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## Letter from the President and CEO



“For God has not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.”

- 2 Timothy 1:7.

Dear Friends of Arms of Hope,

I want you to know that everyday this ministry does its very best to live out the above scripture during times of uncertainty and storms. Be confident that while living through COVID-19, we've used sound mind to follow guidelines, put in checks and controls, and used the available information at hand. Be even more confident that our ministry walks in that spirit of power and love and prays daily for God to crush the spirit of fear. Too much is at stake for the hundreds of precious children

and single mothers on our campuses and cries from hundreds of families in desperate need at our Family Outreach Centers for us not to step up and continue being the hands and feet of Jesus. Invaluable counseling and case management has continued. Our children now more than ever need the love provided at our Learning Centers. Arms of Hope's Family Outreach Centers in San Antonio, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth and Denton are responding to numerous needs of families in extreme crisis. Our hearts cried out for them, God's spirit of power and love prevailed and we see such blessings arising from the storm! Despite COVID-19, we've had graduations and breakthroughs in counseling, but the best news of all... we've had new followers of Christ. God took what the enemy had planned for darkness and destroyed it with light! Your generosity to this ministry allows us to try our absolute hardest to walk in this way and I thank you for your trust. When I first began this journey as CEO, our Board Chair challenged me to come up with my hopes for this amazing ministry. I wrote that I wanted us to always put the spiritual health of our residents (evangelism & discipleship) above all else, even in times of fear and hardship. Please know that if you trust us with your generosity, your Return On Investment is that we will always strive to do everything within our power to share the love of Jesus to our children, even during a storm. As always, it is my joy to present to you the Annual Report. Fiscal Year 2020 has been a banner year for Arms of Hope, which shows that God is continuing to use this great ministry to bless those in desperate need of his love!

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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household items  
to help Arms of Hope.

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## How can you help?

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**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.

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**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](http://RecycleForChildren.org).

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

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**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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**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.

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

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**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.

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**Wish List** - Check out our wish list at [ArmsOfHope.org](http://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.

# Making an Old House a New Home



Two years ago, Arms of Hope started the “Make a House into a Home” Capital Campaign. With children in our Residential Child Care Program and families in our Together Program living in aging houses that were safe, but over fifty years old, we needed to remodel those houses into beautiful homes. This helped Arms of Hope show our residents just how much they are loved and appreciated.

With the incredible generosity of individuals, private foundations and churches, we have completed \$1.5M of this \$2M campaign! Cottages and single mother homes on both campuses now have updated flooring, bathrooms, kitchens, plumbing, appliances, windows, doors, paint, electrical systems and landscaping.

The Galindo family is a thankful recipient of this blessing. Krystel recalls, “We were on the verge of becoming

homeless. I was pregnant with my fourth baby and had a high-risk pregnancy. For months I stood in lines at food banks just to get enough food for us. I called places and exhausted all resources just to make ends meet. I could not allow my kids to go hungry. When I learned about Arms of Hope while facing eviction, I remember thinking to myself that it was too good to be true. We went from a 1 bedroom/1 bathroom apartment to a beautifully remodeled 3 bedroom/2 bathroom home. I will never forget the day we arrived. That night we cried happy tears. We’ve never been fortunate enough to live in such a beautiful home. Arms of Hope saved us. They have given me a second chance at furthering my education and being successful in life! I’m going back to school to earn a teaching degree. AOH has helped us become more spiritual. They’re setting us up for success. It still feels surreal and is a dream come true. This place is literally giving me

all the tools I need to be successful and a better provider for my family!”

Ashton on the Boles Campus joyfully says about his cottage, “It’s better than any motel I’ve ever had to stay at!”

House Mom Jasmine states, “The brand new home makes the kids feel loved and appreciated!”

Thank you to our amazing supporters for fulfilling the dream to “Make a House into a Home” for those in desperate need of love and self-worth.

If you would like to help us finish this worthy initiative by remodeling one of our residences, please contact Troy Robertson at [troberson@armsofhope.org](mailto:troberson@armsofhope.org). This is a return on your investment of giving that you will be proud of for years to come. What a great way to leave a legacy!

# AOH Graduates



Medina Campus High School Graduates



Boles Kindergarten Graduates



Mia & Brittany



River

River graduated from Boles High School and is staying in the College & Career Program to attend Royce City Dental School. "Arms of Hope gave me the home I never had," stated River.



Cherie

Congratulations to Cherie on the Medina Campus for completing her Bachelor's Degree in Communications!



Jalah

Jalah is a widow and mother of 11 year old Angelina. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Houston with a degree in Psychology. She found the Family Outreach Center in 2016 after her daughter attended VBS at Impact. Jalah gained money management skills, completed parenting classes along with spiritual support from our dedicated staff.



Brittany

Brittany and her precious daughter Mia have been loved by their AOH family since the day they arrived on the Medina Campus. After years of incredible hard work, Brittany is now a fully Licensed Vocational Nurse. "Arms of Hope helped me when I needed it the most. They introduced me to God and were instrumental in helping me grow in my faith. I wouldn't be the confident Christian woman and mother I am today without AOH."

# Congratulations to Arm



Way to go Brittany on the Boles Campus for completing her Associate's Degree in Business. She is now working towards her Bachelor's Degree at Texas A&M Commerce.



Samantha worked hard to complete her GED.



Stephanie is a single mother of two at our Denton Family Outreach Center. She works full time, attended Texas Community College, and home schooled her children during the pandemic while progressing through our program to the fullest. She obtained an Associate Degree of Arts and will be attending Texas Woman's University in the fall working on a bachelors degree.



Congratulations to Christy on the Boles Campus for completing her Phlebotomy Certification. She will now pursue her Registered Nursing License and we are honored to walk along side this family while they pursue a better life.



RJ graduated from Medina High School and is now in the College & Career Program pursuing his dream of becoming an EMT.



So proud of Hannah on the Boles Campus who was awarded an internship at Supreme Lending in Greenville. She is currently working on a Business Technology certificate at Trinity Valley Community College and this internship will help her find a great job after she graduates.



Abby graduated from Boles High School and is pursuing her dream of becoming a nurse. "Arms of Hope is a caring organization and they were always there for me when I needed help the most. I wouldn't be the young woman I am today if it weren't for AOH," recalls Abby.



Congratulations to Delissya on the Medina Campus who graduated with her Cosmetology Degree from Milan Institute in San Antonio.



Brianna graduated Salutatorian from Medina with a 4.0 GPA. She has entered the College and Career Program and was accepted into the Honors Program at Schreiner University where she will be playing softball and working on her teaching degree.

