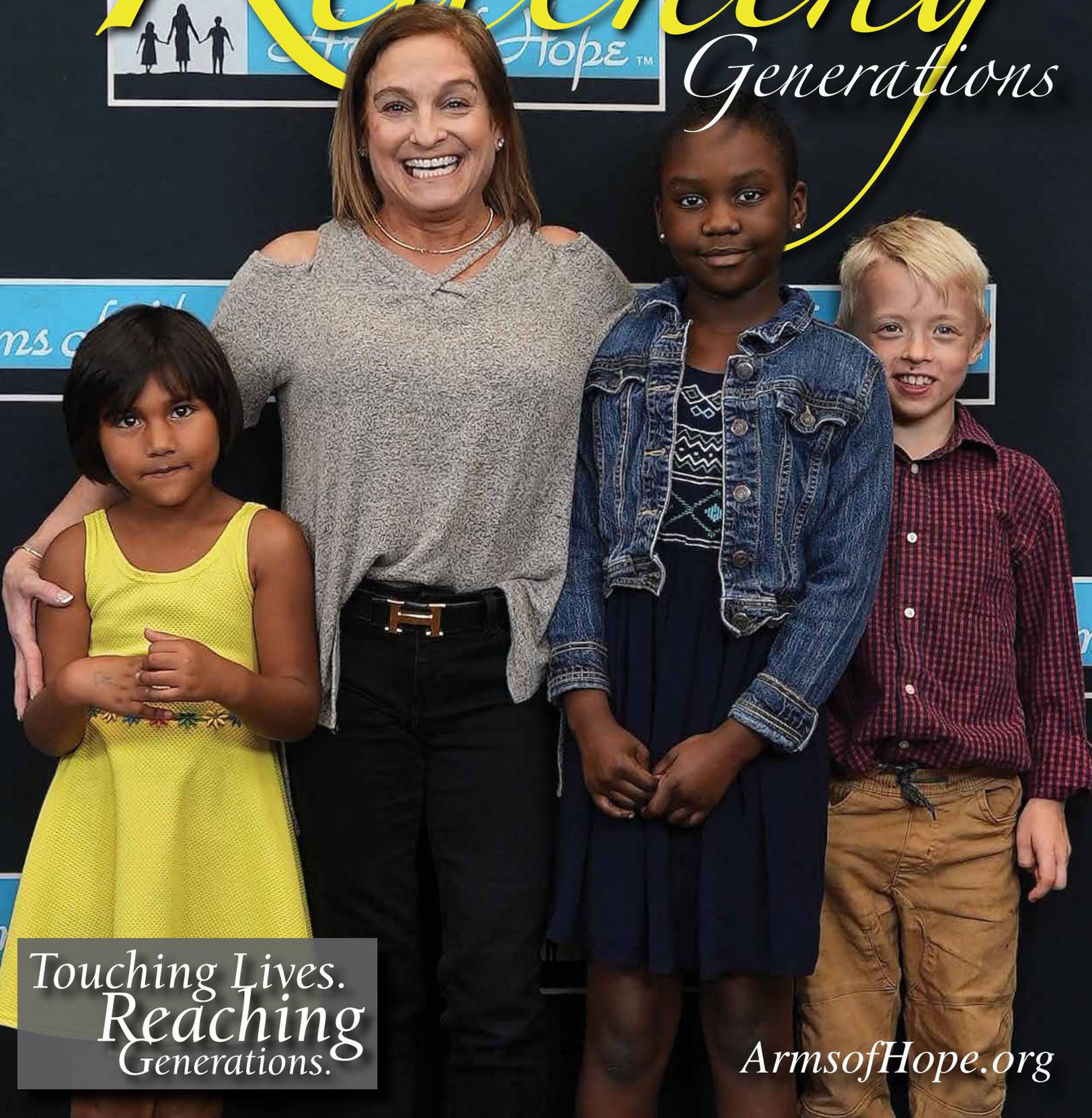




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Letter from the President and CEO

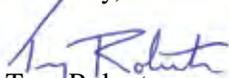


“In all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.” Romans 8:37

Dear Friends,

My wife Bonnie and I are always praying and working hard to raise our boys to be “Wild at Heart” and to prepare them to be leaders in the community and their own families someday. They have now reached the age where I feel comfortable showing them some of the all-time great “Wild at Heart” movies from long ago, at least long ago in my mind! The list includes Braveheart, Last of the Mohicans, The Patriot, and of course, the one that we absolutely had to start with... Gladiator. I have always thought of conquerors as being strong men who lead armies and are ready to fight at a moment’s notice. They definitely can be that, but I also see a different type of conqueror each day at Arms of Hope. For example, whether it’s Covid or Snowvid, the way children always have child-like faith, smiles on their faces and positive attitudes serves as a great lesson for us “mature” adults today. Or it’s the joy of graduating high school seniors who thought they couldn’t do it, and now possess the hope and excitement for futures filled with promise. Or it’s single mothers who come to us from homelessness, abuse, trafficking and now have been truly changed through their case manager, counselor and ministry staff support and guidance. Or it’s the College & Career young adult who is the first in their family to graduate with a bachelor’s degree. Or it’s the families brave enough to ask for help at our outreach centers and just need a hand-up. Or it’s the ultimate, our residents who realize that “Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate them from the love of God that is Jesus,” and they choose to become followers of the conqueror of sin and death. So with all due respect to William Wallace, Benjamin Martin and even Maximus, I’ll continue to teach my boys that the residents of Arms of Hope are the real conquerors. Thank you so much for your generosity that God uses through this ministry to help and serve those most desperate in need. This magazine is a gift to you, our loyal donors and volunteers, and we want you to celebrate with us another year of God performing miracles in this ministry!

Sincerely,


Troy Robertson
President & CEO

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). In addition to Arms of Hope’s residential facilities, Family Outreach Centers in San Antonio, Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth and Houston assist individuals and families in need throughout Texas. Arms of Hope offers residential and outreach programs for children and single-mother families who are fleeing poverty, homelessness, abuse, neglect and human trafficking.



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A great way to recycle
your usable clothes,
furniture and
household items
to help Arms of Hope.

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How can you help?

General Donations - All general donations support the programs of care provided by Arms of Hope and can be one time gifts or can be scheduled to automatically recur monthly, quarterly or annually.

Honors & Memorials - Donations can be contributed as a memorial or to honor a friend or relative. The donor and the recipient or family will receive an acknowledgement.

Gift-In-Kind Donations - Your gifts of gently used clothing and household items are either used in our programs or sold, dependent on current needs. Proceeds from the sale of donated items help fund Arms of Hope programs. To schedule a pick-up or identify drop-off locations, please visit RecycleForChildren.org.

Stock/Equity Gifts - Make a gift of stocks or equities and learn how you can gain even greater tax advantages with these gifts.

Matching Gifts - Ask your employer to determine if matching funds are available. This is a great way to make your gift go even further with no additional personal cost.

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.

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

Sponsor a Child or Family in Our Care - Sponsorships may include Christmas gifts, a birthday surprise or simply taking care of essential needs like clothing, food, school supplies and household items. Arms of Hope children and families benefit immensely when you show you care by financially supporting the procurement of essential items. Sponsorship programs are available for all giving levels.

Livestock Donations - Livestock may be processed for food or converted to cash.

Vehicle Gifts - Donate a running vehicle that is in good condition. We can use everything from cars and minivans for the transportation of the children and families in our care to trucks and trailers for use in the maintenance and upkeep of our facilities and operations.

Wish List - Check out our wish list at ArmsOfHope.org for gift ideas based on our current needs including food, personal care items, household furnishings and other essential items necessary for providing for the children and families we serve.

Bringing Joy to the Boles Campus



The Harbison Family, their friends and the staff and residents of the Boles Campus celebrated the grand opening of the Joy Haven Duplex. These beautiful three bedroom two bath homes will provide housing for single-mother families in the Together Program. The Together Program provides shelter, food and clothing for the mothers and their children while the families receive case management, counseling, spiritual support and educational opportunities. These courageous families are fleeing extreme poverty, homelessness and abuse and a safe and beautiful home is the first step towards healing and change. Between the Boles and Medina Campuses, these are the sixteenth and seventeenth homes the Harbisons have provided for our families in desperate need.

Dale Harbison, who also leads Arms of Hope as a Board Member, shared at the celebration, "Amy and I are very excited about the opening of Joy Haven on the Boles Campus as another milestone in the exciting things that are happening at Arms of Hope. We first became interested in the Together Program in 2006. The program fills a dire need in the lives of these moms and their children by providing them the resources to increase their education and job skills while providing housing, food, clothing, counseling and parenting skills in a nurturing, safe Christian environment. As we have listened to these moms and watched their progress through this program, what we have seen has been truly amazing in how the lives of them and their children have been changed and transformed. Listening to

these ladies' stories and their gratitude for this program and the opportunity afforded to them will make you shout for joy, praise the Lord and want to do more! We chose the name Joy Haven because of the joy that will be brought into the lives of these precious moms and their children as they rebuild their lives through this program and become faithful servants of God. The strength of their faith will determine how successful they are in reaching their goals and being able to take care of themselves and their children." He also asked those in attendance to remember the words of Isaiah 41:10: "Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you with my righteous right hand." ■



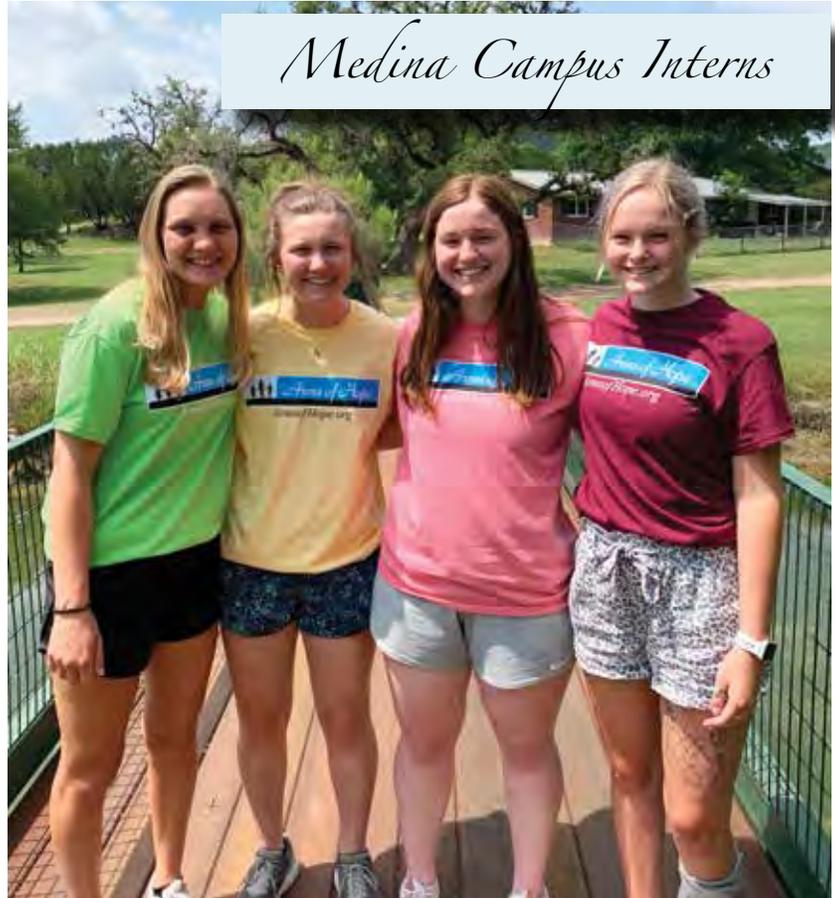
Arms of Hope interns led devotionals and Bible studies, organized activities, chaperoned children and showed the love of Jesus to all of the residents of Arms of Hope!

Kimmie (left) is studying missions and she volunteered at Arms of Hope while in high school. “I have loved getting to serve and love on the kids and the moms,” said Kimmie.

Sara Grace (middle left) is a social work major at Abilene Christian University. “I would do anything to see the kids’ smiles light up their faces and I can’t wait to see what God has in store for the rest of their time at AOH,” exclaimed Sara Grace.

Kaylyn (middle right) is a sophomore Accounting and Nonprofit Management major at Oklahoma State University. She’s served Arms of Hope-Medina Campus for three years. Kaylyn remembers, “Medina has held a special place in my heart since the first time I stepped foot on campus.”

Hannah (right) is a Missions major at Lubbock Christian University. “I was incredibly blessed to be an intern here and I am so excited to continue to see what God does through Arms of Hope,” stated Hannah.



Medina Campus Interns

Boles Campus Interns



Landry (left) is finishing his degree in Social Work/Ministry. He came to the Boles Campus to step out of his comfort zone and be bold in his faith. He stated, “This job can be difficult, but it is worth it just seeing the smiles on these kid’s faces!”

Katie (middle) is a Sociology major at Texas A&M University in College Station. She had the privilege to work at the Boles Campus last summer and immediately knew she wanted to come back. “The Lord is present in this place, and it has truly been an honor to serve and love the people here,” recalls Katie.

Rachel (right) is a senior Family Studies major at Lubbock Christian University who loves spending time with kids and listening to what they have to say. She said, “AOH is a perfect combination of the two and the love here is so evident!”

