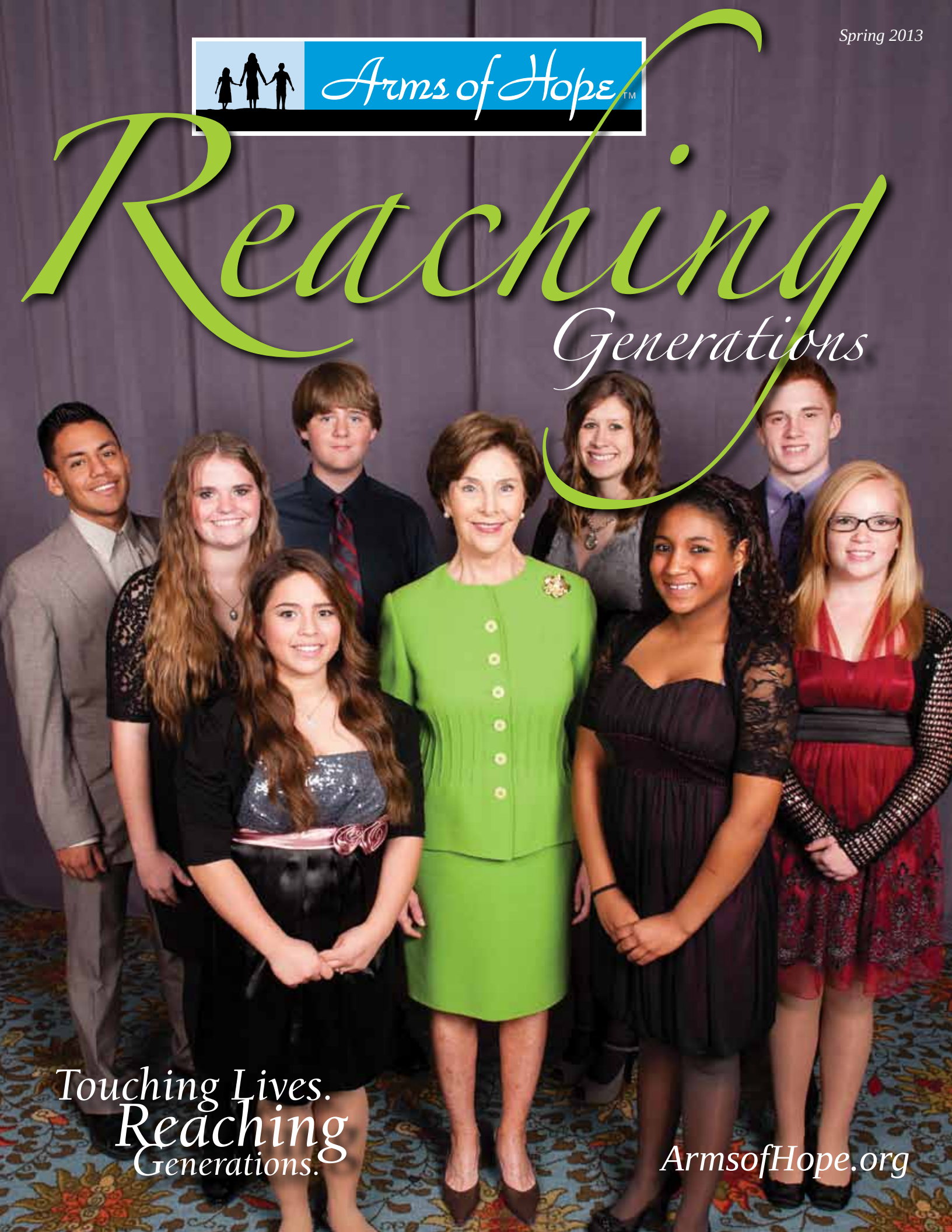

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ON THE COVER: Arms of Hope was blessed to have former first lady Laura Bush speak at the Dallas Gala & Auction in October. To hear a short selection of Mrs. Bush's remarks, use your smart phone to scan the QR code to the left.

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Reaching Generations Gala & Auction

San Antonio 2013

featuring
Special Guest Speaker

Pattie Mallette
JUSTIN BIEBER'S MOTHER & ADVOCATE FOR SINGLE MOTHERS

Saturday, May 4, 2013

Hyatt Regency Hill Country Resort and Spa
San Antonio, Texas

Register online:
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Most people only know her as Justin Bieber's mom, but Pattie Mallette has had an incredible journey of her own. We have heard of her son's rags to riches triumph, but Pattie was an abused girl who felt abandoned and unloved. She was a teen mom who made poor choices and overcame drug and alcohol addiction. As a young woman she attempted suicide and could hardly bear to believe that God would ever care for her. She messed up, got pregnant and was even encouraged to abort her baby, but received a second chance. Many can identify with her painful journey of redemption and are encouraged that a broken life can become whole again. For those who feel unlovable, there's love. For those who believe they're a lost cause, there's room for another chance. Pattie's story is an inspiration to believe that even in the darkest of places, there's always HOPE!

Upcoming Events:

Dallas Golf Tournament
April 29, 2013
Fire Wheel Golf Park
Garland, Texas

San Antonio Benefit Gala
May 4, 2013
Hyatt Hill Country
San Antonio, Texas

Houston Golf Tournament
June 24, 2013
Woodlands Country Club
The Woodlands, Texas

Dallas Benefit Gala
Fall 2013
Dallas Hilton Anatole
Dallas, Texas

San Antonio Golf Tournament
October 28, 2013
Hyatt Hill Country Golf Club
San Antonio, Texas

Austin Golf Tournament
November 4, 2013
Avery Ranch Golf Club
Austin, Texas

Houston Benefit Gala
Fall 2013
Hilton Americas
Houston, Texas

Registration available online:
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Paul & Mary Lou Winkler and their children and grandchildren are surrounded by Arms of Hope leaders and board members.

On Saturday, August 25, 2012, more than 140 people gathered on the Arms of Hope Boles Campus for the ground breaking of the Paul and Mary Lou Winkler Hospitality Center. Each year the Boles Campus has over 1,000 visitors, mostly volunteers, many of whom will now stay in this facility upon its completion. These visitors include church, college, business and other volunteer groups or families of our residents, who visit the Boles Campus and need a place to stay. The new 6,200 square foot building will have four bunkrooms and four hotel rooms. There will be a common area for games, activities and relaxation. There will also be an apartment for a hospitality center director. The building will be located in close proximity to Arms of Hope's ROPES course, swimming pool, gymnasium and dining room. The building's location, size and proximity to the other facilities not only make it ideal for groups completing service projects on our campus, but also for group retreats. Construction of the building is expected to be completed in Fall 2013.