# Arms of Hope's Graduates



*Janessa*

Janessa graduated from Boles High School and is remaining in the College & Career Program. She is attending Paris Junior College, majoring in Business. "Arms of Hope is the safest place that I've been. They have provided me so many great opportunities and I always prayed for a home like this," said Janessa.



*Shannel*

Shannel graduated from Medina High School and is excited about pursuing her dream of becoming a nurse.



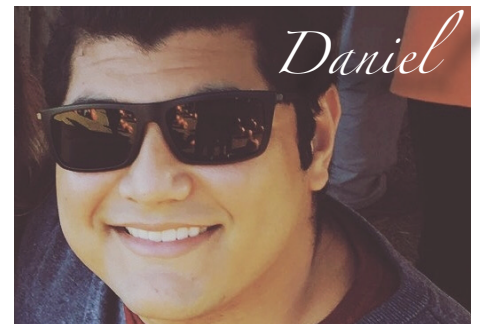
*Bonnie*

Bonnie obtained her GED and driver's license and finished cosmetology school. Her faith has grown by attending church every Sunday and her children are thriving. Bonnie said, "I am a better mother and Christian because of Arms of Hope and I will be forever grateful!"



*Monica*

Monica obtained her Master's in Public Health. She and her daughter came to the San Antonio Family Outreach Center in 2016 while homeless. AOH helped her financially during serious medical illnesses and provided case management, bill payment, counseling and spiritual healing.



*Daniel*

Daniel graduated with his Master's Degree in Divinity. "I am who I am today because of those who poured hope into my life, taking a broken boy and shaping him into a man of God," recalls Daniel.



*Ana*

Ana from the Denton Family Outreach Center graduated with her Associate of Arts. She and her two beautiful children have conquered mountains in multiple areas. She has now transferred to Texas Woman's University and is working on her Bachelor's Degree in Business. We are so excited to celebrate this accomplishment with Ana and her children.



*Elizabeth*

Elizabeth was in our Residential Child Care Program and received support in college. She graduated from King's College in New York with her Bachelor's Degree!



*Kamille*

Kamille came to Arms of Hope at 10 years old, graduated from Medina High School, entered the College & Career Program and has now graduated with a Bachelor's Degree from Texas Tech's School of Nursing in San Antonio. She is a hero at Methodist Medical Center and we are so proud of her hard work and success!

To contact us about supporting our educational programs, please e-mail: [Scholarship@ArmsOfHope.org](mailto:Scholarship@ArmsOfHope.org)

## Educational Accomplishments in Fiscal Year 2020

- 8 High School Graduates
- 15 GEDs & Educational Cert.
- 1,529 completed college hours
- 6 Associates Degrees
- 4 Bachelors Degrees
- 2 Masters Degree

*“Arms of Hope has helped me become the best me!”  
-Olivia*

*Resident  
Spotlight -  
Olivia*



## *Residential Child Care Program*

The best way to describe my life before Arms of Hope is a bit confusing. My name is Olivia and I was adopted at age four from an orphanage in Nigeria.

Before arriving at Arms of Hope, I had a hard time connecting with my family. I would get into fights and made wrong decisions. I can remember one time when I stole a teacher's phone from my school. I was getting in trouble all of the time. It's not that I was trying to get in trouble, but I wasn't trying to do the right thing either. I just felt lost and I couldn't figure out my path.

When I came to Arms of Hope, I felt lost all over again. Figuring out how

things worked and meeting new people was tough for me, but after I settled in a bit, I really started enjoying everyone around me and began building good relationships.


Some of my favorite people on campus are my house mom and our campus director. I've really been able to be myself and discover who I am around them. I've also found that talking to my counselor is a good thing! Now I can talk about my thoughts and how I feel. AOH has helped me learn to enjoy the healthy and safe people around me, to learn to have better relationships, and to be an overall better person. Next year I'll be in 8th grade at Boles Middle

School. At school I love to play sports like basketball, volleyball, and track, as well as play in the band. I love to be involved in as much as I can. School is a lot of fun for me.

Today I am not as confused as I once was. Arms of Hope has helped me become the best me! I've done really well at school and I get straight A's. I'd really like to continue playing basketball and eventually want to go to college with a basketball scholarship. I'd also like to be a coach someday. I love playing so much and I just want to help other kids play well and enjoy the game as much as I do. ■



# Resident Spotlight - Salma

A photograph of Salma, a young woman with dark hair and glasses, sitting on a concrete ledge by a body of water. She is wearing a black lace top and dark pants. The background shows a calm lake with trees and hills in the distance under a clear blue sky.

*“Coming here has been the greatest decision I have ever made in my life.” -Salma*

## College & Career Program

My dream when I graduated high school was to attend college at Angelo State University, but sometimes unfortunate things in life happen. For me, family problems occurred and finances wouldn't let me follow those dreams.

My dad was diagnosed with renal failure as his kidneys were only working at 5% when they are supposed to be at least at 50%. He would need to find a kidney donor or receive dialysis three times a week so the treatment could filter out his blood. Each treatment was four hours long. My dad hit rock bottom and so did my family. My father had no choice then but to receive the dialysis until he could be on the transplant list or find a kidney donor. My father was unable to work and my mom had to take care of my father, so my sister and I put our dreams on hold to pay the bills.

I worked during my junior and senior years of high school and tried to attend junior college, but working so many hours was just too much. I made the choice to quit school and went into a very dark place. At that point, my dreams weren't just put on hold, they were over. Or so I thought!

My sister told me about the Arms of Hope College & Career Program and how this wonderful place would help me strengthen my relationship with God and give me the opportunity to continue my college education without the stress of my current situation. I needed this so bad because I was always stressed, unhappy, sad and to the point where I saw no point in living. I was at a very unhealthy stage in my life. I was doing so bad that I started getting physically sick. My relationship with God was very thin. I was just angry at the world.

Coming here has been the greatest decision I have ever made in my life. AOH has brought me nothing but peace, happiness, and most importantly I have built an awesome relationship with my parents and my one and only Lord. I have met wonderful people and made awesome friends. Arms of Hope has such loving and caring staff that have become family. I am so thankful for them because they have helped me through so much.

I am now working on my Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration & Management at Schreiner University with a 3.0 GPA. I can't thank Arms of Hope enough for letting me become a part of this family and giving me the opportunity to continue my education and help me become the woman I am meant to be. ■

# Together Program



*Together Program  
Spotlight-  
Cherie*

***“My ship was sinking and Arms of Hope was my rescue boat. There is so much grace and love here that it is truly remarkable.” - Cherie***

I once thought I had my life together. Living in Little Rock, Arkansas, I was a single mom and full-time college student, while also holding down a full-time job. I had moved into my own downtown apartment and had financed and eventually paid off my car. My grades were decent, and I was considered a good employee. The reality was that I was the captain of a slowly sinking ship.