AOH Graduates



Medina Campus
High School Graduates

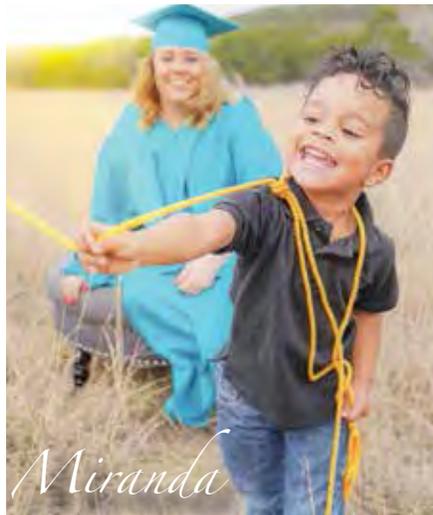


Sapphire

Sapphire on the Boles Campus earned her high school diploma and now will focus on her associate degree and her bachelor's degree. There is no doubt that this amazing mother will continue reaching her goals to help her sweet family succeed in life!

Educational Accomplishments in Fiscal Year 2021

6 High School Graduates
28 GEDs & Educational Cert.
1,727 completed college hours
8 Associates Degrees
7 Bachelors Degrees



Miranda

Miranda graduated with an associate degree and is now working on a Bachelor of Science. She will make an amazing teacher!



Ashlee

Ashlee on the Boles Campus received her cosmetology license. Way to go Ashlee!



Emily

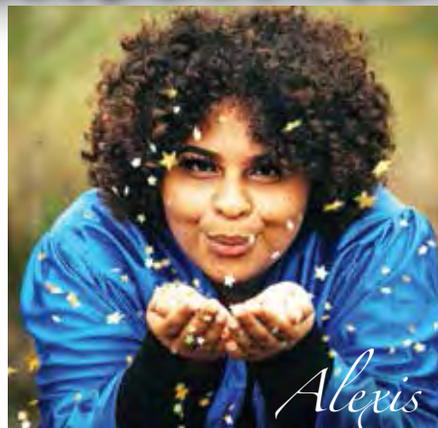
Emily on the Boles Campus achieved her associate degree and now will be working on her bachelor's degree in English from Texas A&M-Commerce.

Congratulations to Arms



Taylor

Taylor graduated from Medina High School and will be serving our country in the Marines.



Alexis

Alexis graduated from Medina High School and will join the Boles Campus College & Career Program. Alexis says, "This place is just different and special. Arms of Hope gives you a home when you have no home."



Carra

Carra in the Medina Campus College & Career Program graduated from Schreiner University with her bachelor's degree in Public Health.



Brittany

Brittany, an amazing mother of three wonderful boys on the Medina Campus, graduated with her bachelor's degree in Psychology.



Michelle

Michelle graduated with an associate degree! This wonderful mother in Denton is enrolling in the University of North Texas to work on her bachelor's degree and continues to mentor other moms in the Together Program.



Ashanti

Ashanti graduated from Medina High School and is joining the College & Career Program. Ashanti says, "I am so grateful to have this place in my life. It has shown me what it really means to be a Christian. Without Arms of Hope I would be lost."



Alyssa

Congratulations Alyssa on the Medina Campus for graduating from Cosmetology School!



Jenny

Jenny on the Medina Campus earned an associate degree in Education! This amazing mother says: "Arms of Hope has provided me with all the tools I needed to reach my goals."



Kelly

Kelly worked so hard and completed her GED! She is now working on her dream of being a licensed chemical dependency counselor.

Arms of Hope's Graduates



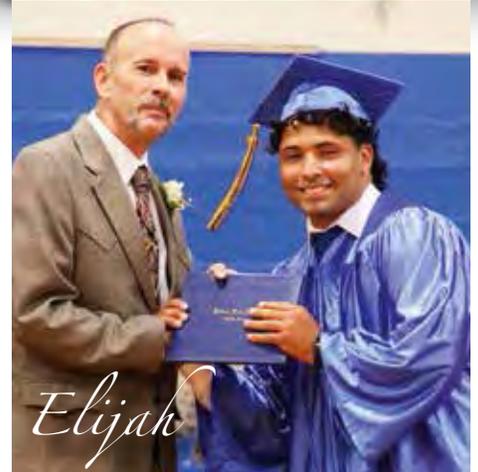
Jessica

Jessica on the Medina Campus graduated with her Associate Degree of Applied Science and will be an amazing Medical Technician.



Kisha

We're proud of Kisha for completing her associate degree! This sweet mom on the Boles Campus is now on to Texas A&M-Commerce and nursing school. There is no doubt she has what it takes to succeed!



Elijah

Elijah graduated from Medina High School and is joining the College & Career Program. Elijah says, "I want to be different from my family's failure and I will make it happen because I want to succeed."



Glenda

Glenda, an amazing mother on the Medina Campus, graduated from University of Texas-Permian Basin with her bachelor's in Psychology. We are so proud of Glenda and excited for her family's future!



Tara

Congratulations all of our Medina Campus graduates from Christian Women's Job Corps. Tara's daughter is so proud of her!



Dejanique

Dajanique from the Medina Campus received her GED and is now enrolled in college.

To contact us about supporting our educational programs, please e-mail: Scholarship@ArmsOfHope.org



Jessica

Jessica from the Medina Campus graduated from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi with her bachelor's degree.



Eden

Eden graduated from Christian Women's Job Corps and now has a great job in Kerrville that provides for her family!



Amber

Amber from our Boles Campus graduated with her associate degree in Nursing! She will now continue her journey in the Nursing Program at Texas A&M-Commerce.

A close-up portrait of Alexis, a young woman with voluminous, curly brown hair. She is smiling gently and looking slightly to the right. She is wearing a dark-colored top and a silver chain necklace. A small white flower is tucked into her hair on the right side. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green and brown.

*Resident
Spotlight -
Alexis*

*“Arms of Hope
is your home
when you have
no home.”
-Alexis*

Residential Child Care Program

My name is Alexis, I'm 17 years old and would be in jail if it wasn't for Arms of Hope-Medina Campus. I didn't have the best relationship with my family growing up. I never knew who my dad was and my mom did her best, but she struggled with showing me affection. I grew up extremely poor and I experienced emotional, physical and sexual abuse. My mom died of cancer when I was 11 years old and my stepdad brought in a new girlfriend only two days later. I lived with my cousin until two years ago, but then it became obvious I needed something more. I came to Arms of Hope in 2019 and felt safe and loved. My house parents

hold me accountable, but don't yell or hurt me. They are what good parents should be. I love the devotionals with our Campus Minister. He explains the Bible on my level, but treats me like an adult. He loves Jesus with all of his heart and shows me unconditional love. The weekly counseling is life changing and my counselor is amazing! I can pour out my heart, yell or cry and she still is a safe place. She doesn't make fun of me or think my thoughts are stupid. She notices when I'm hurting and then helps me heal from my past abuse. I love that I got to come to this ministry and make new friends from all over the state. This place is just dif-

ferent and special. I graduated from Medina High School and now I'm in the College & Career Program on the Boles Campus to be closer to my remaining family in the Fort Worth area. I will fulfill my dream of graduating from Cosmetology School. I want to tell all donors of Arms of Hope how much I appreciate you giving a place for children to get out of bad situations. There's structure to show how a family should be, I've worked out bad habits and grown emotionally and spiritually. Arms of Hope is your home when you have no home. ■



*Resident
Spotlight -
Carra*

*“This amazing program helped me finish my degree and save for my future.”
-Carra*

College & Career Program

My name is Carra Gillaspay and I graduated from Schreiner University with a Bachelor's Degree in Public Health with a minor in management. I wouldn't have made this accomplishment without Arms of Hope. I grew up in Medina and my parents divorced when I was in 5th grade. I lived with my mom in a single parent household. I am the youngest of three, so it was a financial hardship on my mother. My dad was very supportive of my sports and school, but didn't help very much financially. We had a place to live and food to eat, but it was not always easy. I tried to go to college, but would come back to Medina each weekend to waitress. It was my only

income while taking sixteen hours. I was the only one paying for my living expenses. I did not have insurance and had to pay out of pocket for each of my medical appointments. I also had to pay for my own food. I even worked in the Currey Learning Center on the Medina Campus to make ends meet. I tried to continue my dreams of college by living with my sister in Medina while commuting to San Antonio up to three times a week. In September of 2019, I no longer had a place to live and was going to have to put it on hold or more likely give up on my dream of being a college graduate. I decided to apply for the Arms of Hope College & Career

program and it changed my life when I was accepted! Everyone was so welcoming on campus. This was such a blessing and it would have been impossible to go to school and provide for my basic needs without this ministry. This amazing program helped me finish my degree and save for my future. I loved the other girls that lived with me in the Fox Center for College & Career and the Minister and his wife were always so welcoming and kind at our devotionals on campus. A huge thank you to all the generous donors that make this ministry possible. I wish I would have found the program sooner; it has blessed me beyond measure. ■



*Together Program
Spotlight-
Fritzie*

***“Arms of Hope has given me the faith, courage and resources to provide a future for me and my baby girl.”
- Fritzie***

Together Program

All good songs have a good chorus, a refrain that echoes over and over. For Fritzie, her echo has told her time and time again, “God has got me here, He’s not going to drop me now.” Fritzie’s journey to Arms of Hope started in a pregnancy center, in a sacred moment where she found out from the sonogram “It’s a girl.” A church member helped her with a hotel, but Fritzie knew her daughter deserved better. She even thought that her daughter, Mia, might be better off without her. Thank God he kept putting that chorus in her mind and she kept fighting for her family. Fritzie looked for help, but sadly so many organizations had to shut down in 2020 due to the pandemic. She then found out about Arms of Hope. She vividly remembers her first conversation with the Boles Campus Intake Coordinator and the extreme sense of relief when

she found out this ministry was still helping people during the pandemic. Fritzie entered Arms of Hope over a year ago. She remembers meeting new people, new moms and feeling an overwhelming peace, as God sang to her heart “I’ve got you here, I’m not going to drop you now.” Fritzie’s growth has not been just physical, but a deeper spiritual journey as well. Before coming to Arms of Hope, she knew God, but has now grown deeper and stronger in her relationship with him through the spiritual programs offered on campus. She joyfully says:

“Arms of Hope has given me the faith, courage, and resources to provide a future for me and my baby girl. Arms of Hope has allowed me to be a better mom for Mia because I am able to achieve my goals and be more present

with her. I enjoy the devotional times with the Campus Minister and my counselor pouring hope into me. I believe my daughter’s success is tied with mine and I now have great hope for the future for both of us. My career path started with entry into an extremely competitive sonography program that only accepts twelve people per year. I will complete my associates degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography in 2022. I hope to someday purchase my own home and for Mia to attend college and pursue her own dreams.”

Fritzie will use her career path to minister to other girls in the same position that she was in and share with them the song that got her through the storm, “God has gotten you here, and He will not drop you now.” ■

Family Outreach Centers

“I was feeling unaccomplished and ashamed of my mistakes but my caseworker did not make me feel ashamed or discredited me. She did the opposite. She made me feel important!” - Kelly

FOC Spotlight- Kelly

My name is Kelly and I am a single mother of four in San Antonio. I have two young boys that reside with me and two adult children that live on their own. Being a single mother is difficult and creates challenges such as finding affordable housing for a family of three. I was homeless and stayed with friends for a couple of months. Then, I found an apartment that was willing to work with my income and I was approved for a one-bedroom apartment. The apartment was small and my boys slept in the living room on bunk beds. The struggle was real and our living situation had its challenges, but it was all that I could afford at the time. I live on a limited budget due to my disabilities that prevent me from attaining full-time employment. During the winter months, I was in need of a coat and

my son's school referred me to Arms of Hope. I entered the Arms of Hope program because of just a coat and now have found so much more! I was feeling unaccomplished and ashamed of my mistakes but my caseworker did not make me feel ashamed or discredit me. She did the opposite; she made me feel important! She helped me to see that God was still with me and that He had not forsaken or left me and with God's love and strength, I can do all things. Arms of Hope has been in my corner from the time I entered the program. They generously provided half of the deposit to help me move into my two-bedroom apartment. This was such a blessing to me. Without the assistance I would have not been able to attain the much needed space and my two young boys would still be sleeping in

the living room. Arms of Hope has also provided clothing and food for my family. My caseworker has encouraged and guided me through the preparation and recovery of a necessary surgery as well as supported me as I attained my goal of purchasing a vehicle. She helped me grow spiritually and regain my self-worth. I am now budgeting, have a savings account, and have successfully quit smoking after 25 years. Life feels worthy and fulfilled and I know that God will continue to give me the strength to grow and to continue to accomplish all the goals that I have set for myself and my family. I want to say thank you to Arms of Hope. I am blessed to have you in my life. ■



Annual Report



ORGANIZATIONAL
Goals

We haven't let Covid
keep us down!

Sometime life turns you upside down,
so you can learn to live, right side up!

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 160 years of combined experience in caring for the physical, emotional, educational and spiritual 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, neglect and human trafficking.

The Board of Directors of Arms of Hope operates with a high level of commitment to provide leadership, guidance and finances for the organization. Under the mentorship of the board, Arms of Hope's leadership team is in constant pursuit of improving program quality and increasing the number of poverty stricken and desperate children and single-mother families that we serve throughout the state of Texas and beyond. All employees are committed and directed to limiting administrative expenses and follow a detailed and well thought out line-item budget to ensure that every donor dollar is spent to best benefit our residents.

