

# 2023 Fact Sheet & Impact Report



Helping Hand Home for Children provides a safe haven for children healing from physical, emotional and sexual abuse, neglect, or abandonment. We deliver a nationally accredited continuum of services that includes:

- Therapeutic Residential Treatment
- Education at On-site U.T. Charter School
- Foster Care Program
- Adoption Program
- Family Support Program

With private and community support, we fulfill our mission of healing the most vulnerable children and restoring them to healthy families.

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## OUR SUCCESS

**91%** of children achieved placement stability in foster families

**82%** of children completed residential treatment and were restored to a family setting

**207** adoptions facilitated and completed since 2010

## OPERATIONAL & SERVICE STATISTICS

### Residential Services

<b>11,250</b>	Days of Care
<b>47</b>	Children Served
<b>885</b>	Therapy Hours
<b>413</b>	Medical Appointments
<b>18,375</b>	Charter School Education Hours
<b>83,115</b>	Meals and Snacks Prepared
<b>2,970</b>	Enrichment Activities and Field Trips
<b>670</b>	Average Length of Stay (days)

### Foster Care & Adoption

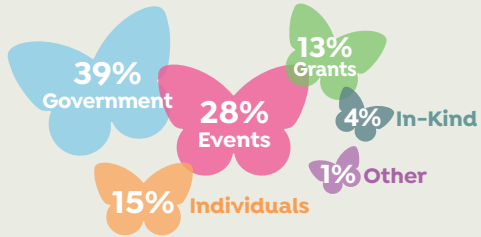
<b>18,203</b>	Days of Care
<b>134</b>	Children Served
<b>185</b>	Foster and Adoptive Parents Served
<b>3,531</b>	Training Hours to Foster and Adoptive Parents
<b>191</b>	Average Length of Stay (days)

### Residential Services + Foster Care & Adoption

<b>10,894</b>	Volunteer Hours
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## FUNDING SOURCES

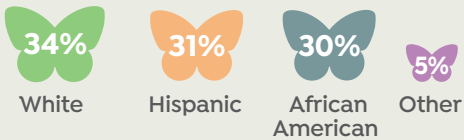


## EXPENSES

Program costs were 84% of expenses, management and fundraising 16%.

## ABOUT THE CHILDREN WE SERVE

### Ethnicity



### Ages



**75% Enrolled in Special Education in our Charter School**



# Success Stories

Helping Hand Home licensed Casey and Robert Nicholson as foster/adoptive parents in 2015. With their oldest child, they welcomed Khloe and Kassidy as a foster placement when the girls were six months and 18 months old. They adopted the girls the following year! Robert was a Staff Sergeant with the U.S. Army, and the family successfully managed many deployments while dealing with the complexities and stress of a growing family. The family was adjusting well to life as a family of five. However, in 2018 they felt a calling to help more children. They contacted the Home again and together with our staff realized how Kayden, a little boy who needed a home, would be the perfect addition to their family. Kayden spent his three years in foster care with numerous question marks surrounding his unique needs and little follow-through for much needed services and interventions. That is until he met the Nicholson family. They quickly discovered that, what many people prior to them had assumed was a result of Kayden's developmental disabilities and intelligence, was actually a hearing problem. All family members joined an American Sign Language class to be able to communicate with Kayden, and the parents began researching medical procedures to help Kayden. Though Kayden still has a long road ahead, Helping Hand Home knows that, whatever obstacles this family may face, the family will rise above together!



Ryan, arriving at Helping Hand Home for Children (HHH) at age 11, had faced the challenges of the foster care system since the age of six, with multiple placements, different schools and bottled-up emotions. With the support of HHH's residential treatment center, he began his healing, learning healthier ways to manage emotions and rebuild trust in adults. After gaining confidence and increasing trust in others, he started hoping for a family and dreaming of becoming a soccer player. His goal-oriented determination led him to a placement with a family, but this first match was not successful. The failed placement triggered familiar feelings of abandonment for Ryan. During the transition, he was placed in respite care with foster parent Nikki Hempe. The placement with Nikki was temporary, which was yet another familiar feeling. Something that had been missing before, however, started to fall into place while living with her. Under Nikki's care, his personality started to shine through, and he embraced normal teenage activities, like playing video games, getting together with friends, and playing soccer. He started to believe that Nikki loved him for who he was. Due to past negative experiences, however, he also thought, "this is too good to be true." With time and support from HHH's family support program, Ryan accepted that, for once in his life, he was loved unconditionally. Ryan was adopted by Nikki on December 12, 2023, after eight years in care. At the adoption ceremony he was surrounded by his family, his friend squad, and his HHH Team. His remarkable journey serves as an inspiration, demonstrating the transformative power of resilience, therapeutic care, and unconditional support.