While I had a full-time income, it still was not enough to support my living expenses. I was dependent upon student loans and my poor financial skills did not help matters. I became stressed and unhappy and began taking many different prescription medications and abusing them to a very dangerous extent. This spiraled out of control and I became a completely different person that my family, friends, and even I didn't know. My son was probably wondering where his mommy was and who this angry, crying, mess of a woman was who took her place. This is so hard to share, but he remembers me passed out on the bathroom floor and he thought I was dead. It breaks my heart

that I was not there for him and that I let myself get to that point at his expense. My grades dropped and I left school, and soon after I was let go from my job. I could not maintain my life anymore.

My half-sister told me about Arms of Hope and the Together Program and she sent me an application. She and her family offered to take my son into their home where he would be safe while I sorted out the wreckage of my life. I wanted to be able to provide for him again so I could be the mom he deserved and needed. I was evicted from my apartment and lost my car. While staying with a neighbor and friend who was helping me, I quit all medications and was coping with withdrawals. I was mentally unstable with paranoia, delusions, and severe anxiety. My speech would stutter and my mind was like a loud beehive. I could hear my heartbeat pounding so loud in my ears that I couldn't even have normal conversations with people. Music in my headphones was the only thing that could make it stop. I was afraid to tell anyone what was happening for fear they would laugh or lock me in

an asylum. With time, and the cease of medicine, I gradually got better and even got a job. However, it was not enough income to be able to provide a home and life for my son who I missed dearly.

I was then accepted into the Together Program in Medina and I bought a one way bus ticket in May 2018. My family brought my son, Devon, a few days later and we were reunited and able to reconnect with each other through that summer in a safe, loving and supportive environment. I enrolled in online classes for the Fall 2018 semester at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and I was able to complete my Bachelor of Arts in Communication in May 2020!

Arms of Hope provided a home for me and my son and I have never felt alone or unsupported. My security, spiritual health, mental health, parenting, and overall wellness have been nurtured and have helped me to grow. My ship was sinking and Arms of Hope was my rescue boat. There is so much grace and love here that it is truly remarkable. ■

*FOC  
Spotlight-  
Adebisi*

# *Family Outreach Centers*



*“I felt loved by this beautiful act of kindness because love has no color.” - Adebisi*

My name is Adebisi and I’m a single mother of four. I come from a large polygamous family. My father had two wives and twelve children. Among all my siblings I was the only one fortunate enough to relocate to the United States. America was always seen as the land of greener pastures and I wanted to pursue the American dream. Even though living here was tough, I hoped for the best. I attended a skill center in Delaware where I received my CNA license.

My family decided to relocate to Texas in December of 2017, hoping for a better life. After getting to San Antonio, we were struggling to manage our bills and we went to the San Antonio Food Bank for assistance. That is where I learned about Arms of Hope and the San Antonio Family Outreach Center. At Arms of Hope, I discovered

that there were many other programs through their community partnership with SA Hope Center. I learned about the GED program and decided to enroll. I was planning on going back to school to further my education, but I wasn’t financially stable and never thought this would be possible for me due to my financial issues and family situation. I became encouraged when I learned about all the educational possibilities that seemed to instantly become a possible reality for me.

Arms of Hope welcomed us with unconditional love. There have been a lot of changes in my life since I found Arms of Hope. I now have the zeal to start over and give this program my all so that I can be a better person.

During the pandemic, Arms of Hope staff was heaven sent, they never let me

feel I was facing anything alone. My caseworker provided me with a safe environment to continue on my path to success and has been a blessing for myself and my family. She even came to my home to drop off some essential items at my doorstep. This really moved me to tears. I felt loved by this beautiful act of kindness because love has no color. Arms of Hope went that extra mile to check up on our well-being and provide God’s spiritual love to our humble family.

I will strive to do better and get the best results for my family’s lives that I can. I want to make myself, my family, and my community proud. I also hope to be able to give back to my community one day, so help me God. ■

# THE CORONA VIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC

## Thriving During the Storm



Arms of Hope has a deep desire to be the hands and feet of Jesus, even during a pandemic storm. When the world stops in so many ways, how does a Christian organization continue to love with the love of Christ?

In John 1:5, we read how the world is hostile to the light (Jesus) and yet Jesus continues to shine in the midst of darkness. We, too, received a similar call during the season of COVID-19. The call on our campuses and in our Family Outreach Centers to work harder came quickly and the dedicated

employees of AOH stepped up in so many different ways that the ripple of that love continues. The Family Outreach Centers doubled and tripled the number of families served. They literally saved lives. Where we continued with the basic levels of care (food, shelter, clothing, etc.), it also meant being creative in a variety of areas such as spiritual opportunities and school. Whether the employees were ministers, case workers, counselors or maintenance staff, they all turned into school teachers to make sure our children got their work for the year finished. Zoom

church services became our norm with individual communion cups. Youth beach retreats were more socially distanced. YouTube videos of great people of faith also became ways of learning about the ways in which God was at work.

Where areas of our campus changed, such as no longer meeting in large numbers, the one thing that did not change was a commitment to one another. Marchell, one of our amazing Licensed Professional Christian Counselors, had to work from home early on



due to more restrictions in the county where she lives, as well as being pregnant with her second child. She recalls, "Residents' safety was a priority and so was mine. I experienced my clients in a new way, because we were conducting counseling in unconventional settings (kitchens, separate vehicles, with children, etc.) It allowed me to get to know my clients in a new light and we were able to get closer to one another. In a different way, COVID-19 was a blessing in disguise." Natalie, the Currey Learning Center Director at Boles, tells this wonderful story, "We were able to

do more projects with smaller groups of children and find new ways to connect and point one another towards Jesus." The level of creativity when it came to care during this interesting time is something of wonder. God, no doubt, had a hand in creating space for new and amazing ways for AOH to love one another and to tell the story of Jesus. At the end of the day when it came time to go the extra mile, AOH met the challenge head on with lots of faith in God and encouragement from our amazing supporters.

Boles Campus Executive Director, Joel Derrough, says it best: "When the whole world pushed pause, AOH staff dug a trench and continued to serve. The staff's workload, stress, and their own personal issues heightened and yet they continued on with love, compassion, and creativity to serve the least of these and to continue with the mission of Arms of Hope."

And the best news of all! God blessed this time during the storm with more new followers of Christ than ever before! ■



# Annual Report

## ORGANIZATIONAL Goals



In a year when the world shut down,  
we took time to enjoy the little things!