Arms of Hope's annual budget is \$8 million and the organization depends almost entirely on private monetary and clothing donations from generous individuals, corporations, foun-

MISSION STATEMENT

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

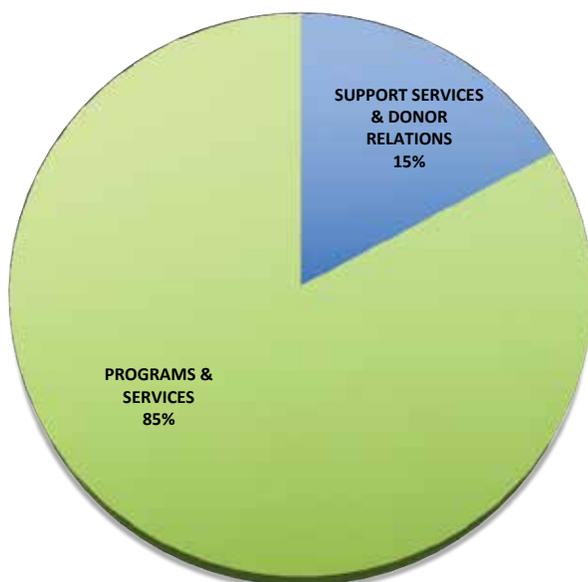
VISION STATEMENT

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

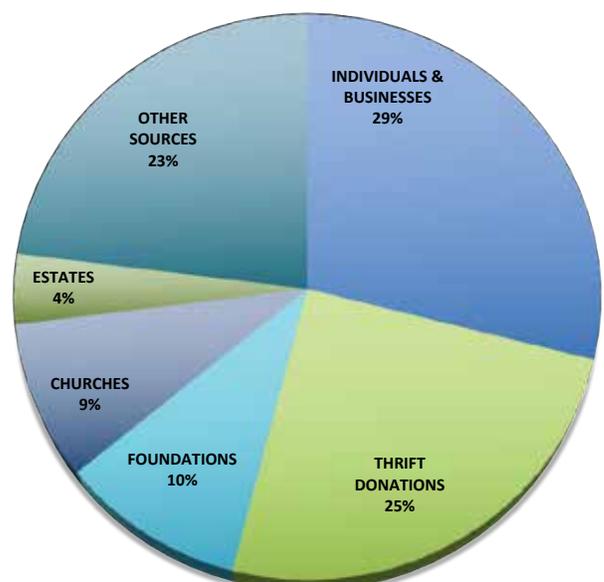
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PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS



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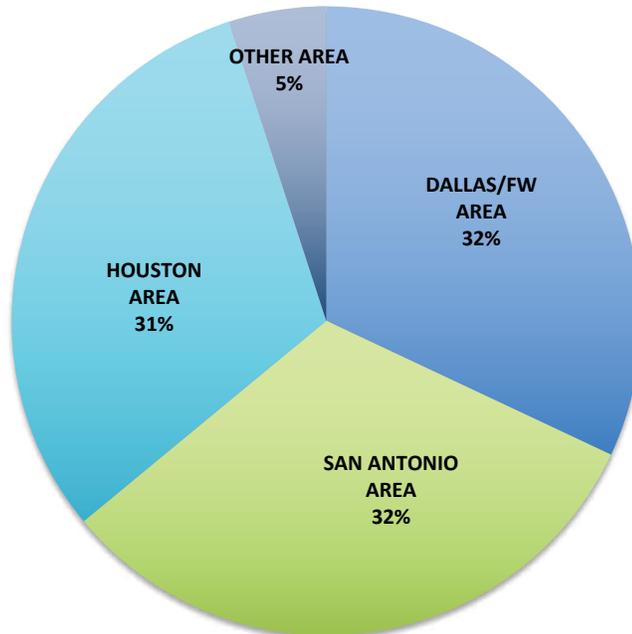


dations and churches for funding these invaluable services.

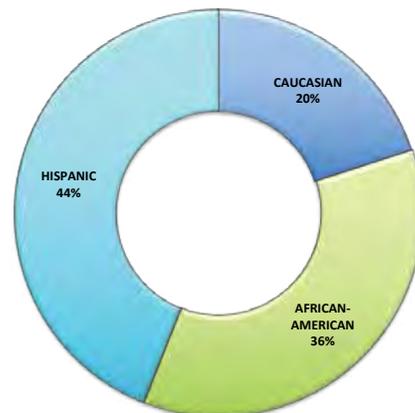
Most of the residents in Arms of Hope's programs are from Texas and 95% come from the urban areas and contiguous counties of Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio. The children and single mother families we serve are from all ethnic backgrounds with 44% being Hispanic, 36% African-American and 20% Caucasian. 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 twelve years old and younger with 48% being 5 and under. Less than 2% of Arms of Hope's residents come from homes with two parents. Most placements are a result of poverty, failed adoptions, family members who can no longer take on parental responsibility, single-parent homes filled with abuse and neglect and placements by a Juvenile Probation Office. Arms of Hope helps each resident succeed by having them follow an in-depth "plan of service" that measures a variety of different areas in their life such as health and wellness, emotional stability, social

skills and education. Now, 84% receive better grades in school than when they first arrived in our care with an amazing 38% now on the Honor Roll. 85% of Arms of Hope's school-aged children are now able to participate in extracurricular activities due to the support and resources provided by our programs and staff. 68% of all AOH residents either experienced positive reunification with their family or graduated from one of our programs. Most of the single mothers and their children who come to Arms of Hope are considered to be homeless and all are poverty stricken. Arms of Hope is truly making a difference in the lives of those in desperate need by providing programs that offer physical, emotional and spiritual transformation.

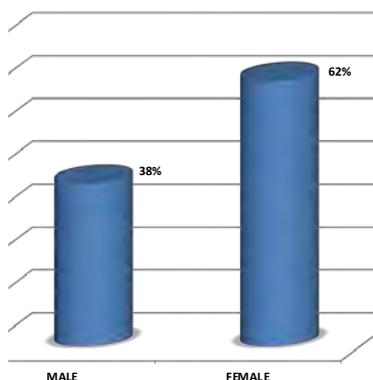
ARMS OF HOPE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS COME FROM VARIOUS LOCATIONS



ETHNICITY OF PARTICIPANTS



GENDER OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



30 Arms of Hope program participants became new followers of Christ this year.

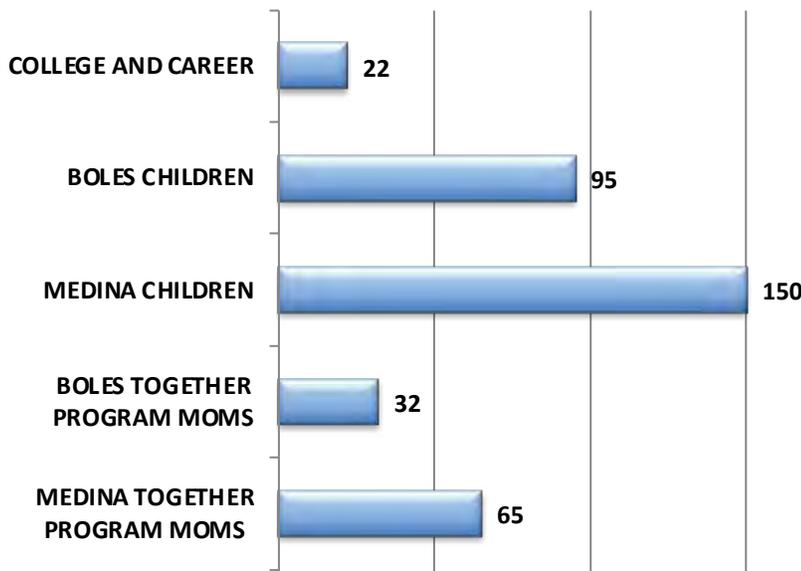




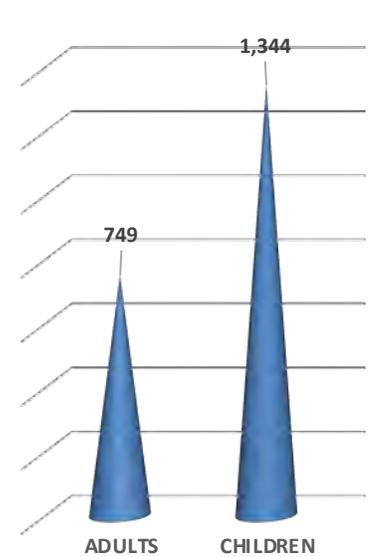
All campus residents receive professional therapy. In Fiscal Year 2021, 6,000 hours of professional therapy were utilized by Arms of Hope residents.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED IN FISCAL YEAR 2021

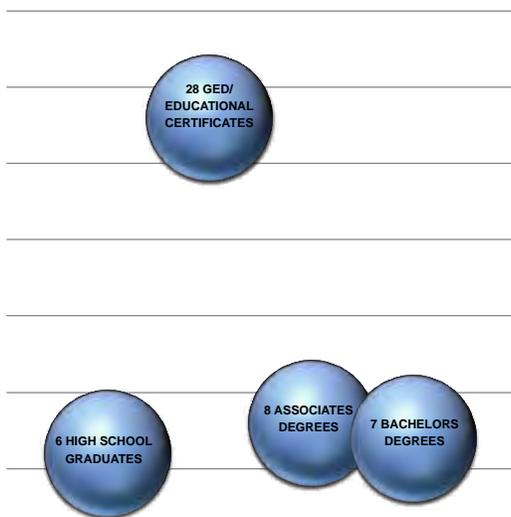
RESIDENTIAL CARE



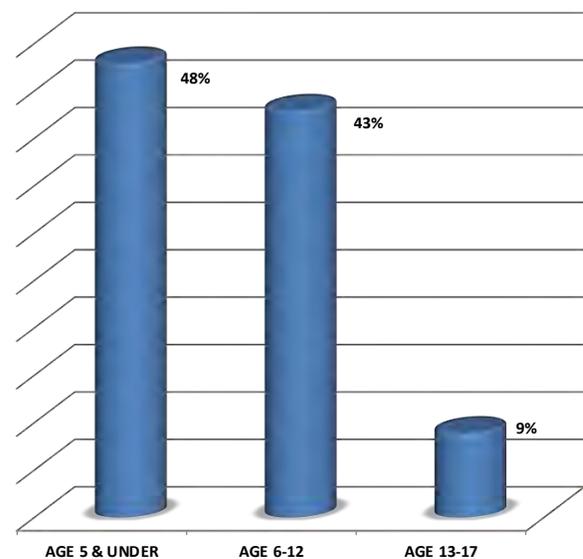
FAMILY OUTREACH CENTERS



EDUCATIONAL GAINS AMONG PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



AGE OF CHILDREN IN AOH CARE



Programs Offered on Arms of Hope's Two Residential Campuses and in its Urban Family Outreach Centers Include:

RESIDENTIAL CHILD CARE PROGRAM

The Residential Child Care Program meets disadvantaged children's physical, emotional, educational and spiritual needs in a 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.

TOGETHER PROGRAM

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, human trafficking, abuse or have lost sustainable support when a death, incarceration or divorce have occurred and there are no other means of provision.

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.

OUTREACH PROGRAM

Family Outreach Centers provide physical, emotional and spiritual assistance to underprivileged children and families in their own neighborhoods, which are some of the most financially distressed urban areas in Texas including Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio. Arms of Hope provides short-term immediate assistance to prevent homelessness, hunger and disconnected utilities. Invaluable long-term resources are also offered to help change a person's future, such as in-depth case management, needs assessments, counseling and family workshops. All clients receive prayer, Bible study and church referrals. For those suffering from extreme abuse, Arms of Hope residential campuses become their new home.

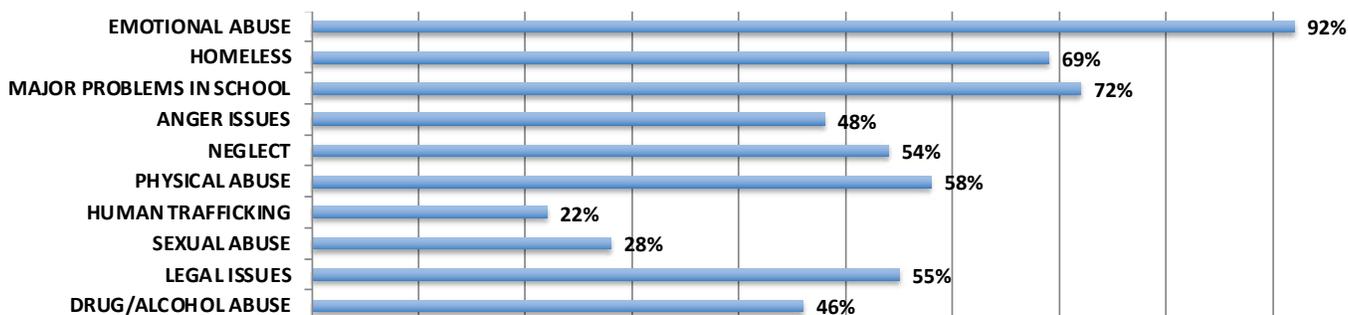
COLLEGE & CAREER PROGRAM

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.



Arms of Hope strongly believes in evangelism and discipleship. Through spiritual opportunities including regular church services, campus devotionals and Christian camps, 30 participants in our Residential Child Care, Together and Family Outreach Center programs became new followers of Christ in Fiscal Year 2021. All residents are given daily opportunities to grow in their faith by encountering house parents, case managers and counselors that show unconditional love and respect. Each campus has a dedicated minister specifically for residents' spiritual needs and the ministry team oversees all spiritual activities and devotional curriculum.

PROBLEM AREAS UPON ADMISSION TO RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS



How You Can Help

Volunteer - Arms of Hope welcomes over 60 groups per year for week long mission trips and weekend retreats. 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 recurring 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 that 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 a quality education by providing funding for scholarships for our residents.

Sponsor a Child or Family in Our Care - Taking care of 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.