Tom Winkler, Arms of Hope board member, addresses the crowd.

Arms of Hope is pleased to announce the opening of its Duncanville Campus and Dallas Family Outreach Center

The Dallas Family Outreach Center assists poverty stricken families who are in desperate need of physical, emotional and spiritual services. Currently in the Dallas area, with plans to expand to other urban areas in Texas, Arms of Hope Family Outreach Centers provide an opportunity to connect with resources to help families deal with hardships and life's challenges that often stress a family to the point where they need hope, restoration and guidance to find a path towards success and independence.

The Duncanville Campus is a new urban application of Arms of Hope's Together Program which serves single-mother families in the DFW area. The program helps motivated single mothers and their children, who are fleeing poverty, homelessness, abuse and neglect, transition into successful, independent futures. Arms of Hope creates an environment for amazing transformations by teaching parenting skills, enabling education opportunities and providing career training and a home in a peaceful, safe environment.

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Duncanville Campus Reception

The reception for the Together Program Urban Project in Duncanville was held Thursday evening, October 23rd. Those who attended were able to visit with others interested in serving single-mother families. A tour of the apartment complex was provided to the visitors by several of the single mothers and their children who participate in the program. The families living in the Arms of Hope's Duncanville Together Program's urban project are provided housing, utilities, case management services, worship, work and educational opportunities, counseling and, above all, hope!

Family Outreach Center Reception

Arms of Hope celebrated the opening of its new Family Outreach Center in Dallas. Working in partnership with the Highland Oaks Church, the FOC is an extension of the Outreach Ministry Program and to date has served over 100 individuals in desperate need. The Outreach Center provides direct assistance and referral services to help families, in their own neighborhood, by offering them a hand after life has knocked them down.

Arms of Hope Homecoming Festivities

Homecoming is a very special time for residents at Arms of Hope. Our staff provides the children mums or garters and house parents and caseworkers make sure that residents truly have an experience to always remember. Even our younger residents get to participate in "Homecoming Court."

Halloween 2012

All Arms of Hope residents participated and enjoyed times of fellowship at Fall Festivals, Trunk or Treats and campus-wide activities. Volunteers from churches and the community, as well as AOH employees, offered food, games and devotionals. Many thanks to all of you who provided a safe and happy Halloween for the children and families we serve.

Volunteers help provide Arms of Hope children a very Merry Christmas!

Arms of Hope children were blessed with gifts, parties and visits from many different individuals and groups during the holiday season with special appearances by good Ol' Saint Nick!

Altamesa Church - Ft. Worth

Dallas Mustangs - AOH Sports Ministry

Team Nike

Vic Sahm and Family

Jack Burkhart

Valero Energy and Steve Swann

4-H - Hondo

Alpha Phi Sorority - Texas A&M -Commerce

Saturn Road - Garland

BETTER TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE

Arms of Hope-Medina Campus residents and employees volunteer at the Utopia Animal Rescue Ranch (a non-profit organization that primarily rescues dogs). The ranch was cofounded in 1998 by Kinky Friedman, Nancy Parker Simons and Tony Simons. They currently have 51 rescued dogs and their goal is to have loving families adopt these animals. These dogs have been abandoned, abused and neglected and the time our kids spend with them helps socialize the dogs, making them more adoptable. Our residents and employees served by winterizing dog houses, repairing fences and pens, clearing brush and most importantly, providing love for these animals.

On Thanksgiving, they even gave up part of their holiday to help prepare and serve each dog a special meal. Future projects include building and painting new dog houses, cleaning and enhancing the walking paths to aid in working with the animals. What an incredible way for our residents to give back to their community and share the common bond of the love that they have received!

A New Life and a Second Chance

By Sherrie Walton, Together Program Resident

My name is Sherrie Walton and I'm a 29 year old single mother to Collin (11), Sarah (9) and Jayden (5). I am a resident in the Together Program at the Arms of Hope-Boles Campus. I was born in Virginia in a traumatic way. My mother had an emergency C-section because my dad was beating her. We lived in a bread truck because my dad was on the run from the law, due to kidnapping my half sister from her mother. I grew up very poor and my dad never had a secure job. I didn't even start school until the age of nine. I was physically, emotionally, sexually abused and neglected. My dad was also abusive to my mom and my siblings. I finished the 6th grade when I was 16 years old and then dropped out because I got married and became pregnant. After four months of marriage, we divorced. I then became pregnant with Collin. His father left me because he didn't want a child. Sarah's father left me when I was six weeks along in the pregnancy. Jayden's father asked me to get an abortion but I moved in with family members. I applied to the Together Program because I was going to be homeless and I was afraid of losing everything. I had stayed with my grandfather in Virginia, but it lasted only three months. He was verbally and physically abusive to my children. I then stayed with a cousin in North Carolina, but it was a two bedroom house with seven people living there with alcohol and strangers coming and going. I was accepted into the Together Program in January, 2012.

I feel free to excel as a result of the emotional support I receive from the Together Program. Because of Arms of Hope, I'm able to pursue a degree in nursing. My children are excelling in school and have gotten involved in sports. I have gotten off my depression medications and feel safe enough to get close to my children and become a real family. I have been able to access counseling services which have allowed me to accept my past and move forward. I feel that I found God and I enjoy being a member of a church family.

Without Arms of Hope, at best I would have been living from place to place, but now I am able to have stability and confidence to thrive. I plan to finish my degree and pursue a career in nursing so I can support my children and become independent. One of my dreams is to go on mission trips to spread the Word of God. Because of Arms of Hope, I am able to live in a stable environment where I can continue to strive and reach for my dreams.

Finding Family and Hope at Arms of Hope

By Jaemesha Rogers, Residential Child Care Resident

My name is Jaemesha Rogers and I'm a 14 year old resident at Arms of Hope-Boles Campus. I arrived 4 years ago along with my older brother after our cousins decided not to adopt us into their family. I was 10 years old and my brother was only 15 years old. Needless to say, it dramatically affected my view of life. Before that, we had lived with my single mother and grandfather in a two bedroom trailer. It barely qualified as a house. My mother was a drug addict, was rarely home and, with my grandfather working, my brother and I were often abandoned. The longer my mother was gone, the closer my brother and I became. He was my role model and our relationship grew closer every day. I knew I could always trust him to love and take care of me. After that, we lived in five different Child Protective Services (CPS) placements.