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 158 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.*

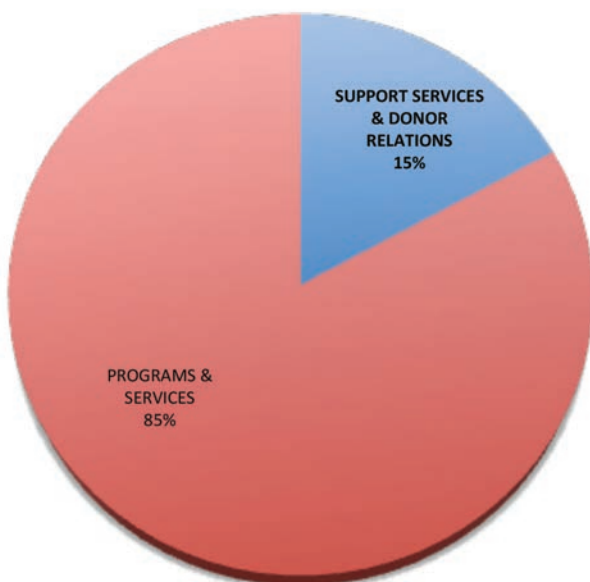
## VISION STATEMENT

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

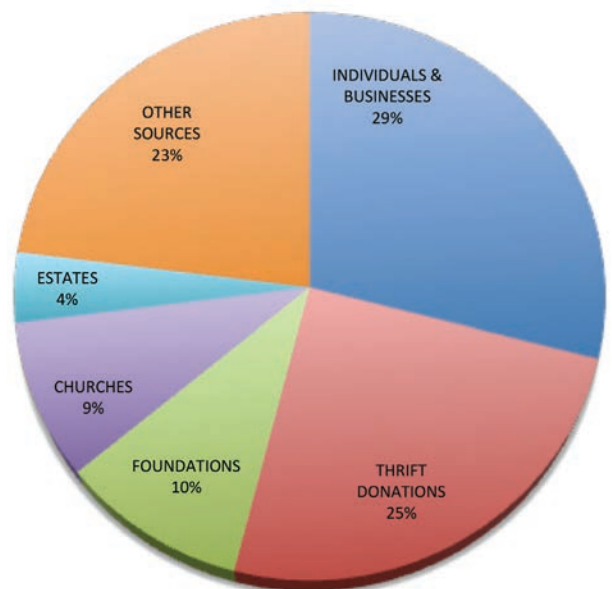
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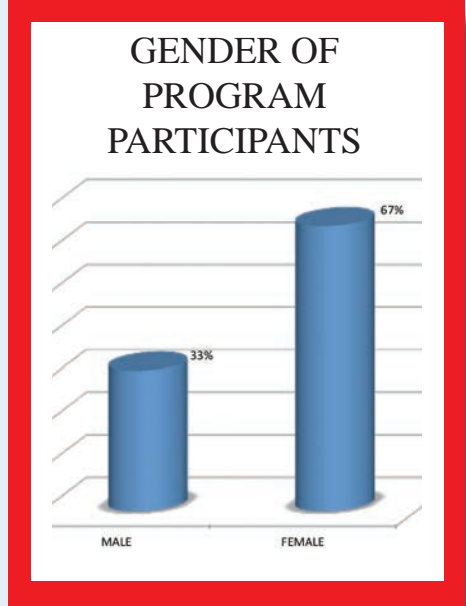
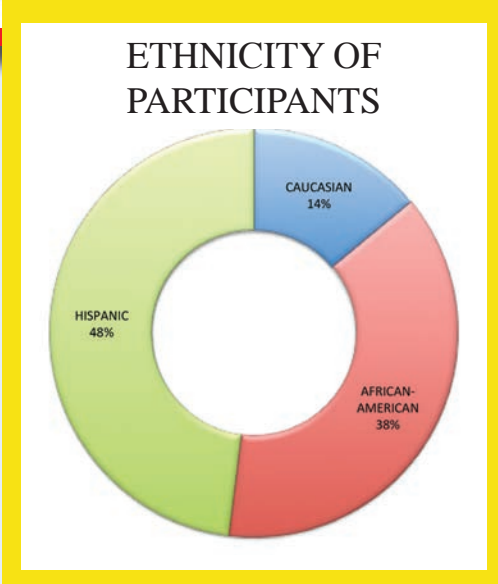
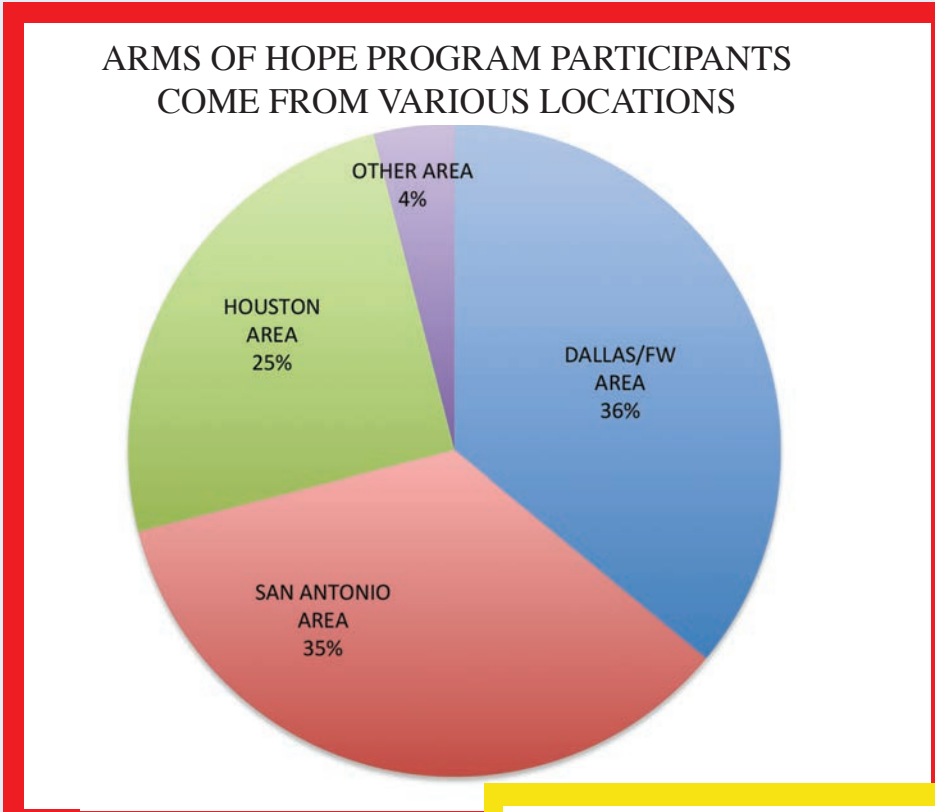


## INCOME SOURCES



dations and churches for funding these invaluable services.