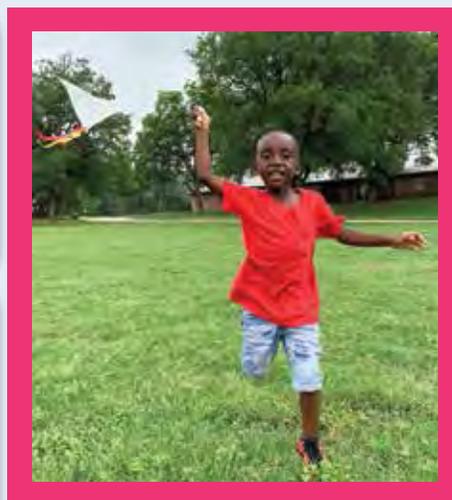
Learn more about how you can help at ArmsofHope.org

In Fiscal Year 2021, Arms of Hope hosted 42 different volunteer groups, 742 volunteers and 15,890 volunteer hours! Volunteers are an invaluable asset to Arms of Hope whose manual labor and ministry truly make a difference in the lives of our children and single mothers.

Do You Want to Make A Difference by Volunteering?

To bring a group of your friends to Arms of Hope, please inquire online at ArmsofHope.org

Please consider remembering your family and friends by sending memorials and honors to Arms of Hope.



Organizational Goals for 2022

- ❖ Open an educational center on the Medina Campus to enhance and expand on-line learning.
- ❖ Begin remodeling an existing building into a chapel on the Boles Campus to maximize space for Bible studies and group devotionals.
- ❖ Expand a mentoring program for pre-teen children (ages 8-12) on both campuses, including a formal curriculum and day camp to increase chances of positive spiritual change.



KAWANA
SAVAGE

Extending a Helping Hand

Kawana and her beautiful family came to the Medina Campus in 2015. She was so scared of what this journey would mean for her family, but she still lovingly tells how our Intake Coordinator insisted that she was the perfect candidate for Arms of Hope's Together Program. Kawana successfully completed several goals for herself and her family while at Medina. She cleared her driving record and her children thrived in a smaller school while participating in activities that they never dreamed would be possible. The whole family formed long lasting relationships with the staff and other wonderful residents on campus. Kawana worked so hard

and graduated with her LVN Degree from Schreiner University in 2017. The family then transferred to the Denton Family Outreach Center program to finish up Kawana's licensing requirements, be closer to extended family and complete financial goals to ensure the successful future for her children. She graduated from the Denton program in 2019. During her time at Arms of Hope, Kawana was blessed with countless case management & counseling sessions, participated in Bible studies, church, parenting and life skill classes, learned how to develop safe relationships, developed budgeting skills and most importantly received love and

support from her AOH family while strengthening the bonds with her own children and the community. Kawana is now thriving as a Licensed Vocational Nurse at Riverhills Health & Rehabilitation and enjoys every minute of extending a helping hand while giving back to others. All three of her children have graduated high school and the whole family gives back to the community and AOH every chance they get. Kawana is a mentor for other moms in the program and is always willing to speak an encouraging word to anyone who needs it. The icing on the cake is the family's recent realization of their lifetime goal to own a house! ■

2015



2017



2018



2019



2020



2021



2021

Mary Lou Retton

American Olympic Gold Gymnast and America's Sweetheart

*Scores a
Perfect 10
with her
Medina Campus
Visit!*



Although the wise decision to make sure the health of our residents, supporters and staff are our first priority, Arms of Hope was saddened to cancel our 2020 and 2021 Dallas and Houston Events due to Covid. Besides hearing the testimonies from our incredible residents, we had been excited about our plan to bring Mary Lou Retton to these events. An Olympic Champion Gymnast, but more importantly a woman of great faith,

hope and love, Mary Lou would've definitely been a huge hit at our events. But where Covid caused disappointment, God created a wonderful opportunity!

Retton was able to visit and speak at the Medina Campus and the residents and staff were blown away by her encouragement and support. She started the day touring the campus and celebrating that we are able to provide



this ministry of unconditional love and support to 125 children and single mothers in Medina alone. Retton was excited to see the new Barnard Educational Center that will provide a beautiful, peaceful and modern space for residents on campus to achieve their higher education goals. She also enjoyed seeing the cottages for children in our Residential Child Care Program and the newly built housing for our single-mother families. Retton's favorite part was visiting the

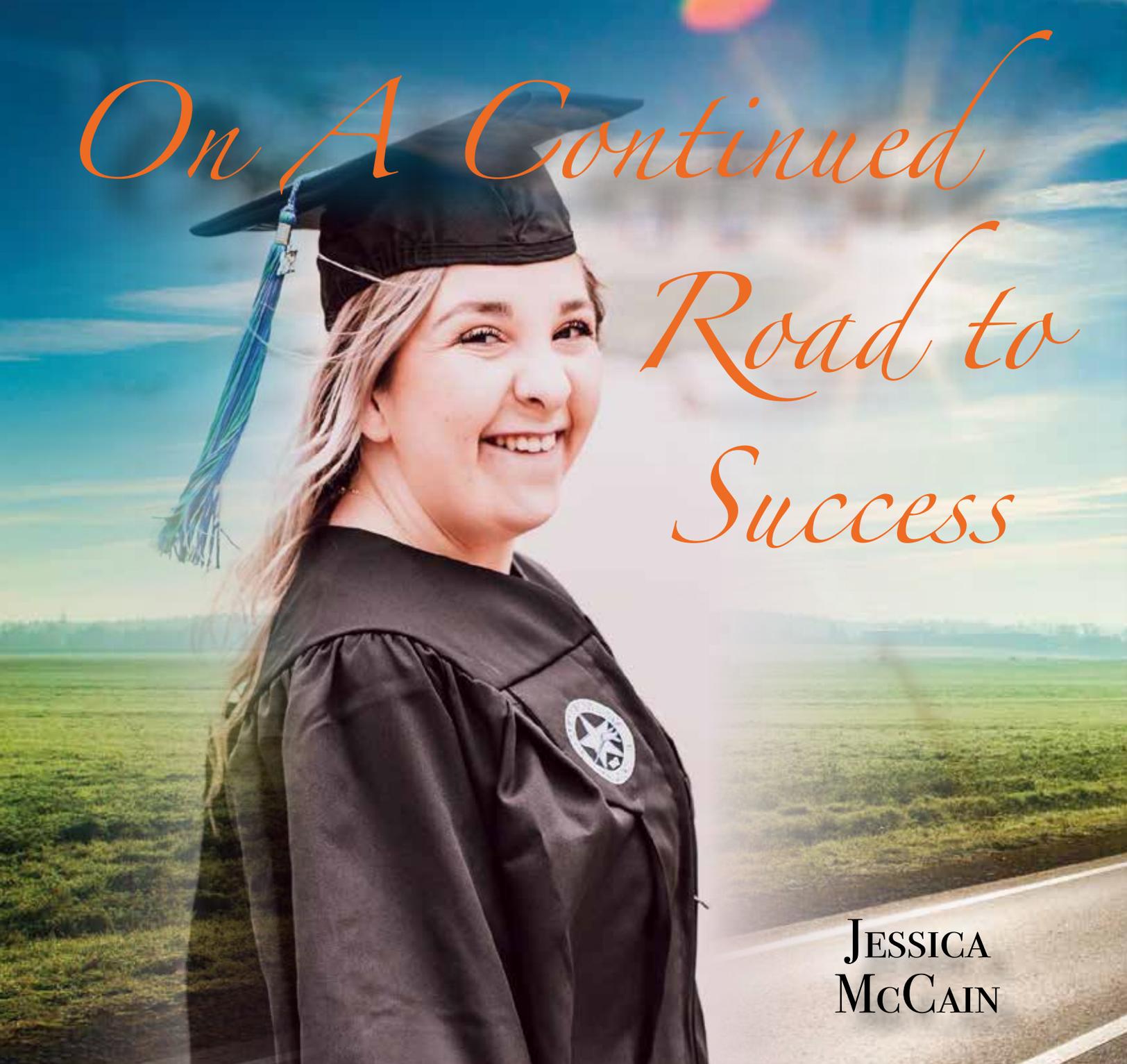
Currey Learning Center and meeting some of our youngest and most adorable residents. She jumped right in and spent lots of time playing and loving God's beautiful children. After the tour, it was on to our Chapel of Hope where Retton blessed everyone with pictures and time for good conversation with everyone she met. She truly made all of the residents feel important and assured them that she was the one honored to meet with them! Her interview at the chapel blew everyone away with her humble and inspiring testimony of how to work hard to succeed.

Retton stated, "I'm a coal miner's daughter from West Virginia. We had what we needed, but we didn't have a lot, so sports were my chance. I would've never gone to the Olym-

pics without the work ethic that was placed in me by my family. We were taught that you were not better than anyone else and if you want something you better work and work and work. As crazy and ridiculous as it seems, don't ever let anyone tell you that you can't do something. God got me through and if you have faith in him, you can achieve anything!"

What a wonderful message for our residents who are constantly striving to change their lives and create a different and better future for themselves and their families.

Retton then nailed the perfect landing by stating, "I walked on this campus and everyone was just in a golden glow. That's what I think Christianity is about. People see you and want what you have. All of you here have been that for me. What you do here, I'm blown away. People call me a hero because I stuck a vault, but what you guys do everyday, helping people and breaking cycles, I'm so blessed to be here." ■



On A Continued Road to Success

**JESSICA
McCAIN**

My name is Jessica McCain and I am a proud graduate of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology. For the last four years I have been working hard to achieve this goal while in the College & Career Program at Arms of Hope. I am so proud of what I have accomplished. However, this journey has not been easy.

When I was just two years old my mom and dad got divorced. I was so young that I do not remember most of

it, but I do remember my brother and I living with our mother instead of going with our father. Looking back now, if I had the choice, I would have chosen to go with my dad. My mother cared more about drugs, alcohol and men than she did her own children. She did not take the time to watch over us and because of that my brother and I suffered. I faced years of physical and sexual abuse from her boyfriends and acquaintances. I wish I could say my mother didn't know what was happening, but that was not the case. She was

fully aware of what was going on. We lived in an unsafe motel for most of my childhood and sometimes we did not live anywhere at all. There were days that we would go without food and basic needs. When I turned five, CPS was made aware of the situation we were living in and they took us to live with our dad. After living only two years with him, he was diagnosed with colon cancer. He became too sick to take care of us and I was placed at Arms of Hope-Medina Campus when I was seven years old. I was young



and scared and did not know what life had planned for me, but with a lot of support from the loving staff, it became the best thing that ever happened to me.

Arms of Hope took me in and cared for me in a way that I hadn't experienced before. They showed me how a parent is supposed to care for you. Eventually, my dad's health improved, but he and I decided that the Medina Campus was the place where God wanted me to be raised. I am so thankful he made that tough decision. Arms of Hope gave me

a great education and helped me with years of counseling for my trauma.

Some of my most amazing memories are graduating from Medina High School in 2017, and the ultimate experience of being baptized at Camp Eagle by my Campus Minister, who is still actively involved in my life. Without Arms of Hope, I would not have had the opportunity to go to college and I don't know where I would be. In January 2021, I got the unexpected call that my father had passed away. I took this very

hard, especially with my college graduation only being a few months away. I was not even sure if getting my degree would be an option this semester, but Arms of Hope helped me navigate through this storm. My journey to get to where I am has been anything but easy, but I now have a bright future. I owe all of my successes to God, my father and Arms of Hope. ■

Remembering A Life

“Even if my
mother and
father leave me,
the Lord
will take me in.”
- Psalm 27:10

of
Upbringing at
Boles Home
& Service to
Arms of
Hope

Randy Nicholson
1937-2021



Randy Nicholson left a lasting legacy on Arms of Hope as a former resident of Boles Home, a nationally known businessman, and an exceptional supporter and board member of Arms of Hope. He overcame hardships and celebrated successes, yet he was always interested in enjoying the present rather than reliving the past. As he would sometimes mention, Nicholson knew what zero was and he said, “What I originally saw as adversity, I later realized was God putting me on a path of blessing.”

“I believe that my experiences at the home affected how I viewed people.

It was difficult, after having achieved financial success, not to think, *Look at me, I am at the top*. Thankfully, I remembered my past and what it was like being at the bottom of that ladder - and it helped me remember that we are all equal and deserving of respect,” Randy wrote in his 2018 memoir entitled *Hindsight is 20/10: Reflections on Life With Unveiled Eyes*.

Nicholson arrived at Boles Children’s Home when he was only eighteen months old. He was the youngest of four children and he never knew the circumstances that led him to Boles

except that something had happened between his parents and he and his siblings were deemed wards of the state in Hunt County. The state placed them at Boles Home in 1939, where there were more than two hundred children who had been orphaned or came from families whose parents were unable to care for them.

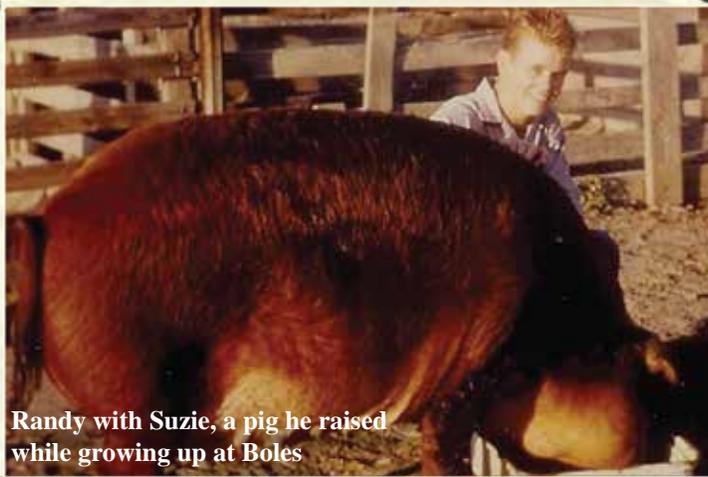
Boles was a farming environment where all the children learned to work hard. Randy churned milk to make butter for Boles Home and picked cotton for two cents per pound. The children were only able to keep a portion of their earnings and the rest



Randy and his siblings
at Boles Home



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was God putting me on a path of blessing.”
- Randy Nicholson*



Randy with Suzie, a pig he raised
while growing up at Boles



went towards buying items like a television and radio for their dorm. When he earned fifteen dollars, he bought a pig he named Suzie and he sold several litters of her piglets to earn more money. He also learned farming would not be a way of life for him! It was too unpredictable because even if you did everything right, drought and disease could devastate earning potential. Plus, picking cotton made his fingers sore! Randy learned about accounting basics while working at an office in town and selling Suzie's piglets taught him about finances. These experiences helped him learn to save money and reinvest to gener-

ate returns. Through the experience of all these opportunities, Nicholson decided he wanted to study business in college. The question became, how could he get to college? When he graduated from Boles High School, he had eight hundred dollars. Nicholson would have had more, but three hundred dollars was stolen from his jean pockets in the locker room while he was playing in a basketball game. Randy remembered valuable lessons learned at Boles like the emphasis on hard work and honesty, the value of relationships, and the importance of managing money. Most of all, he learned that everything he had was

from God and in his memoir he stated, “I had no choice to be humble.”