Coming to Arms of Hope-Boles Campus was the best thing that ever happened to us! I was provided a home with a bed of my own, food that I can trust will always be there, incredible friends, a spiritual family that I can trust and rely on and I have been provided with the opportunity to set a good example for others. My brother now attends college and he's making a difference in people's lives by sharing from the lessons he learned from our past. After having to play the role of parent in my life, he is now getting to explore his own spiritual path. Living at Arms of Hope-Boles Campus has given me so many opportunities and after going through fourteen years of moving from place to place, my sponsor has asked to legally adopt me! Arms of Hope has given me the family that God intended me to have because I know that He has a plan for everything. "All the world's a stage, and all the men and women are merely players. They have their exits and their entrances; and one man in his time plays many parts." – William Shakespeare

Arms of Hope's Sports Ministry Reaches New Levels

This past year, over 300 boys and girls were served through Arms of Hope's Sports Ministry in San Antonio, Houston and Dallas. AOH is blessed to sponsor and provide services to youth football teams and cheerleading squads in each city to children living in impoverished neighborhoods. The year started with Character Camps, where AOH partnered with churches and community organizations to provide children a

Arms of Hope's Dallas Mustangs Character Camp

Arms of Hope's Houston Saints Character Camp

Arms of Hope's San Antonio Raiders Character Camp

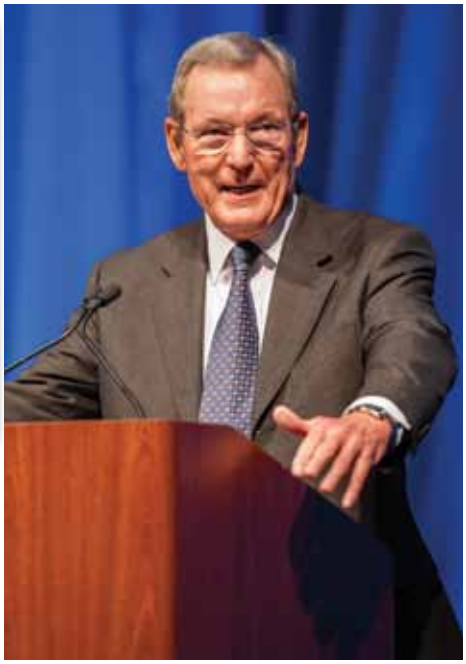
great day of teaching football and cheerleading, but more importantly, Christian character traits to help them in school and with their families. Teaching and devotionals were also provided for the coaching staff to encourage them to make a difference every day in these children's lives. During the season, AOH chaplains attended practices and games and worked with the kids on their faith journey, as well as offering encouragement for students to excel in the classroom and at home. End of the year activities included AOH sponsored Christmas parties and the 2nd Annual Character Bowl. Each city brought their older kids to compete at the Cedar Hill Stadium. The kids were treated with meeting former NFL players, playing in a beautiful turf stadium and receiving love and support from over 100 AOH staff and volunteers.

Mrs. Laura Bush, Former First Lady, Speaks Out About Arms of Hope

"As first lady of the United States, I have seen the poverty of children all over the world in countries like Afghanistan and throughout Africa. Here in the United States organizations like Arms of Hope remind us that it is not just a problem "over there." Right here in our own communities, there are boys and girls who lack even the very basics of food, shelter, love and safety." - Laura Bush

On October 20, 2012, thirteen hundred people gathered for the annual Arms of Hope Reaching Generations Gala in Dallas. Guests enjoyed hearing Former First Lady Laura Bush speak on behalf of Arms of Hope. Dan Branch, Member of the Texas House of Representatives, welcomed the attendees in the Dallas Hilton Anatole ballroom. Wade Hodges gave the invocation and Don Crisp, Arms of Hope board member, reminisced on the wonderful history of Boles and Medina. He announced the opening of Arms of Hope's Duncanville campus and introduced a mom and her daughter who reside at the new campus. Mr. Crisp also spoke about

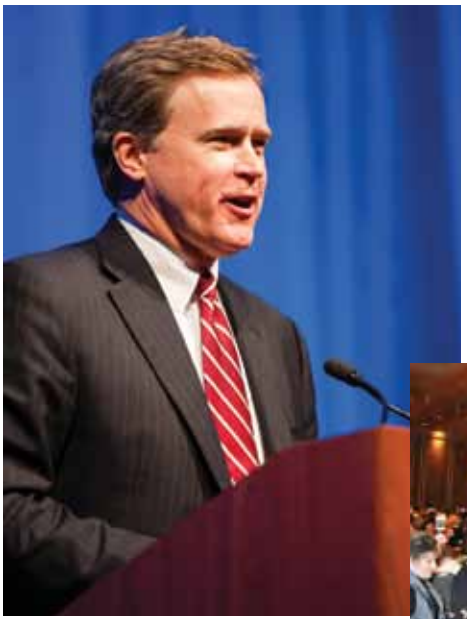
"The problems are great, but greater still is our love for our children and the dedication of many Americans to help our young people succeed. This is the great mission of Arms of Hope. For neglected, abused and abandoned children, Arms of Hope is a home with caring adults. Arms of Hope helps break the negative cycles that children have already experienced in their short lifetime." - Laura Bush



Don Crisp, AOH board member, updated the crowd on Arms of Hope happenings and news.

the recent opening of Arms of Hope's Family Outreach Center in Dallas, which strives to help families in financial stress. Finally, Crisp announced that Arms of Hope's former CEO, Kevin McDonald, had stepped down to have better access to medical care for his daughter, Marlie Ruth, who was born with a brain tumor. Crisp went on to explain that McDonald continues to serve on the Arms of Hope board of directors and his wife, Nathalie, has been newly appointed as Arms of Hope's Chief Development Officer.

The crowd heard stories from residents Michael, Sarah and Julia. Their touching stories helped the audience learn how important not only their support is, but how much their assistance is needed to continue to help at-risk children and single-mother families.



Dan Branch, Member of the Texas House of Representatives welcomed guests at the 2012 Arms of Hope Reaching Generations Gala.