Most of the residents in Arms of Hope's programs are from Texas and 96% come from the urban areas and contiguous counties of Dallas/Ft. Worth, Houston and San Antonio. The children and single mother families we serve are from all ethnic backgrounds with 48% being Hispanic, 38% African-American and 14% 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 46% being 5 and under. Less than 3% 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 sta-



bility, social skills and education. 92% now receive better grades in school than when they first arrived in our care with an amazing 35% now on the Honor Roll. 80% 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. 70% 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.

*20-30 Arms of Hope program participants become new followers of Christ each year.*

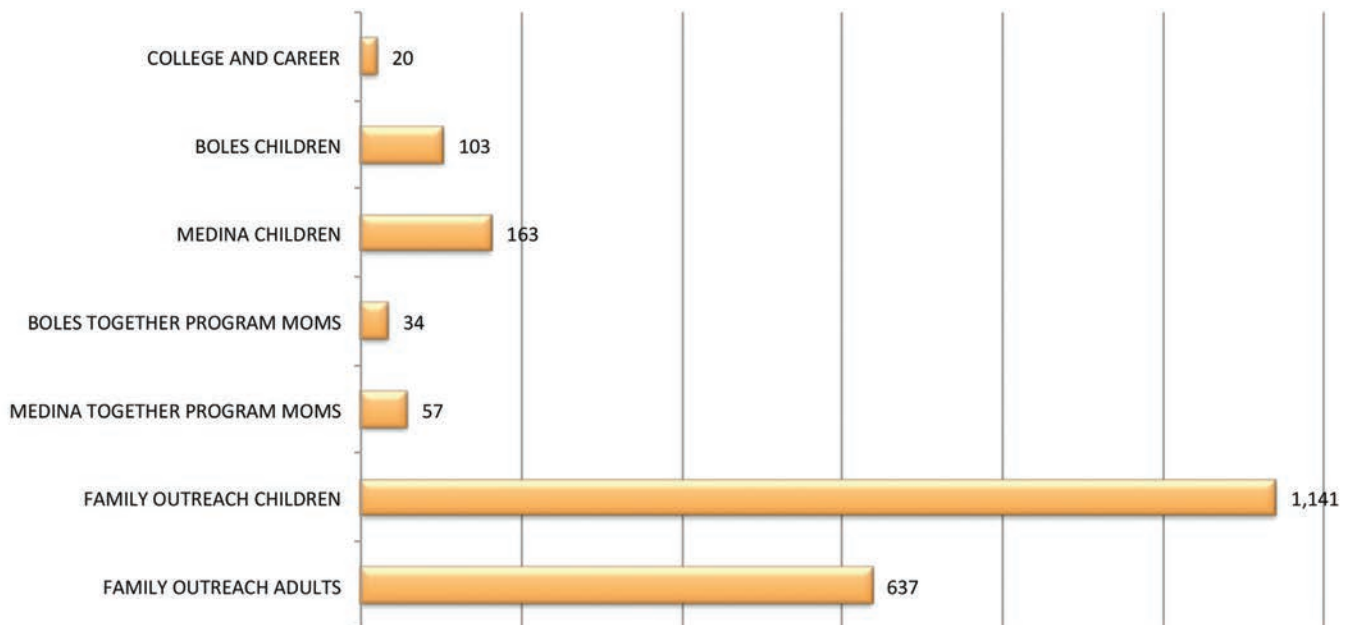




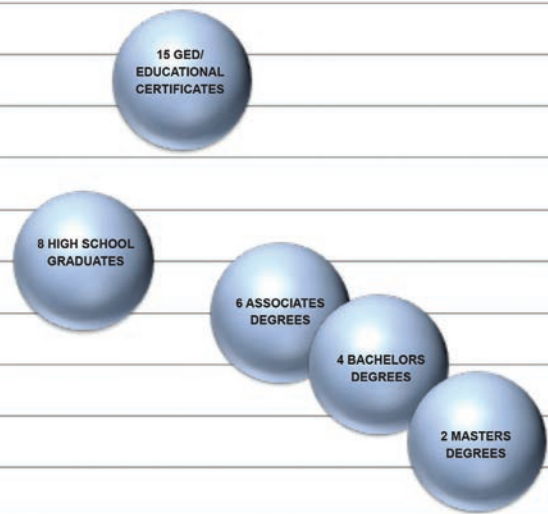


*All campus residents receive professional therapy. In Fiscal Year 2020, 6,200 hours of professional therapy were utilized by Arms of Hope residents.*

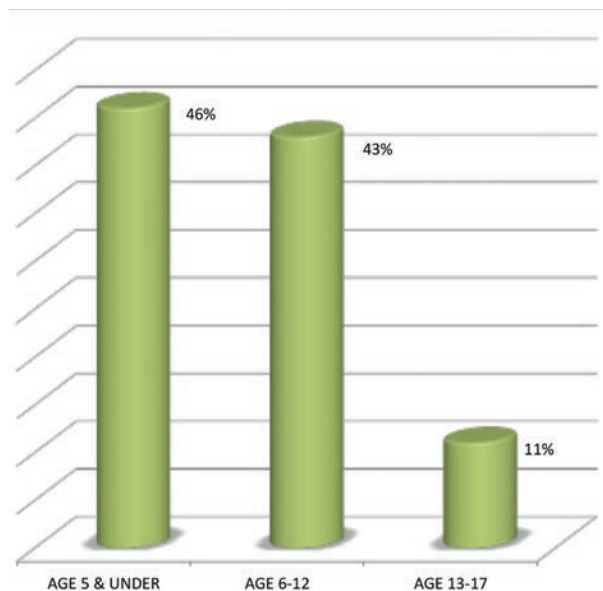
### NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED IN FISCAL YEAR 2020



### 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 warm family-like atmosphere, where house parents function as mother and father figures. Residents range in age from 5 to 18 and live in cottages with eight to ten children. Arms of Hope provides for children's basic daily needs including shelter, food, clothing, counseling, supervision and education.