At the age of seventeen, he got a handshake and a ride to the big city of Dallas to the home of an uncle he'd never met. The uncle told Randy his family was leaving for vacation and could offer no help to the stranger standing on their doorstep. Most seventeen year olds might have crumbled on the street corner and cried, but Randy found his way to the Saner Church of Christ and was told about a widow who had a room he could rent. He rented the room and found a job at Safeway. The district manager even



Safeway grocery store



1957



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1959



2016

59th Anniversary with Randa and her family



1992

made sure he would be invited to work at the Safeway in Abilene while attending Abilene Christian College. Even though he was offered money for college, he turned it down because he had what he considered the good fortune of saving enough money to pay his own way. Randy recalled, "It was obvious God was working in my life."

While at Abilene Christian College, Randy met Barbara Hart and they married on a Monday in November 1957, because it was his day off from working at Safeway. Barbara's parents welcomed Randy into their fam-

ily and when Randy and Barbara later graduated from Abilene Christian College, Mr. Hart escorted Barbara and Randy was honored to be escorted by Mrs. Hart. Soon after passing the CPA exam, Randy bought his accounting firm, which became known as Nicholson and Mouser. In 1963, Randy sold his interest in the practice and began working for the McGlothlin family, strengthening his involvement in a large number and variety of companies. Randy and Barbara welcomed their only child, a daughter named Randa, in 1966. One of the most important things to Randy was that his daughter have a home and

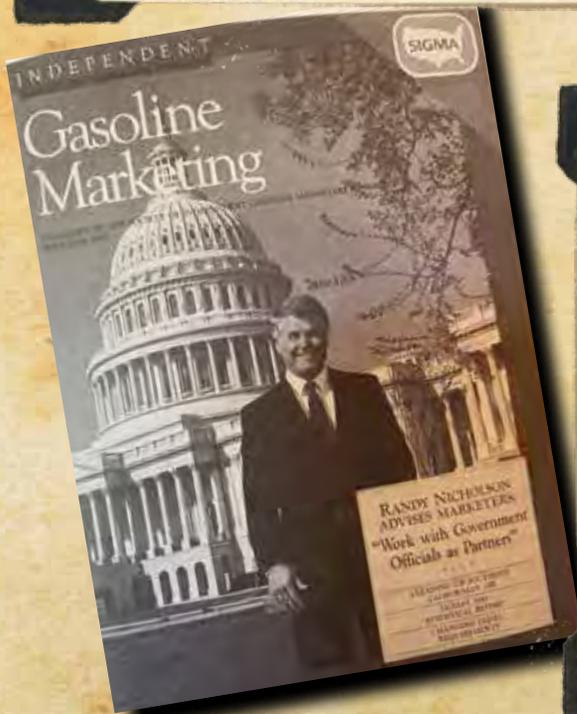
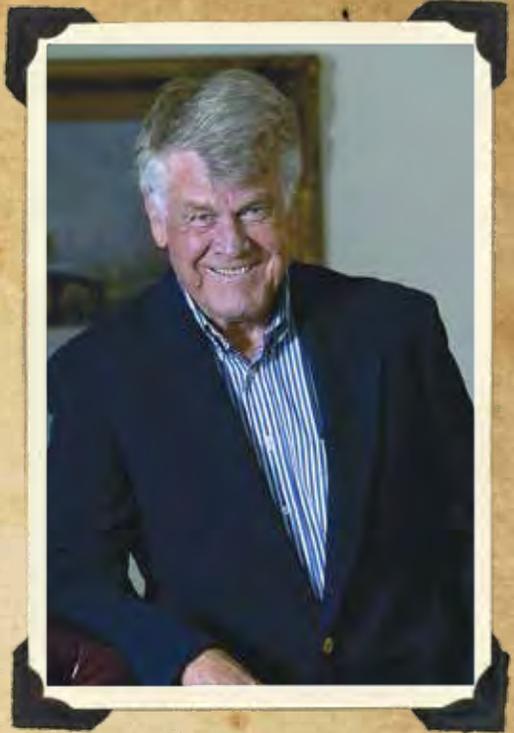
both parents in her life because that is something he never had.

Randy became the founder, president, chief operating officer and board member of E-Z Serve Inc. with one thousand and two hundred outlets in twenty-six states, which was sold in 1986. Eventually, Randy was known for pioneering the "pay-at-the-pump" technology through an E-Z Serve subsidiary named Autogas that revolutionized the retail gas industry by allowing drivers to buy gasoline at convenience stores without leaving their vehicle. It became an invention that was lauded



Randy Nicholson with AOH children

2010



2006



Pay-at-the-pump

by *USA Today* as the ninth best invention that changed lives in the past twenty-five years. Auto Gas Systems, launched the technology in just two gas stations in 1987, and his company later provided software to more than two thousand stores nationwide.

Randy's family and friends fondly remember him as a jokester who loved having fun. Barbara also holds a special place in our hearts and Arms of Hope residents and staff were blessed by her sweet spirit until her passing in 2017. As an Arms of Hope board member, Randy Nicholson used his business savvy, investment expertise

and personal success to provide for Arms of Hope, yet he was also an inspiration for fighting for each and every child we serve since he was a former resident. He knew what it was like being at the bottom and found hope along the way, which is exactly our dream for every resident in Arms of Hope's care. Nicholson was a very tough man with a work ethic of steel who fought to persevere his entire life, despite his less traditional upbringing. Not even a hospitalization for pleurisy from the Asiatic Flu days before his wedding in 1957, cardiac arrest from an IVP dye allergy in the 1960s or a pituitary gland brain tu-

mor requiring surgery and radiation in 1977, could keep him down. One of the principles Randy taught his daughter, Randa, was, "When your situation seems the darkest, look to Him. Pray that God will give you just enough light for the next step. We don't have to see the whole plan, and often the path isn't a straight line; we just have to trust Him and take the next step." That is a principle Randy lived by his entire life, even in the end as he fought his last fight battling Covid-19. We miss Randy Nicholson terribly, but rejoice that he and Barbara are together in heaven. ■

Arms of Hope Remembers Abilene Christian University Crash Victims Ten Years after the accident



ACU students' mission trip to serve residents on the Arms of Hope - Medina Campus was cut short by a fatal bus crash on November 4th.

Each year Arms of Hope is blessed by groups who visit our campuses to volunteer by providing much needed assistance with maintaining our facilities and providing ministry and encouragement to the children and families in our care. Many of these special groups make their mission trip to an AOH campus an annual affair which becomes highly anticipated by our residents.

After serving AOH for seven years, Abilene Christian University's Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Department never arrived on our campus one fall afternoon ten years ago, causing our residents and staff great concern. Arms of Hope remembers the ten year anniversary of the tragic November 4, 2011, bus accident that injured thirteen and killed one.

Sixteen ACU students and staff members were travelling to Medina for their annual mission trip when the bus veered off the road around 3:20 p.m. between the small towns of Ballinger and Paint Rock. The vehicle rolled several times, ejecting twelve of its occupants, before landing upright. Thirteen of the passengers were transported to different hospitals and Anabel Reid, 19 year old sophomore environmental science major, died at the scene. Assistant professor Emmett Miller regularly chaperoned the mission trip with his wife, Patricia Miller, who was hospital-

ized for over two months due to the serious injuries she endured and she later passed in 2017.

After hearing the news on that fateful day, the AOH family immediately began lifting up prayers for those involved in the crash and shared cherished stories and memories of past visits. Arms of Hope children honored Anabel's family and those in the hospital by working for hours to create cards and art projects. The cards and art were covered with prayers, scriptures and



Anabel Reid was returning to the Medina Campus to volunteer for the second consecutive year, when her life was tragically taken in the 2011 bus accident. She has long been remembered for her loving, servant heart.

messages of love and support. They were delivered by Kevin McDonald, AOH CEO, to hospitals in San Angelo and Abilene. "The ACU students were touched and honored by this outpouring of love from our residents," McDonald remembered. "Many tears were shed in those hospital rooms and lots of memories of past visits came pouring out as well. I was amazed and in awe of the fact that the ACU students' primary concern was to make sure that I told the children that they were sorry they couldn't come this year."

Arms of Hope honored the group at the Abilene Arms of Hope Gala several weeks after the accident. A video was played that showed photos of this special group serving Arms of Hope in previous years and children told of how the group impacted their lives. Students and faculty from the Agricultural Department were in attendance including Dr. Emmett Miller and members of his family. In 2012, Arms of Hope completed its Medina Campus Chapel and dedicated a prayer room in memory of Anabel. Her mother, Shelly Reid, and Dr. Miller were in attendance at the Chapel dedication ceremony.

One of the passengers on that fateful day was Kendra Unamba. She remembers, "The accident was very difficult, however it showed me how many supportive people I have in my life. The

accident has shown me that you never know what tomorrow will bring and that it's important to live life and appreciate time."

Kendra became an Arms of Hope summer intern and she now lives in Maryland working as a nurse in the emergen-

cy department at Children's National in Washington D.C. She is currently applying to school to obtain her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) in psychiatric mental health.

Kendra says, "I hope to one day be able to help others process and heal from the

traumas they have experienced. Even though the accident has been hard to process at times, I am grateful for the friendships that came from it and the opportunity to see what it is like to see an entire community come together in support of each other." ■



Anabel Reid (ACU shirt) and friend working hard on AOH Campus while having a blast during their 2010 Medina visit.



Dr. Emmett Miller joining in the labor during the 2010 Medina visit.



ACU students preparing to serve dinner to AOH residents with Anabel in front (2010 Medina visit)



Kendra Unamba, AOH Summer intern, ACU student and bus crash victim is comforted two days after the accident.

"The accident has shown me that you never know what tomorrow will bring and that it's important to live life and appreciate time."
- Kendra Unamba
ACU Crash Victim



Shelly Reid, Anabel's mother, with Dr. Emmett Miller, in the prayer room named after Anabel at the AOH Campus Chapel dedication in 2012.



Two days after the accident, Kevin McDonald, AOH President & CEO, delivered cards from Medina children to the hospitalized victims in San Angelo and Abilene.



Dr. Emmett Miller is joined above by Agricultural & Environmental Sciences Department students, some of whom were crash victims, at the Arms of Hope 2011 Abilene Gala honoring all of those who were affected by the tragic accident.

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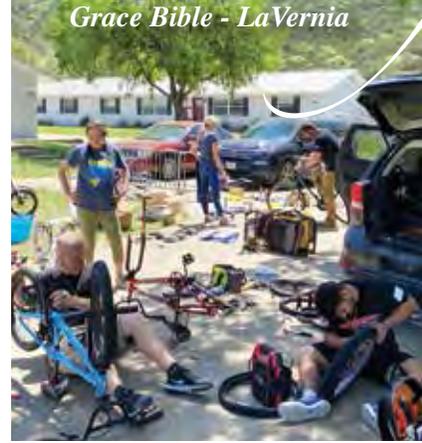
Stillwater Church of Christ - Oklahoma



Cornerstone Christian - Houston



Grace Bible - LaVernia



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Park Avenue Church of Christ
- Denison



Aggies For Christ - Medina



Senatobia & Hernando Church of
Christ - Mississippi



Memorial Road Church of Christ - Edmond, OK



College Hills Church of Christ -
Richland Hills

San Antonio Jeep Exclusive



Young Men's Service League - Rockwall
Southside Church of Christ - Ft. Worth



Johnson Street Church of Christ - San Angelo

ful for its volunteers...



Canadian Church of Christ



League Street Church - Sulphur Springs



Cypress Creek Church - Wimberley



New Braunfels Church of Christ



Cornerstone Christian School - Sugarland

To contact us about volunteer opportunities, please e-mail: Volunteer@ArmsOfHope.org



McDermott Road - Plano



Aggies For Christ - Boles



Westhill Church of Christ - Cleburne



Southeast Church of Christ - Friendswood



Oakerest Church of Christ - Oklahoma City



First Colony Church of Christ - Sugar Land

Arms of Hope Happenings



We're proud of Emma on the Medina Campus for making cheerleader!



Alexis and Dianna were recognized for their excellent athletic participation at the Medina Sports Banquet. Way to go!



Rene in the Medina Campus College & Career Program worked hard at Alamo Community College for two years and was accepted into UTSA to complete his bachelor's degree in Sociology.



It was so much fun celebrating the end of summer on the Boles Campus with blueberry picking and ice cream!



Ashanti on the Medina Campus made a beautiful prom queen!



Playing outside on the Boles Campus in January is the best!



Residents on the Boles Campus are learning so much through Financial Peace.



Aiden and Calvry beat the heat and have fun playing together.