Laura Bush gracefully approached the microphone, where she gave comical updates on her family members, topping it off by stating that Mr. and Mrs. Bush are happy to be back in Texas living what she calls the afterlife in a state that George calls the "promised land!" She was quick to state that she wasn't there to speak about their lives out of the public eye, but instead she was excited to talk about the great organization that all were there to celebrate – Arms of Hope. She explained how "thousands of children have benefited from the care and compassion they have received over the years from Arms of Hope's facilities." She continued to tell the story of Alex and Andrew, two brothers in Arms of Hope's care, who have overcome homelessness, poverty, abuse and neglect. Mrs. Bush stated, "children need to know that they are valued and that someone believes in them and that their success matters. AOH provides children with the compassionate support of caring adults." In her closing remarks, Mrs. Bush asked the audience to consider how they could support the ministries of Arms of Hope. "Volunteer, be a mentor for a child who needs you. Donate household items, clothing and baby items to support single mothers and partner with Arms of Hope by giving generously," encouraged Mrs. Bush. "With your support, Arms of Hope can open their doors to more mothers like Julia and more children, like Sarah, Alex, Andrew and Michael, will know the joy of family in the security of a home. Thanks to the men and women of Arms of Hope for all you do to show the love of Christ. And thank all of you for your commitment to this important work," reminded Mrs. Bush as she completed her remarks.

"My charge to you is really the same charge I've given to myself... to never forget that one friendly smile, one reading lesson, one consoling touch, one check written or one busy hour given over to someone who needs you. These are the things that can quite literally make all of the difference in the world." - Laura Bush

Arms of Hope™

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2012

& ORGANIZATIONAL Goals

MISSION STATEMENT

To transform the lives of disadvantaged children, youth and families by providing hope and support in a nurturing, Christian environment.

VISION STATEMENT

Reaching generations by helping children and families find a future with hope and promise.

Arms of Hope is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit Christian organization that was formed by the consolidation of Medina Children's Home (est. 1958) and Boles Children's Home (est. 1924). This partnership holds over 135 years of combined experience in caring for the financial, physical and emotional needs of children and single-mother families. Although both organizations were originally created to serve as homes for orphans, Arms of Hope has expanded to serve the growing needs of at-risk children and families. Arms of Hope offers residential and outreach programs for children and single-mother families who are fleeing poverty, homelessness, abuse and neglect.

All figures in this report are based on the Fiscal Year from 7/1/11 to 6/30/12.

Arms of Hope is blessed to have a Board of Directors with an incredible level of knowledge to provide strong leadership and guidance for the organization. Under the direction of the board, Arms of Hope's leadership team is in constant pursuit of improving and increasing the support provided to children and single-mother families who are struggling throughout the state of Texas and beyond. All employees are committed to minimizing administrative expenses to save as much as possible for each of Arms of Hope's programs.

Arms of Hope's annual budget is $10 million and the organization depends almost entirely on private donations from generous individuals, corporations, foundations and churches for funding.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jana Woelfel, Chair - Houston, Texas
Bruce Barnard, Vice Chair - Universal City, Texas
Curtis Bedrich, Exec. Committee - Tomball, Texas
Kevin McDonald, Exec. Com. - Bellaire, Texas
Ken Baker, Secretary - Abilene, Texas
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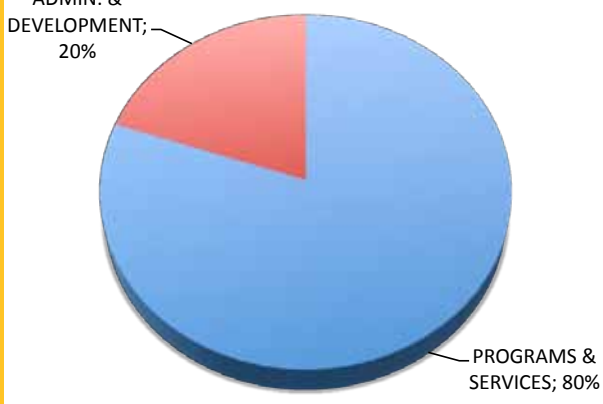
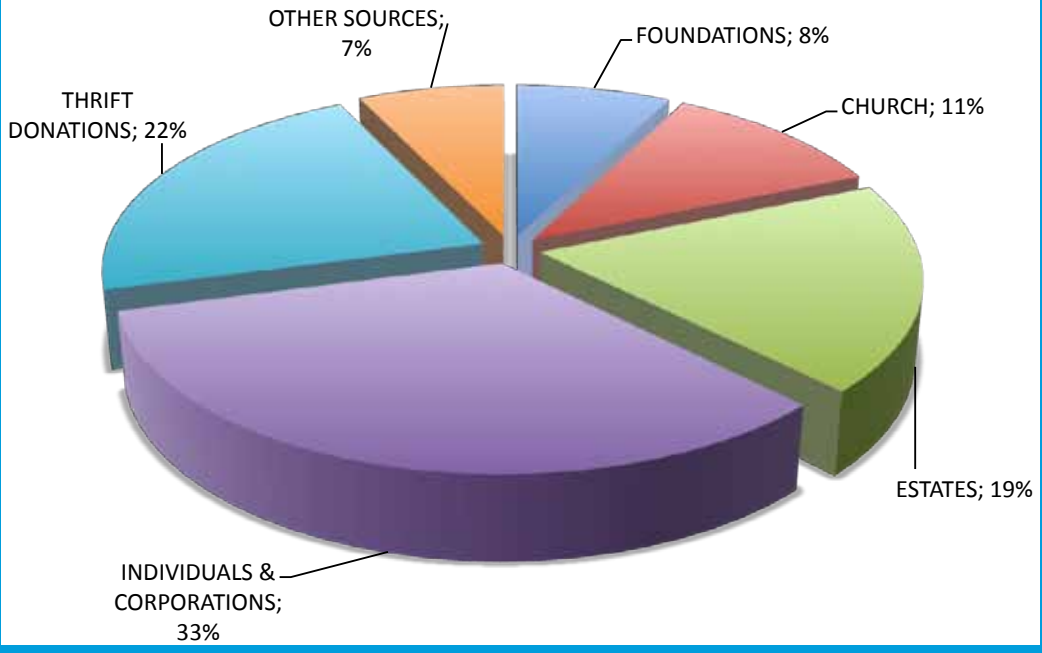
Mike Calvert - Houston, Texas
Jerry Cox - Houston, Texas
Don Crisp - Dallas, Texas
Scot Foith - Plano, Texas
Randy Nicholson - Abilene, Texas
Tom Winkler - Garland, Texas