**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, 24 participants in our Residential Child Care, Together and Family Outreach Center programs became new followers of Christ in Fiscal Year 2020. 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](https://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](https://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](mailto: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](https://ArmsofHope.org)

*In Fiscal Year 2020, Arms of Hope hosted 56 different volunteer groups, 1,256 volunteers and 21,580 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](https://ArmsofHope.org)

View a brief video about volunteer opportunities by scanning this QR:



### Organizational Goals for 2021

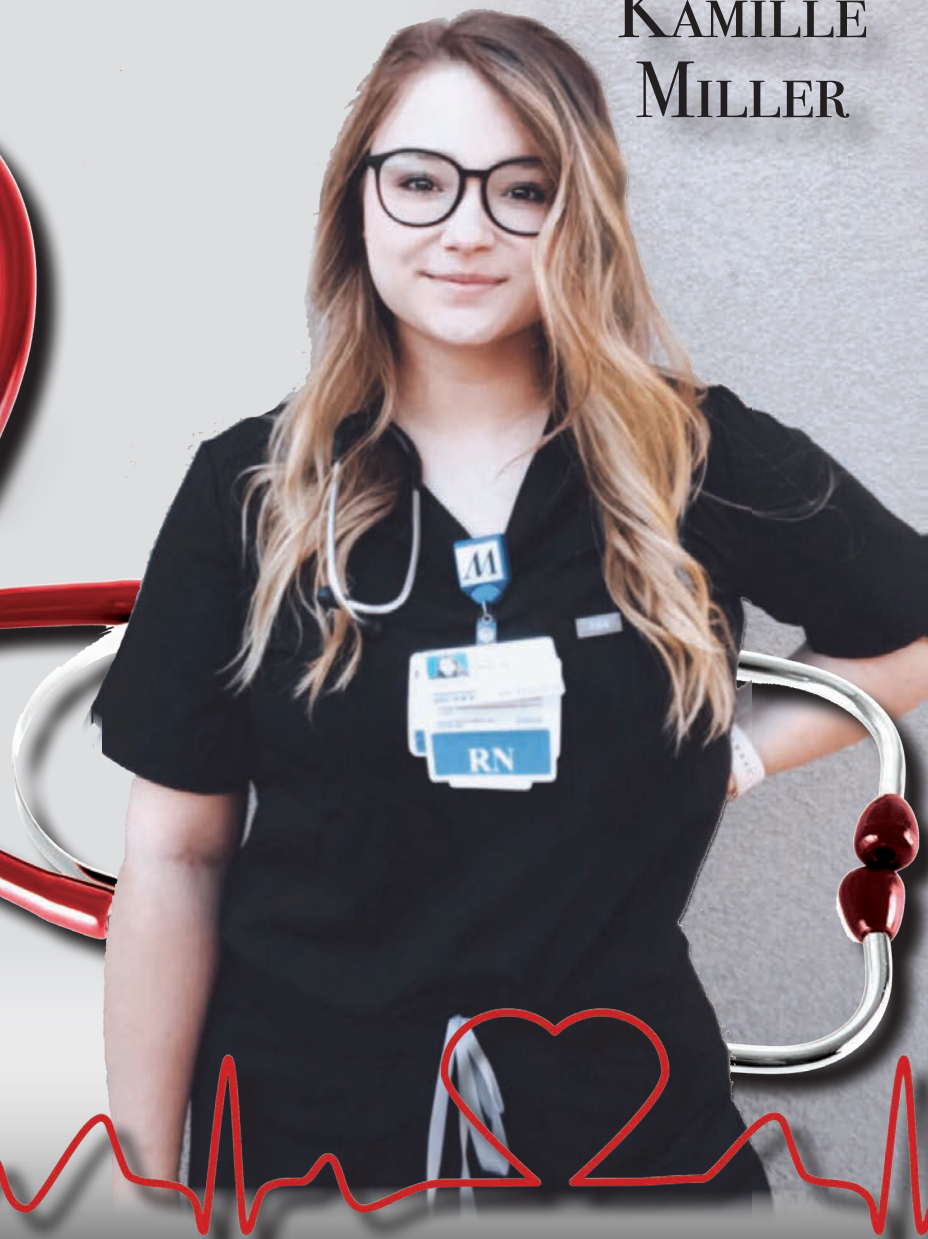
- ❖ Complete remodel of older residences (some more than 50 years old) for children and single mothers.
- ❖ Expand and enhance Family Outreach Centers in Ft. Worth and San Antonio.
- ❖ Continue formal ministry programs in our Family Outreach Centers that have seen substantial growth in numbers served, evangelism and discipleship
- ❖ Expand and enhance online learning on both campuses to provide residents even more access to higher education opportunities.

*A journey of a child  
longing for*

**KAMILLE  
MILLER**

*Love*

*to a nurse showing  
love to others...*



I recall very specific moments as a young child when I felt absolutely and completely alone, unsafe and unloved. I was terrified of the uncertainty that consumed me. I was surrounded by domestic violence and my parents were unable to care for me and my brother because of their drug and alcohol addiction. At the age of four, I took on the role of mom looking out for my younger siblings. There were nights when I would wrap my arms around my brother, cradling him under my bed while he cried.

I was then placed into a foster home with my two-year-old brother. Rather than being placed in a safe place, I was hurled into a home where my ex-

periences were worse than those with my biological parents. I felt alone and confused being separated from my parents. After about a year with my foster parents, I was placed back with my biological parents, but this was short-lived as they continued their old habits and neglected us.

For the next several years, my siblings and I were placed in and out of multiple foster homes. During this time, I experienced unimaginable physical and emotional abuse at the hands of those who were supposed to protect me. Piece by piece small parts of my heart continued to be chipped away until I no longer felt worthy of love. I had continuous feelings of worthlessness

and shame that I didn't understand. I was in agony with no one to turn to. I buried my grief and continued to build walls that no one could break. My anger and hurt had built up so much over the years that it was all I knew. After seven years of living in homes filled with violence and rage, I had embraced the same behavior.

My adopted mother's punishments were aggressive and physical, so naturally I continued to lash out. After a year of being in their home they gave me two options; boot camp or Arms of Hope. I was not pleased with either option but agreed to placement on the Medina Campus. After they dropped me off, I was again consumed with

feelings of abandonment. I knew that it was only a matter of time until I was passed along again, but God had other plans!

It has now been thirteen years and I am still a part of the Arms of Hope family! The journey to where I am now has not been easy for me or those that guided me. For several years I tested the limits, breaking rules and acting out, but the loving staff at AOH stood by me and continued to give me the love that I had been deprived of for so long. For the first time in as long as I could remember I slowly began to trust again. The impact of being a small, helpless child with parents who raged, abused, and neglected me left a lasting impression. For a very long time I had difficulty maintaining a positive self-esteem, forming relationships and trusting others.

For years I told myself that I was okay with what happened to me. While logically I believed this, my heart was in turmoil, but realized God led me to the exact place I needed to be and gave me the home and family I had always desired. I was given the support and stability I needed to heal my deepest wounds. Their continued patience and unwavering dedication to my success transformed my life. The most important relationships in my life are the ones I have formed with the present and past staff members of Arms of Hope. The closest family I have are those that were once my house parents. They have loved me over the years and continue to support me in every aspect of my life.