We are so proud of Austin! He lived on the Medina Campus for 8 years, is training to be a parachute rigger and then off to be an Army Ranger. Thank you Austin for serving our Country!



Mackenzie was honored for her outstanding academic achievement at Medina Middle School!



Boles Campus children were thankful for their back to school books. We thank Tracy for her donation!



Congratulations to Chole for being the 3rd Grade Duchess in Medina. You stole the show at Homecoming!



Moms on the Medina Campus were blessed with a wonderful Mother's Day Lunch filled with food, gifts and great fellowship! Thank you to Bonnie Robertson and crew of helpers for leading this great event!



Cherie, Jessica, Brittany & Chelsea on the Medina Campus were honored at a luncheon and ceremony for their educational accomplishments!



Dodgeball anyone? Our children on the Medina Campus looked the part at the Dodgeball tournament to start off the Thanksgiving Holidays.



Thank you to the Max Dillard family for providing a van and to Boerne Toyota for helping us find the best deal!



The San Antonio Family Outreach Center loved distributing Easter baskets and children's Bibles in the community!



The Annual Kerrville Church of Christ Pitmaster Classic on the Medina Campus was an incredible success!



After being postponed by the ice and snow storm, the children in the Boles Learning Center had a wonderful time at their Valentine party.



Chloe won 1st place at the Bandera County Junior Livestock Show.



The Denton Family Outreach Center is so proud of Sara! We are honored to walk alongside this beautiful family!



The Boles Campus was honored to host families from the Denton and Dallas Family Outreach Centers for an amazing spiritual retreat.



Some of the children on the Medina Campus enjoyed a beautiful hike at Lost Maples Park. They are so blessed to live in the Texas Hill Country!



Daisy learned all about flowers and God's beautiful creation at the Boles Campus Learning Center!

Memorials

Received 11/1/20-10/31/21

Adams, Lowell
 Betty Adams
 Aday, Ron
 Bob & Marla Edwards
 Albritton, Juanita
 Patsy Burke
 Alewine, Ann
 Linda Cause
 Alewine, Danny
 Linda Cause
 Allen, Tommy G.
 Joyce, Greg, &
 Mindy Smith Family
 Amason, Charles & Elvira
 Cindy Rakowitz
 Amburgey, Tyler
 John & Sandra Amburgey
 Andrews, Bob & Crystal
 Farrell & Charlotte Nalls
 Arnold, David
 Karla McGowan
 Avance, Brenda Harris
 Carol Cawyer
 Baker, George
 Nancy Benson
 Linda Cause
 Ball, Damon
 John E. & Patricia Bakke, III
 Jim Ball
 Randall & Corrine Benish
 Henry & Marjorie
 Christopher, Jr.
 Fred & Marion Clark
 Michael & Teresa Garatoni
 Family of John T. Palmer
 David & Janette Prichard
 Betty, Joseph & Beth Richard
 Cynthia Vaughan
 Royce & Rudine Vickery
 Ballard, Cheryl
 Brent Ballard
 Banister, John & Marybel
 Kirk & Linda Castleman
 Barnard, Bonnie
 Darryl & Claudia Donaldson
 George Barnard
 Jan & Rusty Marshall
 Barnard, George & Bonnie
 Gary & Marialyn Barnard
 Wayne & Mimi Barnard
 Sidney & Marsha Dowell
 Bassham, Jerry
 Ganado Church of Christ
 Baur, Mildred
 Connie Barnes
 Bill Berlinger
 John Berlinger
 Wayne, Judy, Steve &
 Kathy Holland
 Ann Kirkman
 James & Carolyn Lichtbiau
 John & Carole Simon
 Shuree Waters
 Beck, Dewey
 Sharon Butler & Neighbors
 Bennett, Donna
 Mickey Ray
 Bergman, Stuart & Grace
 Sadie Phillips
 Bernhard, Vernell
 Coy & Judy Campbell
 Berry, Danny
 Kay White
 Bertagnolli, Frances Bernard
 Col. Frank Bertagnolli, Ret.

Bickham, Gordon & Peggy
 Mr. & Mrs. G. Keith
 Bickham, Jr.
 Bird, Judy
 Ethel Kern
 Black, Susan
 Ken Maynard
 Bloodworth, Gary Wayne
 Frances Townsley
 Boatright, Florence Perkins
 Joy McKelroy
 Boiles, Maudie
 Mickey Ray
 Boman, Jim
 Bob & Marla Edwards
 Bowers, Charles
 Roger & Madeline Bowers
 Booth, Don
 Alvis Ashley
 Bowers, Nathan Metsgar
 Anita Booker
 Jay Nunnally
 Box, William
 Karla McGowan
 Bradfute, Byron
 G. Randy Nicholson
 Bray, Nelda
 Juanita Beck
 Bridges, David
 Terry & Renee Nichol
 Bright, Nizhoni
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 Bristow, Gwen
 Pam Bynum
 Broughton, Teresa
 Gene Adams
 Herman Bush
 David & Cheryl Carson
 Betty Jo Glass
 Charles Wayne & Rhelma
 Gleeson
 Sondra Hester
 Ronald & Lonnette Horak
 Nelda F. Hunt
 Laura Kelly
 Linda Kubica
 Michael Organ
 Pat Scales
 Margaret Shepherd
 Brown, Betty Ruth
 Keith Hall
 Wanda Romaine
 Rose Wise
 Betty Wylie
 Brown, Bill
 Linda Cause
 Pat & Elaine Chaney
 Don & Carol Crisp
 Travis Crow
 David Deas
 Dale & Ann Duncan
 William & Elva Dee Hulett
 Barry Huntsman
 Bruce Kile
 Wayne Neu
 Hal & Dorothy O'Brien
 Robert Palmer
 Jim & Karla Schneider
 Mark & Jo Schoonover
 Kay See & Family
 Keith & Cynthia Walvoord
 Brown, Joe
 Raymond Sweeney
 Bruce, Wylie Gene
 Suzie Powell

Bryan, Ilene
 Barbara Dean
 Bryant, Don
 Linda Cause
 Brymer, David
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 Buckner, Benjamin B.
 "Benny" Jr. & June
 Tully & Darlene Shahan
 Bullock, Joe
 Glynatta Richie
 Bullock, Joe Del
 Aaron & Marilyn Cranford
 James & Sharon Taylor
 Burgess, Elva
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Burke, John David
 Jodeen Aven
 Joshua Burke
 Kim Burke Taylor
 Burke, John David, Paul &
 Grady
 Cindy Burke
 Don & Sue Burke
 Burkett, Bonnie
 Curtis & Molly Bedrich
 Glenda Booth
 Tom & Pat England
 Leonard & Myra Kent
 Bettye Shepherd
 Burkett, Bonnie Delphene
 Dunagan
 Ken & Sandra Burkett
 Burnam, Barbara
 Mr. & Mrs. Norm Clothier
 Wanda Etheridge
 Andy & Sandy Hendrix
 Dale & Nichole Knox
 Beth Mynatt
 Burnett, Donna
 Alyne & Billy Watson Family
 Burnett, Jerry C.
 Glenda Burnett
 Burns, Wanda F.
 James R. Burns
 Burton, Joe
 Steve Sawyer
 Calvert, Wade
 Stanton Calvert
 Calvin, William "Bill" E.
 Shane Calvin
 Campbell, Dorothy
 Nancy Benson
 Caplinger, Imogene
 Farrell & Charlotte Nalls
 Cappadonna, Mitchell
 Hayes Smith
 Matthew, Avery, Hayes &
 Sawyer Smith
 Carpenter, Sue
 David & Jennifer Trout
 Carr, Carletta Hollis
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Carroll, Annette
 Jim & Carol Hudson
 Carroll, David
 Pam Morte
 Chambliss, Mickey Sr.
 Bob, Linda & Steve Boyd
 Childers, Daisy
 Ronald & Joyce Combs
 Christmas, R.G. & Bula
 Raymond & Grace Christmas
 Clayton, Ron
 Dallas & Darla Dill

Damon Ball (1931-2020)



Damon Ball of San Antonio went to be with Jesus in 2020. This successful attorney, family man and follower of Jesus was born on a farm in Mississippi in 1931. Damon graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi and moved to San Antonio in 1958. At a Valentine's Day party in 1959, Damon met his eternal love, Sally Arnold. Their first child, Michael Damon, was born with a severe birth defect and passed away at sixteen months. They were later blessed with the births of Melanie Ann and Kelli Beth. Damon began his law practice in 1963 after graduating from St. Mary's and specialized in civil suits. He tried cases in state and federal courts all over Texas. His courtroom skills were legendary and he was greatly respected by other trial lawyers. Damon was a faithful member of Sunset Ridge Church of Christ and served as a Deacon and co-founder of the church's charitable foundation. He also had a long and wonderful association with Medina Children's Home, serving on the public relations board, legal counsel pro bono and active participant in San Antonio events. Damon was a passionate supporter of the military and loved to read about history. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, his two girls and five precious grandchildren. ■

Clisbee, Shirley
 Steve & Laurie Sawyer
 Cluck, Lindy
 Phyllis Williams
 Collier, L.P. Sr.
 Sharon Collier
 Coopwood, Margie
 Martha Durst
 Coopwood, Margie Jeanette
 The Most Fabulous Book Ever

Club Friends c/o Brenda Gaba
 Corbello, Trudy
 Karla McGowan
 Covert, Duke
 Mickey & Paula Ray
 Cox, Bernice & James
 Kay Kennedy
 Michael Craft's Father
 Glynatta Richie

Crook, Ann Pope
 Alan & Martha Babcock
 Pat Ellis
 Cruthird, Chantel
 Farrell & Charlotte Nalls
 Cypert, James
 Dana & Michael Ashton
 Linda Casey & Family
 Donald & Wanda Hanson
 Brenda Long & Family
 Don & Gayle Mitchell
 Steven & Pattie Olive &
 Family
 Burl & Debbie Pringle
 Daugherty, Erwin
 Harlan Church of Christ
 & Christian School
 Daughtry, Verna
 Ginger Martire
 Gary McCoy
 Dauphin, Pat
 Linda Cause
 Davis, Billy
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Davis, Billy Paul
 Jim & Mary West
 Davis, Edna
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Davis, Ina Jean
 Wanda & Albert Boozer
 Day, Dr. H.C.
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 De Los Santos, Leonor
 Laura Gutierrez
 Denson, Tom & Nell
 Michelle Latson
 Derbin, JoAnn
 Ruth Derbin
 Prestoncrest Church of Christ
 Derr, Wanda
 Vera Johnson
 DeWoody, Lilly B.
 Jim & Wanda Rundell
 Dickinson, Glenda
 Ron & Allison Knight
 Joel McMasters
 John Mecham
 Pam Wallace
 Karla Warren
 Lloyd Winkley
 Patricia Woodley
 Dileo, Dr. Joseph
 Louis & Carole Nance
 Dodson, Gary
 Dodson's Community Group
 c/o Nancy Bradford
 Dolgener, Georgia
 Janice Edwards
 Dosier, Shirley Ann
 Nancy Grantham
 Doss, Hyle
 PFG Midland / Rays, Dockerys
 and Sanchez
 Dowell, Joyce
 Ethel Kern
 Drennan, Becky
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Drewett, Dave
 Glenda Houston
 Duncan, Amy
 Jeff Duncan
 Bradley & Dawn Stinson
 Duncan, Vivian
 Gregory Marshall Duncan
 Dunleavy, Glendora

Jerry & Mary Stettheimer
 Eagan, Nancy
 PFG Midland/Mickey Ray
 Easter, Wayne & Eleanor
 Richard & Beth Mynatt
 Ebner, Charlie & Jane
 Mary Ann Arreguin
 Violet Maxey
 Edwards, Bob
 Michael Ray & Jo A. Milnes
 Elliott, Herbert
 Gary & Ann Land
 Ellis, Stephen Marcas
 Sam & Cheryl Ellis
 Ethridge, Marty Presley
 Enos Presley Jr.
 Fanguio, Ann
 Karla McGowan
 Fansler, B. J.
 Broadway Church of Christ
 Farmer, Ramon
 Karen Farmer
 Faulkner, Eloise
 Memorial Church of Christ
 Fendley, Mr. & Mrs. Grover
 Charles & Salli Fendley
 Fields, Winnie
 Janet McGinnis
 Finney, Judy
 Mike & Drew Stringfellow
 Finnerty, Ruth
 Fred & Barbara Bowlin
 Fletcher, John & Louise
 Dangle Fletcher
 Fogle, Mary Ethel
 John & Lorene Hawk
 Fox, Joe Michael
 Ken Maynard
 Franklin, Earl
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Franklin, Morris Jr., M.D.
 Jeff Glass
 Fruzia, Terry
 Bruce & Carolyn Anthony
 Fry, Lee
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Camille Sandusky
 Fry, Pete
 Robert Fry
 Fuller, James
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Fulton, Brad
 Jim & Carol Hudson
 Gage, Toni
 Mickey & Shawna Spencer
 Gardner, Mary Nell
 Chrissy Williford Metcalf
 Garza, Michael Anthony
 Bryan Brinkmann
 Dale & Cherie Brooks
 Carol Burke
 Tex & Joan Carey
 Connie Crager
 Free Spirited Red Hatters
 c/o Andrea Salinas
 Victor & Peggy Furches
 Debbie Langehennig
 Patrick & Suzy Michel
 Ken & Beverly Munson
 Ken, Kristi & Jack Schuepbach
 Lisa Shelton
 Gentzler, Judy
 Dorothy, Richard, Phillip
 & Bill Brown Family
 Geros, Georgian Elliott

Bonnie Barnard (1931-2020)



Arms of Hope lost a special supporter and friend of our ministry with the passing of Bonnie Marie Mullen Barnard. She is lovingly remembered as: Daughter, Sister, Aunt, Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Great-grandmother, and Faithful Servant of Jesus. Bonnie was born on June 5th, 1931 in Beaumont, Texas to Benjamin and Hattie Mullen. She was the youngest of four children and attended South Park High School. Bonnie continued her education at Abilene Christian College where she met George Barnard in 1949, on a blind date. The two soul mates were married just two months later and built a foundation for their life with hard work and the blessing of four children. George and Bonnie lived all over Texas and worked hand in hand in their professional and personal lives. No decision was ever made without conferring with each other. George was the frontman, full of ideas, a visionary and dealmaker; Bonnie was the behind-the-scenes manager, responsible for keeping George grounded and facilitating their plans. She began each day in God's Word, reading the Bible cover-to-cover every year, and praying over her lengthy, detailed prayer list. Bonnie loved with purpose, admonished with care, and taught others to do the same. And like George, she exercised her faith through servant leadership. Together they served many organizations—the Schertz Chamber of Commerce, the Samuel Clemens Booster Club, Peach Valley Christian Youth Camp, Randolph Church of Christ, Kerrville Church of Christ, Boerne Church of Christ, Medina Children's Home, Christian Heritage School, Global City Mission Initiative, and mission work in Brazil and Mexico.