PROGRAM ALLOCATION

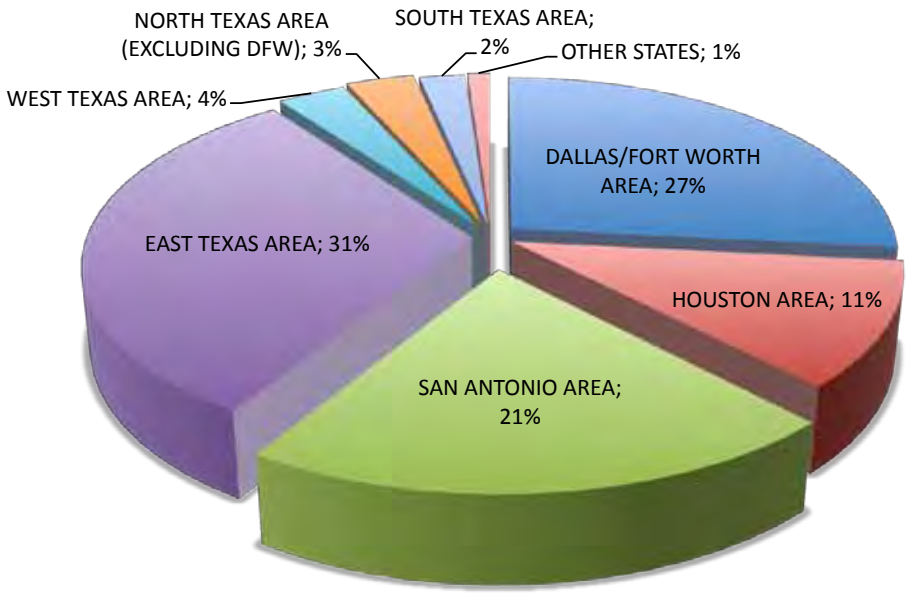


Arms of Hope's largest source of funding comes from caring individuals, businesses and corporations.

INCOME SOURCES

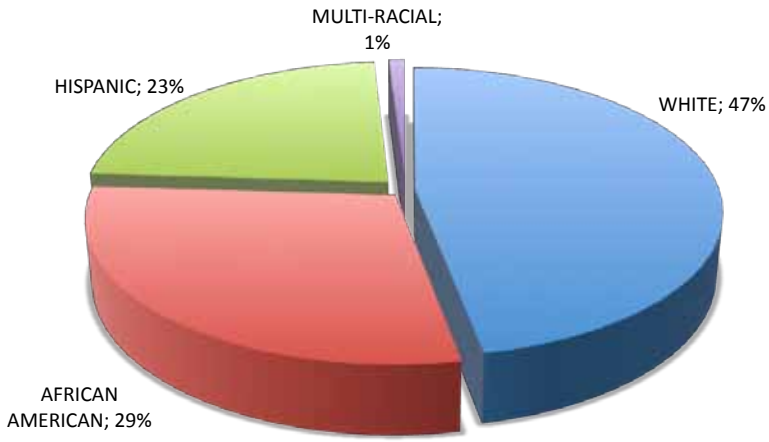


ARMS OF HOPE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS COME FROM VARIOUS LOCATIONS

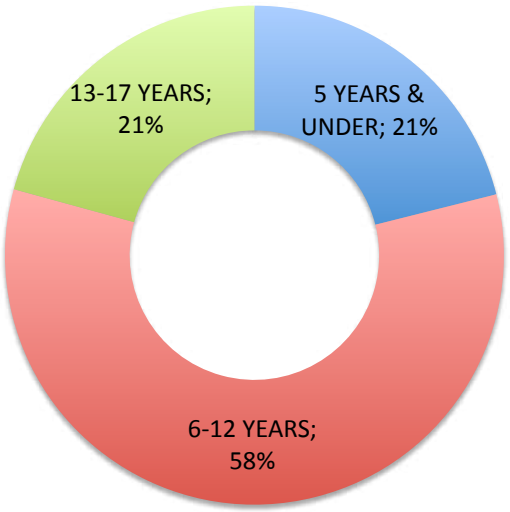


The majority of Arms of Hope's program participants are from Texas and a significant number come from Dallas/Fort Worth, San Antonio, Houston, East Texas and surrounding areas. Individuals of all ethnic backgrounds are welcomed with open arms into Arms of Hope's care. Children and young adults participating in Arms of Hope's programs range in age from birth to early twenties. The largest population of children in Arms of Hope's care are between six and twelve years old. Less than 5% of Arms of Hope's residents come from homes with two parents. Most placements are a result of failed adoptions, grandparents who can no longer take on parental responsibility, single-parent homes

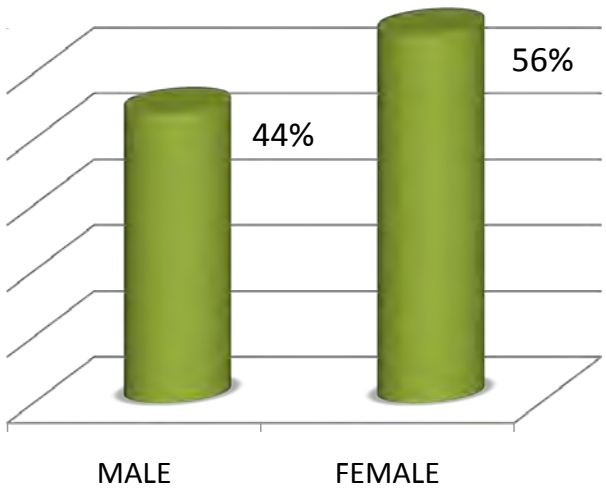
ETHNICITY OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