While in the Arms of Hope College & Career Program, I successfully obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Biology and a nursing degree from Texas Tech Health Sciences Center. I now live in Houston where I work at Houston Methodist, the number one hospital in Texas. While the pandemic has been a frightening time for so many, I am fortunate to work in a career serving the Lord using my talents to help and show love to those in need. In this time of uncertainty, I am filled with an immense amount of gratitude for

all that I have been given. I continue to use the adversity I experienced as a child through my passion for helping and caring for others.

I have grown from a scared child into a confident and capable, yet humble person. I know that without the unconditional love I was given by Arms of Hope I would not be the person I am today. I have gained an ongoing recognition of God's presence in my life and a more profound understanding of my strengths. ■



# Dallas Gala

featuring Darren Woodson & Jaylon Smith

Hundreds of Arms of Hope friends enjoyed a fantastic evening of being inspired by children we serve along with the joy of a special conversation with past and present Cowboy superstars, Darren Woodson and Jaylon Smith.

Darren & Jaylon were a perfect combination of laughs and special moments of faith and love for all who attended the event.

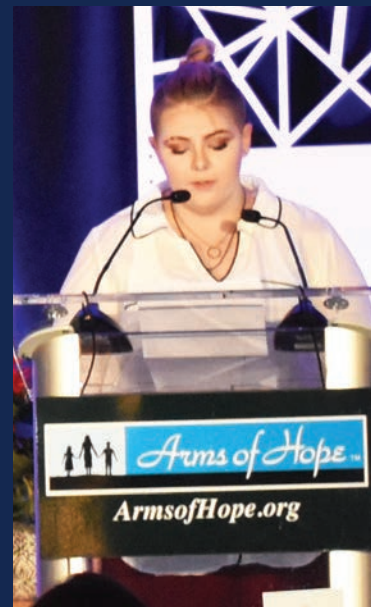
Jaylon was selected by the Cowboys as the 34th overall draft pick in 2016. He played football at Notre Dame, where he won the Butkus Award as the nation's top linebacker and was named a consensus All-American.

Darren played his entire career with the Cowboys from 1992-2003. He won three Super Bowls, was a 5-time Pro Bowler and retired as the Cowboys all-time leading tackler. Darren

received the highest recognition by being inducted into the Ring of Honor in 2015.

Besides interesting accounts of their immense athletic accomplishments, Jaylon and Darren shined at the Gala with their examples of humility, perseverance and faith.

As always, the real superstars of the evening were the Arms of Hope resi-



dents! Rene is in the College & Career Program and shared what his life was like growing up. He lived in six different homeless shelters and battled extreme poverty his whole life. His parents were addicted to drugs and his father was in and out of jail. He remembers living in a small duplex with his thirteen brothers and sisters, sleeping on the floor and sharing one bathroom. Many times he went to bed hungry and remembers getting

off the bus after school and walking an hour to the soup kitchen only to be told that they were already out of food. Renee then found the love and support of Arms of Hope!

“I’ve now been at Arms of Hope for two years and have a 3.2 college GPA. I’m the only one of fourteen children in my family to attend college. Arms of Hope has created a community where I can belong. I share meals and

have devotionals with other residents and my case manager makes sure I stay on track. I will graduate from college because of God and Arms of Hope,” Renee said.

The date for our Fall ‘21 gala is still to be determined due to COVID-19 cancellations, but we have a commitment from Olympic Gold Medalist, Mary Lou Retton to be our special guest! We hope you will join us. ■

# Brighter Horizons

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BLACK

*© a future filled with  
Hope © Happiness*

Having a survivor mentality, living day-by-day and wondering what today would bring was my reality. Would I go to bed hungry again, be made to cut grass with kitchen scissors, eat off the floor, have to wear dirty clothes and not get to take a shower? Be hit again until I bruised or scarred? Would I be told I was worthless, not wanted and not loved? Or, that I was an ugly piece of trash who would never succeed and would end up like my addict mother?

I woke up everyday hating myself, everyone and everything around me. Why was I given this life? Why couldn't I just be a normal kid? Why couldn't I be loved and wanted? Why even live?

I was so tired of it all. So tired of eating off the floor like a dog, scrubbing the walls with a toothbrush, being touched in every way and being moved from house to house.

At the age of 15, I was placed at Arms of Hope-Medina Campus on April 14, 2009. Everyone at AOH talked about God and how he loves me, but I didn't believe them. Then, the most amazing light destroyed the darkness of my life when I learned this scripture:

“For I know the plans I have for you. Plans to prosper you, not harm you and give you hope and a future!”

- Jeremiah 29:11





Arms of Hope made God's powerful words real in my life. After months of being fed, respected, loved and wanted, I started to breathe and break down the walls. I was able to shower when I wanted, given clean clothes and they actually asked me what I wanted to eat! The bruises and scars on my body and soul started to heal and I began to love back. I was taught how to be a kid again and how to forgive. I was finally wanted, appreciated and I felt worthy.

I became the first female in my family to graduate high school and I continued my journey at Arms of Hope in the College & Career Program.

God's amazing plans for me included marrying my best friend and high school sweetheart in the beautiful chapel on campus. We met at Camp Eagle, the Christian camp that children at Arms of Hope are blessed to attend. I am now 27 years old and God has con-

tinued pouring out his love by giving us a beautiful daughter. Because of how Arms of Hope loved me, I know how to love her. My journey with Arms of Hope continues as I am honored to work in the College & Career Program and share the ministry that saved my life with everyone I can. As for my future, I continue to trust God and I can't imagine working anywhere else. This is home. ■

# Arms of Hope is thank



Fort Bend Christian Academy - Sugarland



Johnson Street - San Angelo



Aggies For Christ - Medina



Abilene Christian Weekend Warriors



Grapevine Church

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Cornerstone Christian School - Sugarland



Southeast Church - Houston

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McDermott Road - Plano



San Antonio Christian



Crosstown Church - Tulsa



BDI Insurance - San Antonio



Lake Highlands Church - Dallas



Alamo City MOPAR - San Antonio



First Colony Family Class Sugarland



League Street Church - Sulphur Springs

To contact us about volunteer opportunities, please e-mail: [Volunteer@ArmsOfHope.org](mailto:Volunteer@ArmsOfHope.org)



Cypress Creek Church - Wimberley



Grace Bible - LaVernia



South Yukon Church - Oklahoma



Lamar Avenue Church - Paris

# Arms of Hope Happenings



Boles Campus children in the Learning Center created a beautiful Wall of Honor to show their love and support to all those connected with Boles Home, who serve our country!