At a time when many women were without a voice, both George and Bonnie imparted to their children the influence and leadership of women as daughters of God. Bonnie taught each of her children to pray, and later passed those lessons to her grandchildren. George and Bonnie were blessed to travel across the country upon retirement and Bonnie photographed every magical moment. George and Bonnie loved their time at Kerrville Church of Christ where George served as deacon and elder, and Bonnie taught Ladies Bible Class. Each summer, Bonnie and George welcomed their youngest grandchildren to their ranch, where they hosted "Grandcamp"—a week of activities and Bible study in the Texas Hill Country. Bonnie kept the busy campers bathed and nourished, and recorded all their activities. She made scrapbooks for her "grandcampers," capturing details of their many hijinks, along with the lessons. They later moved to Boerne and served at the Boerne Church of Christ where they were enduringly loved and supported. Bonnie was preceded in death by George, her loving husband of more than 72 years and survived by her greatest legacy, her four children (Bruce, Gary, Tresa, Wayne) and their spouses, nine amazing grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. Bonnie and George will be honored in the upcoming months with the opening and dedication of the Barnard Learning Center at the Arms of Hope-Medina Campus. Bonnie and George served others in life, and the family feels privileged to continue that legacy of service with this exciting new facility. ■

Alex Flores (1992-2021)



Arms of Hope was devastated with the loss of Alex Flores. Alex had a smile that could light up the world and his gentle spirit brought joy to all of those he called friends, which were many. He passed from this earth unexpectedly on January 25th at the age of 28. Alex was born in Corpus Christi, was an amazing role model to his 6 nieces and nephews and is survived by a large and loving family. He had a heart of gold, always lent a helping hand and was the most dependable young man you'd ever meet. Alex was a walking and talking "Google". Got a question about anything? Ask Alex, he knows, and usually quicker than Google. Alex came to the Medina Campus in the Residential Child Care Program at the age of 14 and thrived from day one. He succeeded in winning UIL events in track, played football, basketball, baseball and loved being a lifeguard at the campus pool. Alex won three awards for one-act play and graduated from Medina High School in 2011 and completed two years of college in the College & Career Program. He loved to write songs and poems and was so proud of his wonderful heritage. Alex loved his time in Medina and wrote in 2013: "I had great house parents who helped me so much and encouraged me to play sports and be involved in theater. Our One-Act Play even won state! In 2011, everyone at Arms of Hope threw me a special surprise party. It wasn't for my birthday or for graduation, it was for being off probation for the first time since I was 9 years old. Most importantly, I became a follower of Jesus Christ and was baptized. I am so thankful to my family and for God putting Arms of Hope in my life." Arms of Hope is also very thankful to God, for putting Alex into our lives. ■

KCC Ladies Bible Class - Wed.
 Mr. & Mrs. Melton Kennedy
 Don Lowrance
 Mark Mullis
 Todd Holbrooks Family
 Lewis, Royale
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Lippert, Fred
 Karen Musslewhite
 Long, Mike
 James & Sandra Johnson
 Love, Hazel
 James & Patsy Heaberlin
 Lumpkin, E.H. & Lela
 Corning Smith & Wilson Mgmt.
 Luster, Vaughn D.
 Kevin & Lisa Green
 Madero, Dorothy
 Karla McGowan
 Maguire, William Edward Jr.
 James & Ganelle Ford
 Mallory, Stan
 Angela Moreland
 Malone, Pat
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Marjiano, Giuseppa Maria
 Francesca Carsiglia
 Sal Brown
 Marshall, Orien Bain
 Gregory Marshall Duncan
 Martin, Perry
 Dallas & Darla Dill
 Matthews, Tom K.
 Dee & Bill Mann
 Matus, Mary
 Jeremy & Allison Green
 Maxey, Elbertine "Ebb"
 Brenda & Kevin Chilcoat
 Mayfield, Alec "Tiny"
 Robert Baxter
 Mayfield, Mildred
 June Carter
 Sam & Heather Carter
 Steve & Michelle Carter
 Clear Lake City Elementary
 Lois A. Hahl
 Stephanie Howell & Family
 Mayfield, Mildred English
 Michael & Kelly Maloney
 McCain, David
 Jim & Ridgey McKillop
 McCamey, Wayne
 Rene' Bailey
 Louis & Carole Nance
 McCannies, Johnny
 Scott Blake
 McCann, Forrest
 G. Randy Nicholson
 McClendon, Grace
 Linda Cause
 McCormick, Beecher
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 McCreary, Charles
 James & Wanda Rundell
 McDaniel, Aubrey
 Pat & Wanda Murphy
 McDaniel, Sharon K.
 Dallas Fire-Rescue Depart.
 McFarland, Pauline
 Janice Mizell
 McGee, Faye Hall
 Cindy & Fred Nix
 McHargue, Chuck L.
 James & Jeannine Brown
 McLeod, Jake
 Glynatta Richie
 McWatters, Charles F.
 Philda M. Boswell
 Darlene Kilpatrick
 Meek, Rosemarie
 Michael & Teresa Garatoni
 Messick, Liz
 Robert Baxter
 Steve & Laurie Sawyer
 Mihalopoulos, Maryann
 Uptown Cheap skate
 Colleyville, LLC
 Miller, Doris
 Glenda Bentley
 Miller, Jeanette
 Leonard & Myra Kent
 Miller, Matt
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Miller, Michael Christopher
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Minster, Lt. Col. Daniel
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 Mitchell, Ethel
 Pat & Wanda Murphy
 Montgomery, Mac
 Jim & Carol Hudson
 Montgomery, Neal
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Jim & Mary Alice West
 Moore, Nancy
 Jackie Box
 Kelli Wisenhunt
 Morrison, Jim
 G. Randy Nicholson
 Muckelroy, Bob
 Steve & Laurie Sawyer
 Munday, Ann
 Alan & Martha Babcock
 Neal, Greg
 Malea Ingram
 Nealy, Cass
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Nestelroad, Dolores
 Kim & Jan Graebner
 Neumann, Dr. L. P.
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Nevil, Ellen
 Park Avenue Church of Christ
 Martha Ladies Class
 Nicholson, G. Randy
 ACU College of Business
 Administration
 Dale Brown
 Brownlie & Braden Advisors
 Dewayne Chitwood
 Lance & Angie Cowart
 Don & Carol Crisp
 Jay & Peggy Fry
 Jack & Ann Griggs
 Randall & Karen Huey
 Weldon Martin
 Ray McGlothlin, Jr.
 Roland & Jeri Orr
 Scott & Carol Parker
 Alan Rich
 Jack & Karen Rich
 Anne Howard Rose
 Irwin Sentilles
 Angela Templeton
 Franklin Upp
 Douglas Wheeler
 Nix, Sam
 Jeff & Randa Upp
 Noble, Sara McNeel
 Alan & Martha Babcock
 Norman, Lowell
 Ann Hooper Lovell
 Norred, Charles Edward
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Odom, Mary Banks
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Oehlert, Millie Sue
 Stanley Dmytrowitz
 Debra Locke
 James & Cheryl Lorhan
 Fred & Peggy Massey
 Overstreet, Charles
 Karen A. Lewark
 Owens, John Lee & Jack
 Sue Scott
 Page, Dan
 Nancy Benson
 Al & Linda Fannin
 Pamplin, Leonard
 Ethel Kern
 Pamplin, Pat
 Ethel Kern
 Parents of Shannon Wright,
 Michael Hanlon
 Parish, Bill & Betty
 Alvis Ashley
 Parish, Jim
 Jerry & Mimzi Horn
 Jim & Karen Stevens
 Richard & Skeeter Stevens
 Parks, Margaret
 Anne Howard Buchanan
 Patrick, Gay Beth
 Ernest & Martha Hernandez
 Patterson, James C.
 Miguel & Linda Ponce
 Patterson, Jim
 Sharon Israel
 Patton, Charlie
 Ethel Kern
 Perry, Bob
 Steve & Laurie Sawyer
 Pierce, George
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 Pike, JoAnn
 Janet Moody
 Pipkin, Thomas Alvin
 Mike Pipkin
 Player, Ruth
 Billy & Sylvia McClendon
 Poindexter, Eddie
 John & Valerie Poindexter
 Porter, Marcella
 Roy & Alice Worthy
 Posey, Carol Ann Wheeler
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Powell, Shane Odom
 Anlene Odom
 Preble, Harry E., M.D..
 Josephine Preble
 Presley, Enos R.
 Presley, Enos Jr.
 Presley, Nellie L.
 Enos Presley Jr.
 Pressler, Dodie Lynn
 Shelley Walker
 Preston, Hermie
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Price, Ben
 Jim & Susan Wilson
 Priede, Norma
 PFG Midland/Mickey Ray
 Prigg, Bertie
 Floyd & Carol Haskett
 Prihoda, Fred

Glenda Houston
 Quillen, Christopher
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Rabb, Craig
 Foster & Glenda Ramsey
 Ramey, Patsy
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Ramsey, Bob
 Chuck & Mindy Nichols
 Reed, Wilson
 Mr. & Mrs. Garry Graham
 Reeves, James
 Carolyn Fox
 Reichenau, Mandy & Rebel
 Duane & Suzanne Mock
 John & Cheryl Rich
 Reynolds, Glenda
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Rheudasil, Jane
 Mark Rheudasil
 Ricks, Marilyn
 Pearsall Livestock Auction
 Riggs, Linda
 Fred & Barbara Bowlin
 Riggs, Dr. Mark
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Riley, W.E. & Betty
 Michael Hise
 Rivas, Jr., Fermin
 Mickey Ray
 Roberts, Beverly
 Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Felps
 Roberts, Carrie Jo
 Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Felps
 Robertson, Charlene
 Patsy Vaughan
 Rogers, Bill
 Lance Leonard
 Frances Poehl
 Rogers, Tom
 Butch & Linda Merriman
 Rose, Billy
 Peggy Fuston
 Alfreda Williams
 Salmon, Jerry
 Mike & Drew Stringfellow
 Sample, Don
 Sue Sample
 Jackie F. Sanders
 Sanders, Beth
 Jim & Wanda Rundell
 Sanders, Shirley
 Elkhart Church of Christ
 - Ladies Bible Class
 Scott, Gerald
 Cathey Harwell
 Scott, Jerry
 Art Dean
 Seals, Georgia
 Louis & Carole Nance
 Segala, Marco
 Linda G. Cause
 Semanek, Marcos
 Jodeen Aven
 Shahan, James T. "Happy"
 & Virginia
 Tully & Darlene Shahan
 Shearer, Gerry
 Wayne & Pam Wylie
 Shelby
 Mom & Dad
 Shell, Etta Lea
 Dickie & Ann Robertson
 Sherrill, O'Dell
 Maurya E. Hill

Shults, Kathy
 Louis & Carole Nance
 Shutt, Larrell
 Dorla Shutt
 Skelton, Paul Sr.
 Tommy Shugart
 Smith, Donald Claude
 Curtis & Molly Bedrich
 Smith, George Lee
 Community Group
 c/o Michael & Nancy Bradford
 Smith, Jeff & Carol
 RuthAnn Jones
 Smith, John Arthur
 RuthAnn Jones
 Smith, Mary
 Rex & Malissa Baugh
 Smyres, Ronald Lynn Jr.
 Linda Gentry
 Smyres, Ronald Lynn Sr.
 Linda Gentry
 Solly, Robert
 Lumberton Church of Christ
 Sorenson, Mildred
 Billy & Sylvia McClendon
 Sowders, Shirley
 Elkhart Church of Christ
 Ladies Bible Class
 Sowle, Chris
 Leonard & Myra Kent
 Spencer, Joe
 Randolph & Lori Parks
 Spencer, Liz Guillory
 Curtis & Molly Bedrich
 Spires, Marie
 Deborah Fleming
 Squire, Julie
 Gary & Virginia Wagner
 Stalcup, Billy
 Nora Carswell
 Stamps, Alvin Garner Jr.
 Joyce Frashier
 Stinson, Maureen
 Stephanie Brown
 Betty Wier
 Stites, Mildred
 Lynda Jennings
 Stone, Gene
 Roger & Tanja Abraham
 Al & Rebecca Hastings
 Stone, Martha
 Ethel Kern
 Stork, Peggy
 Larry & Patricia Chandler
 Stroud, Hallie
 David & Betty Duncan
 David & Jennifer Trout
 Lewisville Church of Christ
 Stutsman, Don
 Steve & Rene' Bailey
 Summerlin, Jim & Peggy
 Lewisville Church of Christ
 Sweeney, Sandra
 Karla McGowan
 Taylor, Evelyn
 Memorial Church of Christ
 Lori & Tom Messick
 Paul & Margaret McCormack
 Taylor, Rick
 Jeff Glass
 Teel, Ken
 Rob & Detra Scheele
 Thompson, Maribeth
 Brenda Glass
 Thompson, Mary Beth