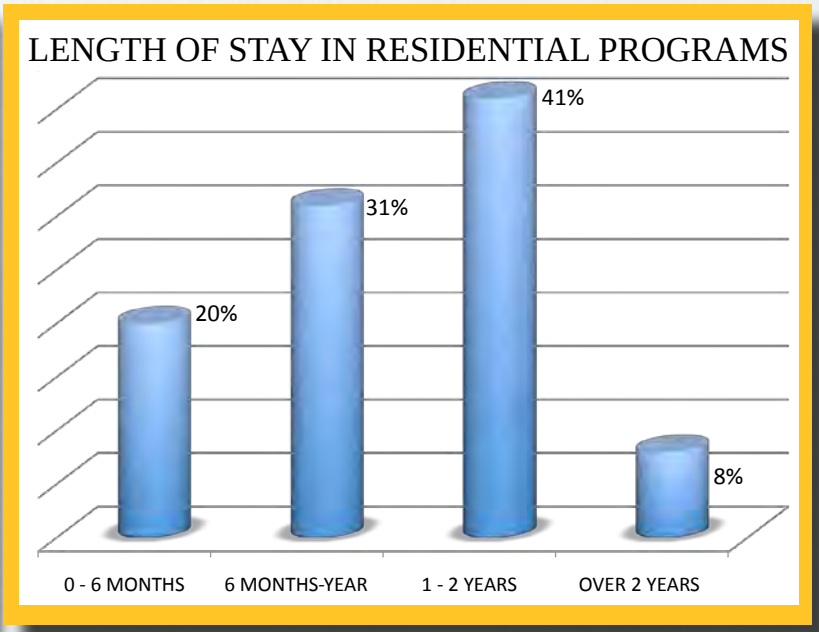


AGE OF CHILDREN IN AOH CARE



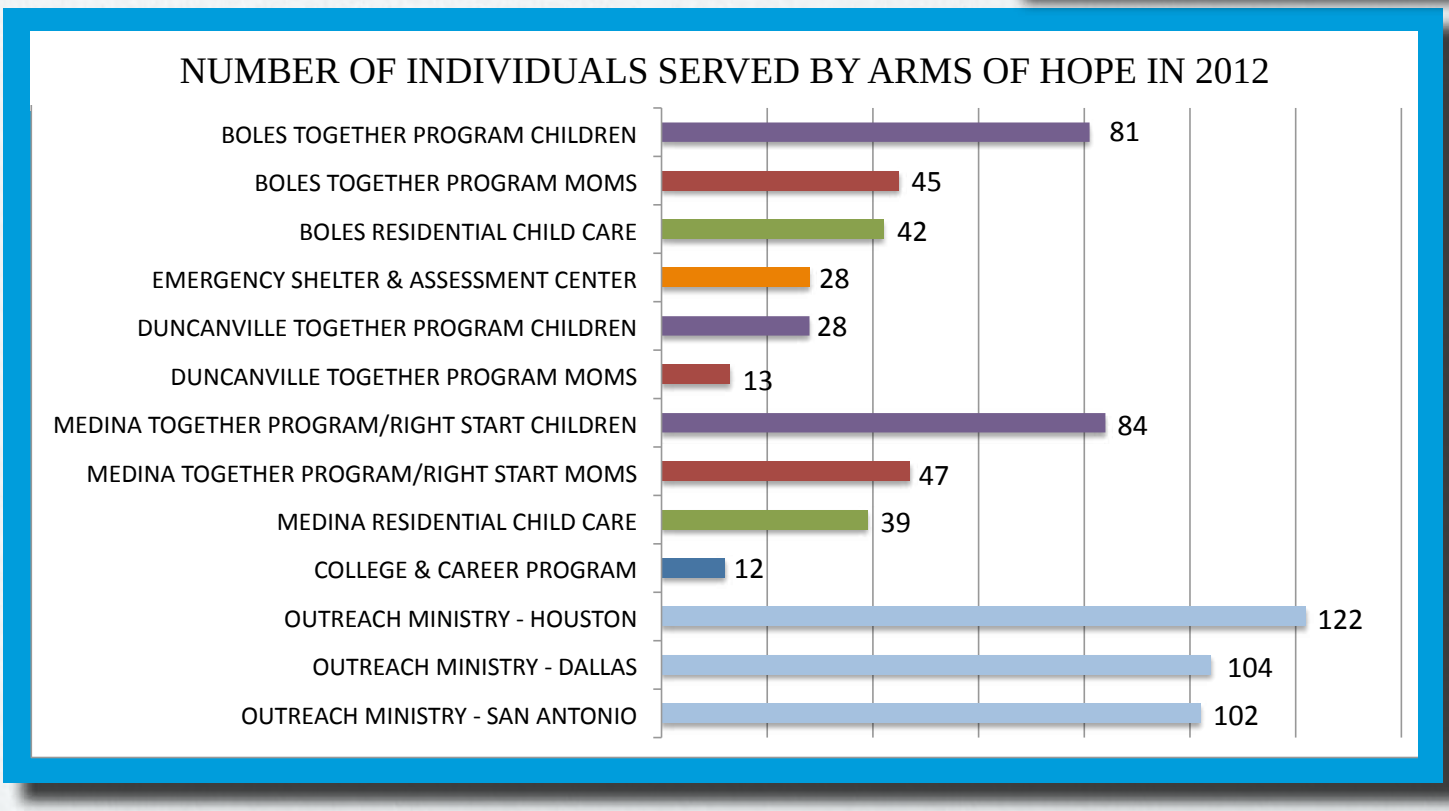
GENDER OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



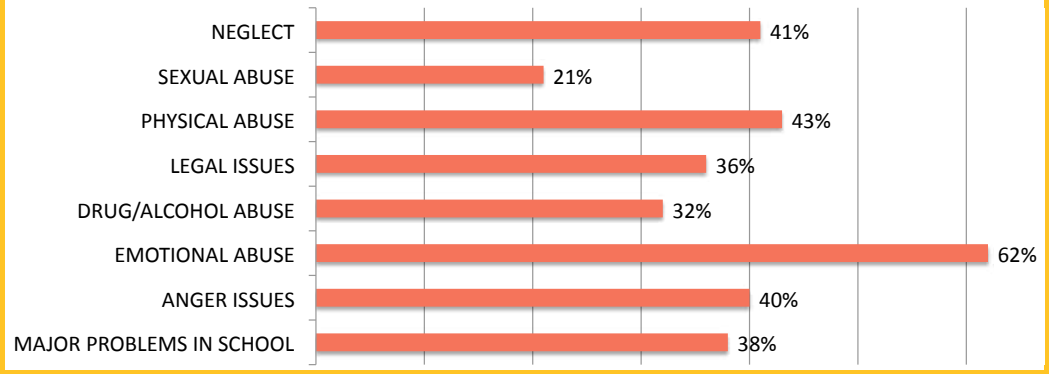


filled with abuse and neglect, or placements by the Juvenile Probation Office. Arms of Hope encourages residents to become successful along their "plan of service." 87% have better grades in school than when they first arrived in Arms of Hope's care. 84% of Arms of Hope's school-aged children participate in extracurricular activities, such as sports, cheerleading, band, FFA, school clubs and scholastic events. 86% of residents from all campus programs either experience positive reunification with their family or graduate from one of Arms of Hope's programs. 100% of the children who come to Arms of Hope with their single mothers are considered to be homeless. Arms of Hope is truly making a difference in the lives of individuals by providing programs to help meet the needs of those who crave hope for a better life.

All campus residents receive professional therapy. In the 2012 Fiscal Year, 5,060 hours of professional therapy were utilized by Arms of Hope residents.



PROBLEM AREAS UPON ADMISSION TO RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS



RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM

In 2012, 48% made "spiritual progress" by seeking spiritual leadership roles on campus and were selected to attend Leadership Camp.

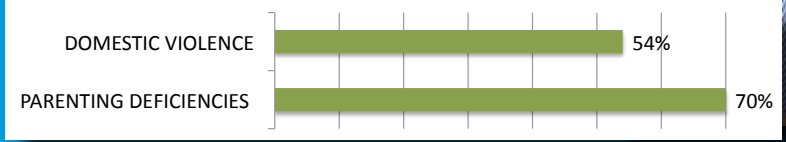
The Residential Child Care Program meets disadvantaged children's physical, emotional, educational and spiritual needs in a warm family-like atmosphere where house parents function as mother and father figures. Residents range in age from 5 to 18 and live in cottages with eight to ten children. Arms of Hope provides for children's basic daily needs including shelter, food, clothing, counseling, supervision and education.

COLLEGE & CAREER PROGRAM

The College and Career Program provides assistance for Arms of Hope high school graduates with support through college, trade school or into their first job and often includes accommodations for graduates who have not yet found a place to call home.

TOGETHER PROGRAM (BOLES, DUNCANVILLE & MEDINA)

PROBLEM AREAS UPON ARRIVAL



The Together Program helps motivated single mothers and their children transition into successful, independent futures by providing counseling, accountability, parenting skills, career training and a home in a peaceful and safe environment. These mothers are fleeing homelessness, domestic violence, abuse or have lost sustainable support when a death, incarceration or divorce have occurred and there are no other means of provision. Arms of Hope has also begun adding urban applications of its Together Program by opening a campus in Duncanville, Texas, and has plans to open additional Together Program campuses in other urban areas across the state.

OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Outreach Program provides assistance to underprivileged youth in their own neighborhoods, which are some of the most financially distressed areas in Texas communities including San Antonio, Dallas and Houston. Arms of Hope hosts youth events featuring inspirational speakers and sponsors Christian-based sports teams, which provide the opportunity to mentor and build positive relationships with at-risk children.

The Family Outreach Program connects underprivileged families seeking assistance with necessities including food, clothing, financial assistance and counseling until they are stabilized in a residential program.

ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS FOR 2013

· Increase number of children and families served.

· Raise awareness of programs offered to assist children and families in distress to cultivate and increase the number of individuals, churches and corporations financially supporting the mission and work of Arms of Hope.

· Improve and increase services and assistance provided to children and families in need residing in urban distressed neighborhoods through Arms of Hope Outreach programs.

· Increase utilization of facilities on Medina Campus through expansion of Day Care capacity.

· Offer additional opportunities for spiritual development for participants in Arms of Hope programs.

· Improve and increase educational resources for residential program participants.

In 2012, Arms of Hope hosted 58 different volunteer groups, 1,600 people and 24,416 volunteer hours! Arms of Hope is so thankful for its volunteers.

RIGHT START PROGRAM

The Right Start Program helps expectant single mothers prepare for motherhood while providing shelter, necessities and skills needed to care for their newborn babies. It serves as an entry point for women coming into the Together Program who desire to be a parent and learn how to establish a healthy family environment for their children.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Volunteer - Arms of Hope welcomes over fifty groups per year. To bring your group to Arms of Hope, please inquire online at ***ArmsofHope.org***.

Monetary Donations - All general donations support the programs of care provided by Arms of Hope and can be one time gifts or can be scheduled as reoccurring gifts. Donate online at ***ArmsofHope.org.***

Planned Giving - Discover new ways to make a gift that also takes into consideration your personal circumstances and the needs of your heirs including Wills, Charitable Gift Annuities, Charitable Remainder Trusts and Charitable Lead Trusts, etc. Explore the value of charitable gifts that require a little thought, but pay off in big benefits to you, your family and Arms of Hope. Send inquiries to ***PlannedGiving@ArmsofHope.org.***

Scholarships - Many of the children and single-mother families we care for have the desire, ability and need to further their education. Sometimes the only missing ingredient is the necessary resources. You can help Arms of Hope make certain no one in our care is ever deprived of quality education by providing funding for scholarships for our residents.

Sponsor a Child or Family in Our Care - Taking care of essential needs like clothing, food, school supplies and household items is essential. The children and families in our care benefit immensely when you show you care by financially supporting the procurement of items essential to them. Sponsorship programs are available for all giving levels.

Learn more at *ArmsofHope.org*

Arms of Hope Happenings

Two 8th grade residents from the Boles campus were selected as Academic All-Stars and were recognized for having positive attitudes.- Jasamine Arnold (second from left) and Grace Mills (fifth from left).

In November, the Together Program from the Medina Campus participated in a Mad Hatter Tea Party. The party was organized by the Connect Ministry of the Kerrville Church of Christ.

Brandi Giles was presented the "Courage Eagle Award" by her caseworker, Amber O'Guinn. Boles Alumni give the award quarterly to a mom in the Together Program who is learning to "soar" above her past and reach new heights!

In October, the Medina Campus had thirty runners participate in the Salvation Army Kroc Center Pumpkin Run 5K. Some from our group even ran in full costume! Afterwards, they presented the awards to the winners of the race, as well as the winners of the costume contest. Some of our residents placed in their age category of the race and in the costume contest!

Last June, the Summer Singers from Oklahoma Christian University blessed the Medina Campus by putting on a concert for our residents. The Summer Singers include eight OC students, who spend their summer traveling around the United States performing at camps, youth rallies and other special events. They perform a mix of rock, country, and pop music for all ages.

Arms of Hope always respects our residents' cultural heritage and recently hosted a Quincenera (15th birthday celebration) for Sarah. Family and friends joined together to share a meal and gathered for a reception for this birthday "princess," who has overcome adversity in her short lifetime.

As part of life skills training at Arms of Hope, Boles Campus maintenance mechanic, Jon Bacon, taught Together Program moms about preventative car care. Moms learned the basics of caring for cars and performing routine maintenance checks, which are applicable skills for life after completing the program.