Alan & Martha Babcock
 Thurman, Walker
 Shane Gower
 Tindle, Billie Jean
 Luella Dufner
 Joy Pipe c/o Thomas Bibb
 Alisa Kennedy
 Danna Kohleffel
 Tindle, Sherman D.
 Sharon Clingman
 Todd, Mary
 Kay & Allen Richards
 Trull, Hazel
 Karla McGowan
 Trybyszewski, Janee
 Carolyn Fox
 Turner, Jack
 Howe Church of Christ
 Urban, Rhett
 Paul Urban
 Varner, Dr. Larry
 Stephen & Marlene Moore
 Vickrey, Dixie
 Joel Green
 Wade, Betty
 Nora Carswell
 Wade, Leslie Kay
 Judy Clay
 Wakefield, Jenny
 Jim & Sherry Cattan
 Walton, Dolores
 Robert & Nelda Allen
 Jodeen Aven
 Patricia Jones
 Don & Linda Roberts
 Steve Sargent
 South Church of Christ
 39ers
 Kim Burke Taylor
 Walton, Dolores Ann
 Sandy Jennings
 Webb, Luann
 Glynatta Richie
 Wells, Brenda Nicole
 Carolyn Wells
 Westbrook, Wally
 Nora Carswell
 Doug & Debbie Dobbs
 Butch & Linda Merriman
 Wheeler, Cloyd
 Kip & Sandy Gibbs
 White, Russ
 Dale & Laura White
 Wier, Betty
 Glenda Houston
 Wilborn, Janis
 Keith & Julia Alleman
 Wilhite, Russell
 Dale & Laura White
 Wilkins, John Howard
 Tom Windham
 Williams, Jimmy
 N. H. Williams
 Williams, Peggy
 Chuck & Shannon Boyer
 Williams, Sloan
 Sam Sparks
 Williams, Tex
 Melton & Anna Kennedy
 Williams, Jr., Noel E.
 N. H. Williams
 Wilson, Thelma Nadine
 Andy & Shirley Roberson
 Wise, Mary
 Mickey & Shawna Spencer

Randy Nicholson (1937-2021)



Arms of Hope lovingly remembers our former Boles Campus resident, Boles Board Director and Arms of Hope Board Director, Randy Nicholson. He was born on June 10th, 1937 in Hobbs, New Mexico to Walter Vaughn and Emma Nicholson. At the age of 18 months, he and his siblings were placed at Boles Children's Home. There, Randy learned the importance of faith and hard work. He earned the highest award in FFA and graduated high school in 1955. Randy then attended Abilene Christian College where he met an amazing woman that would change his life. Barbara Hart and her family accepted Randy as their own and her parents provided a model of Christian marriage and family. Randy and Barbara married in November of 1957. He earned an accounting degree in 1959 and then sold his practice in 1963 to begin work with the McGlothlin family. Randy had unique business experiences including working for Radio London (a pirate radio station off the coast of London), Bank of Commerce, Gibson's Discount Stores, and The Pancake House, to name a few. Randy is nationally known for E-Z Serve and AutoGas Systems, Inc.'s pay-at-the-pump concept. One of Randy's favorite scriptures was Psalms 27:10: "Even if my mother and father leave me, the Lord will take me in." Randy and Barbara served many widows and widowers, as well as, blessed deployed soldiers by regularly sending care packages. Randy was preceded in death by Barbara, his parents, in-laws and his siblings. He is survived by his daughter, Randa, and her husband, Jeff of Abilene; grandson, Braden, of Houston; a cousin and several nieces and nephews. Randy leaves a legacy of compassion, generosity, and love for the Lord. ■

Charlie Roberts (1953-2021)



Arms of Hope-Boles Campus mourns the loss of a true friend of our residents and staff. Charles Edward Roberts was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas on October 16, 1953, but raised in Elkhart, Indiana. He was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War where he served honorably on the east coast. He and his wife Melissa were married nearly 20 years and for twelve of those years they served together on the Boles Campus. They served together in a variety of roles that included: house parenting, maintenance, and most recently, commissary. Charlie was a man that was always eager to show the love of Jesus to any staff member or resident that walked into the commissary and they usually left with a smile on their face. Everyone from the Boles 7:30 am coffee crew will especially miss getting to hear Charlie's military stories as well as life up north in Indiana. Charlie was a man that worked hard, loved Jesus, loved his family, and loved the people on this campus. Boles Campus is a better place for getting to borrow Charlie for twelve wonderful years. Charlie is survived by his wife Melissa, their children: Chase, Nick, and Ashley, and their grandchildren: Bella, Cole, CJ, Hunter, Bradley, Nathan, Davion and Aniyah. ■

Wissel, David
Leonard & Myra Kent
Wolf, Paul H.
James & Madeline Kelley
Womack, Bryan Ray
Dana K. Hoog

Woodcock, Buddy
Juanita Beck
Wright, Beryl
Robert Edwards
Highland Church of Christ
Kenneth & Caroline Kensing

Rod & Kathy Leard
Dickie & Ann Robertson
Camille Sandusky
Julianne Smith
Wyse, David
Jeff & Randa Upp
Yeaman, M.D. "Shorty"
Nora Carswell
Zicafoose, Betty
Michael Miller

Honors

Anderson, Frank
Nelson & Karla Anderson
Anderson, Marlene
Nelson & Karla Anderson
Arreguin, Steve
Chad Warner
Barnett, Renee & Shep
Wanda Arnold
Baxter, Bryce & Jennifer
Laura Obuchowski
Baxter, Hannah
Robert Baxter
Baxter, LaVonne
Robert Baxter
Laura Obuchowski
Baxter, Michelle
Robert Baxter
Laura Obuchowski
Booker, Novelene
Ronald Booker
Carter, Linda
Judy Campbell
Downing, Pat
David & Jennifer Trout
Dyess, Kay
Delisa Dyess
Edwards, MaryAnn
Everett Combs
Errica
Steve Rhidenour
Flores-Arenas, Melissa
Lillie & Armando Flores
Fox, Judy
Jennifer Haskell
Fullerton, Lucy
Cliff Fullerton
God
Janeen Crisp
Green, Julie
Linda Rindler
Greene, Terry
Meghan Clark
Griffith, Verna
George & Cindy Griffith
Herd, Woody
Bonnie Barthold
Howard, Arick & Janet
Martha Spell
Howard, Dahl & Gail
Karen Fair
Huddleston, Kevin & Shelly
David & Jennifer Timm
Jesus Christ
Jordan Miller
Sandra Nash
Isabella Wu
Johnson, Tommy
Brooke Johnson
Kirk, Buddy & Latrelle

Tedi & Chuck Ellison
Montague, Kristin &
Medina Elementary Students
Helen Sehon
Lewis, Ronnie & Sue
Tuggle & Russell, LLC
Ligon, Wanelle
Lee Booker
McCall, Karen
Blake & Suzanne Phillips
Martin, Charlotte & Conrad
Clay & Geana Bassham
Minick, Sophie
Karen Barnes
NTMC Administration, Patient
Financial Services &
Accounting Departments
Gary Calvert
Obuchowski, William & Laura
Robert Baxter
Orms, Jeanette
Carol Miller
Overmeyer, Wade
Gordon Goodier
Pannell, Teresa Bragg
David Trout
Parkey, Larry
Peggy Parkey

Paulk, Sylvia
E.P. Hall
Preston, Jim R.
Tish Crahen
Putnam, Dave & Mark
John Putnam
Robertson, Dickie & Ann
Nancy Riley
Robertson, Troy
Paul Urban
Rutledge, Pud & Jeri
Lisa Murphy
Smith, Britni Michele
Debra Jones
Stumbo, Scott
Paul Urban
U.S. Government
Joel Derrough
Vickery, Royce & Rudine
David, Lini & Mickey Carnes
Wall, Norris
Freda Wall
Wilks, Wayne & Pat
Mr. & Mrs. G. Keith
Bickham, Jr.
Williams, Bobbie Christian
Richard & Debbie Christian

Christmas Blessings



Arms of Hope missed having as many groups visit our campuses due to COVID-19, but we are thankful for the many toys and gift cards our supporters sent our kids.

Kerrville Golf Tournament



The Kerrville Golf Tournament was a huge success! We had to cancel the 2020 tournament due to Covid, but the 2021 event had the most participants in our tournament's history. The golfers were treated to a safe and fun day that also helped provide much needed funds for the children and single-mother families in our care. Thank you to our most generous sponsors for underwriting the tournament and to STRIKE for once again providing an amazing lunch for all.





Sporting Clay Tournament



It was a great day at the San Antonio Sporting Clay Tournament! The shooters were taking aim in destroying cycles of abuse and neglect after having this event canceled last year due to the pandemic. There were a full slate of teams and a great lunch provided by the STRIKE food truck. Thank you to all of our sponsors and a special thanks to Valero for once again blessing this event with their title sponsorship. We look forward to seeing everyone back out on the course in 2022!





Thank you to Arms of Hope's wonderful supporters! Because of their generosity, our residents went on Wilderness Trek, took mission trips and attended summer camp! Last year, 130 children, our largest number to date, from our campuses and Family Outreach Centers experienced a fantastic Christian summer camp

in 2021! Camp is an amazing time for our children to participate in activities that they have not done before. They make amazing new friends from all over the state and most importantly, grow closer to Jesus with many baptisms each year! We are already excited about what God has in store for camp in 2022!

Summer Ministry 2021



Fund-A-Need

Daily Needs for Arms of Hope Residents

*Includes food, clothing, shelter, school activities, loving house parents, medical/dental care and other necessities. 150 Children per year on the Boles and Medina Campuses
\$75 per day per resident, \$2,000 per month, \$25,000 per year*

Counseling for All Program Participants

*Christian Licensed Professional Counselors
\$70 per session (reduced rate), \$280 per month / \$2,700 per year*

Daycare

Arms of Hope's Boles & Medina Campuses have 125 children in both state licensed daycares each day, which allows our single mothers to attend college or technical training. The 20 full-time staff members follow a Christian Curriculum and each child participates in devotionals. They receive meals and snacks each day.

\$500,000 Per Year Total Operational Cost

Cost Per Year Per Child - \$4,000

Cost Per Month Per Child - \$350

Cost Per Week Per Child- \$80

Family Outreach Center

*Support a family's physical needs in one of Arms of Hope Family Outreach Centers in Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Houston or San Antonio. Needs range from rental assistance, food, utilities, school supplies, etc. - \$1,500 a year / \$125 a month
Counseling and Case Management - \$500 per family per year*

Summer Camp

Over 125 Arms of Hope children participate in week-long, quality Christian Summer Camps each year.

Activities include rock climbing, rappelling, zip-lines, Christian devotionals, etc. Arms of Hope residents attend with nine churches (300 children) from across Texas. Each year, many Arms of Hope children are baptized at camp. Lifelong memories, friends and connections are made and camp is truly an experience of a lifetime.

Cost - \$450 Per High School/Junior High

Cost - \$150 Per Elementary School Child

Arms of Hope

Charity Sporting Clay Tournament

San Antonio 2022

Targeting destructive cycles of homelessness, abuse, neglect and human trafficking.

National Shooting Complex
 5931 Roft Road, San Antonio - Saturday, May 21, 2022
 Registration - 8 a.m. Shoot Begins - 9 a.m.
 Awards, Auction & Lunch - 12 noon

For additional information email saevents@armsofhope.org

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Annual Kerrville Charity Drive Golf Tournament

Monday, April 18, 2022
Comanche Trace Golf Club

Registration & Lunch 11:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start, 4 Person Scramble 12:30 p.m.

Registration Available Online - ArmsOfHope.org

COMANCHE TRACE

For additional information email kerrevents@armsofhope.org

Carrying on the Legacy of Barbara & Randy Nicholson



Randa Nicholson Upp

Randy Nicholson's passing sent a shock wave through our Arms of Hope community because he and his wife Barbara were adored by so many in our Arms of Hope family. However, we are pleased to announce that the Nicholson Family legacy will continue with the appointment of Randa Upp, Randy and Barbara's daughter, to the Board of Directors. Randa lives in Abilene with her husband Jeff (pictured above). They are so proud of their son, Brayden, who lives in Houston and works in the Oil & Gas Industry. Randa graduated from Abilene Christian University with a bachelors degree and received a masters degree from Arizona State University.

Randa proudly states, "I learned from my Dad that everyone deserves a chance. It doesn't matter where you started. It doesn't matter about your current circumstances. What matters is what you do with that chance. He also taught me that when your situation seems the darkest, look to Him. Pray that God will give you just enough light for the next step. We don't have to see the whole plan, we just have to trust Him and take the next step and surround yourself with people who encourage you to be a better Christian, a better student, a better friend and a better parent. Arms of Hope embodies these principles by giving each person a chance regardless of their past, by pointing them to God, and by surround-

ing them and encouraging them to be better today than they were yesterday. I am the beneficiary of what Arms of Hope does on a day-to-day basis. I had a father whose only example was what he saw at Boles Children's Home, which is now known as Arms of Hope - Boles Campus. Because of what he witnessed there, I had a father who always gave me a chance and expected me to do something with it, who taught me about the Lord and encouraged me to be better each day."

Our Arms of Hope community is blessed to have Randa Nicholson Upp serving on our board and we look forward to her carrying on the legacy of her parents. ■



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