Arms of Hope residents are actively involved in multiple sports in their schools. We value the concepts of discipline, teamwork and integrity that athletics offers. AOH employees support the kids by encouraging participation and attending practices and games. We are so proud of all of our athletes!

ACU Students Return To Medina One Year After Bus Tragedy

Abilene Christian University's agricultural department arrived at Arms of Hope – Medina Campus on October 12, 2012. They were an amazing blessing to our campus in the short weekend they were here. While they were here, they worked in our commissary organizing inventory, helped clean out pens for our kids participating in the Bandera Stock Show and helped decorate mums for our kids' homecoming. Here at Arms of Hope, we would like to thank Emmett Miller for bringing this group of students and adults to our campus. We appreciate your hard work and willingness to serve. This group was an extra special blessing, as they came one year after the terrible crash that claimed the life of Anabel Reid.

Arms of Hope is Thankful for its Campus Volunteers!

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Houston Benefit Gala

Pictured above: Julia Truesdell (Together Program resident), Ron Hall (Guest Speaker), Sarah Gilbert (Residential Child Care resident) and Michael Weisinger (College & Career resident).

Saturday, November 3, 2012, was an inspiration filled evening at the Hilton Americas – Houston. Approximately 300 people enjoyed an evening filled with great food, unique silent auction packages and heartfelt stories shared by residents of Arms of Hope. Ron Hall, New York Times bestselling author of "Same Kind of Different As Me," ended the festive evening as our keynote speaker.

Austin Golf Tournament

Rodney Firth, Blake St. John and Austin Firth (pictured above) joined over 60 golfers on Monday, November 12, 2012, for a wonderful day of golf on the beautiful greens at Avery Ranch Golf Club. This was the first annual Austin Charity Golf Tournament. Join us on November 4, 2013, for this year's tournament.

San Antonio Golf Tournament

The cool weather only added to the wonderful day of golf enjoyed by almost 100 golfers on Monday, October 29, 2012, at the Hyatt Hill Country Resort and Spa. We invite you to enjoy a day of great food, snacks and prizes on Monday, October 28, 2013.

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Farewell to Boles Alum, Mary Nell Wininger Randolf

Top row (left to right): Audrey, Aileene, Hazel; Middle row: Bud and Dickie; Bottom row: Doree, Mary Nell, Alva Jean and Joanne

Mary Nell Wininger Randolf passed away November 7, 2012. She was born in Midelle, Oklahoma in 1930, and she entered Boles when she was two years old. She was a resident of Boles Home from 1932-1948. Mary Nell lived at Boles through high school and then attended Abilene Christian College.

Mary Nell was one of seven sisters and two brothers. The oldest three of the seven siblings struggled to keep their family together after the death of their father. All siblings except Mary Nell's oldest brother and two sisters lived at Boles Home.

After college, Mary Nell moved to Dallas for work and married Harold L. Harris in 1951. She had four children: Timothy, Lori, Lisa and Brian. In 1981, Mary Nell married David Randolf.

Mary Nell enjoyed traveling, decorating her homes, gardening, playing bridge, gourmet cooking, choir music, butterflies, everything related to the holidays and the color red. Mary Nell often came back to visit Boles Home and enjoyed helping support the place she called home for sixteen years.

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Margaret Reaves of San Antonio passed away on September 13, 2012. Margaret began her support of Medina Children's Home in the 70's by holding jewelry parties to earn enough money to fund the construction of Fenton Cottage, which was named for her mother on the Medina Campus. Her husband Charles planted the pecan orchard on the Medina Campus. They were some of the earliest supporters of Medina Children's Home, and borrowed money to buy a couple of head of cattle for beef to feed our children. Margaret was a wonderful friend and servant. She has helped Christian organizations for many years. She also hosted an annual "White Elephant" auction at Christmas for AOH.

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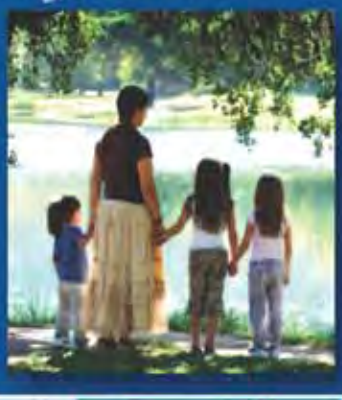

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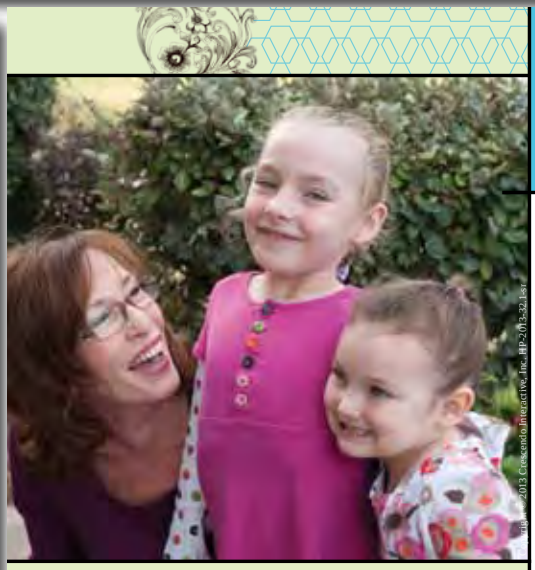

IMPORTANT TAX NEWS

THE IRA ROLLOVER HAS BEEN CONTINUED *for* 2013!

THE IRA ROLLOVER IS HERE!

As part of the fiscal cliff law, Congress reauthorized the IRA rollover for 2013. This means that if you are 70½ or older you can make a charitable gift of up to $100,000 from your IRA. Your gift will qualify for your 2013 required minimum distribution and you will not have to pay federal income tax on the amount given from your IRA to charity.

Contact us to learn more about how you can use some of your unneeded IRA dollars to support Arms of Hope's important work in 2013 - plannedgiving@armsofhope.org

Thank you for supporting Arms of Hope and for making a difference in the lives of those who have endured homelessness, abuse and neglect.

Every year, over 50 Arms of Hope residents attend Christian summer camps. These camps are sponsored by multiple churches and provide such an inspiration and encouragement that truly make a difference for our precious children. For many, they make the first decision in their faith journey and for all, they are strengthened and uplifted to change their lives for the better. This year, AOH has an opportunity to send even more children to camp, but we need your help!

If you would like to sponsor a child to attend a Christian camp this summer, please contact Troy Robertson - trobertson@armsofhope.org.

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