Thank you to the Baptist Health Foundation in San Antonio for once again helping the children on the Medina Campus receive invaluable counseling that will help break the generational cycles of abuse and neglect!



Congratulations to several of the moms on the Medina Campus for completing Financial Peace. What a great resource for when our residents leave our program and use their money the way God wants them to.



Medina Campus children did fantastic at the annual Bandera County Livestock Show. 19 children participated and their hard work was rewarded with several 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishes as well as a Reserve Champion.



Thank you to Chad and Haley Warner for taking Medina Campus residents and Kerrville Church of Christ youth to Soul Link in Houston at Bammel Road Church of Christ. The children had an unbelievable time worshipping, listening to incredible speakers and bonding closer together as a group.



Thank you Michaela and the San Antonio Spurs for coming to the Medina Campus for a fun dance camp! This was the second year that the children were blessed with this event and they loved every minute of it!



Our kids had a great experience on Wilderness Trek in Colorado!



Boles Campus kids took a Financial Peace class and used their new skills on a trip to the grocery store to learn how to stay on budget with groceries.



Arms of Hope is so proud of Melissa, our Health & Wellness Coordinator on the Boles Campus. Melissa graduated with her Masters of Science in Social Work from Abilene Christian University and was honored to present at the Society for Social Work & Research Conference in Washington, D.C.



Thank you Monica and the Texas Department of Transportation for blessing the moms on the Boles Campus with car seats and instructions on how to use them to protect their children.



Residents and staff from the Boles Campus had an amazing time at "Girl-friend's Seminar" hosted by Lakeshore Church in Rockwall. The ladies listened to some wonderful speakers who encouraged and challenged them in ways to grow closer to Christ.



Thank you Sojourners for your annual mission trip to the Boles Campus. This amazing group helped with cottage renovations, cooked meals for the residents and spent time worshipping with and loving our children.



Together Program moms on the Medina Campus were blessed to participate in the "100 Days Project" where they use art for 100 days to study scripture.



Children on our campuses love to beat the heat by using our wonderful splash-pads.



Medina Campus kids enjoy being outdoors and paddle boarding on our lake.



Teenagers from the Medina Campus did an amazing job on their mission trip to McAllen. They helped frame a house, painted the local church and loved on children in the community during Vacation Bible School.



Glenn Lackey from First Blessing in Temple gave every child on our Boles Campus a new pair of shoes. The children got to pick from several options and are so thankful for this gift.



Although they could not be with us on the Medina Campus this year, Alamo City LX Modern MOPAR donated one thousand Easter eggs for our children to hunt.



The joy of discovery! The children in our Residential Child Care program discover all sorts of new and exciting things while playing in the community garden on campus. They have learned how to grow vegetables and take care of chickens.



Breanna decided that for her 8th birthday, she would be more blessed to give than to receive and donated her presents to children on our Boles Campus. What an amazing young lady.



Sweet Caylee on the Boles Campus has found a passion for cooking pancakes! She made pancakes for her cottage multiple times during Spring Break and her House Parents were very appreciative of the break from cooking breakfast. Way to go Caylee!



Congratulations to Kisha on the Boles Campus for being accepted into the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

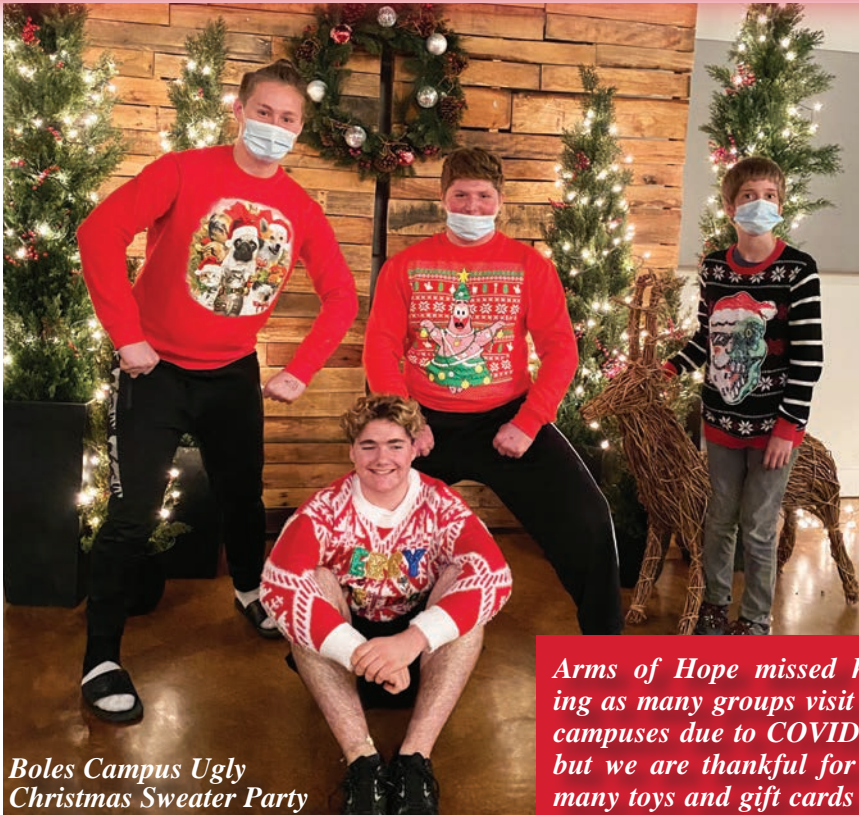


Medina Campus children love learning about tasty, healthy foods and how to prepare them. What a great lesson to start teaching early in their life.



Moms on the Medina Campus completed an invaluable life skills class on vehicle maintenance. What a great tool to help their families financially when they leave the program.

# Christmas Blessings



*Boles Campus Ugly Christmas Sweater Party*

*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.*



*Isabella made this beautiful snow globe!*



*Annual toy drive at Comanche Trace*



*Picking a tree at Pipe Creek Christmas Tree Farm*



*Sovereign Sons Motorcycle Club blessed our kids with toys*



*Hunt County Tunes for Tots*

## *Growing in Christ at Christian Summer Camp*



Over one hundred twenty five children experienced the joy of Christian summer camp in 2019. Sadly our residents and Family Outreach Center program participants were not able to attend camp in 2020 due to COVID-

19 cancellations. We are hopeful our kids will have this great experience again in 2021 and we need your help! Camp is always a time to participate in amazing activities and most importantly, grow closer to Jesus with many

baptisms every year! We are thankful to our generous supporters who make camp possible each year. Please consider continuing or starting your camp support for next summer. ■

## *Arms of Hope Youth Interns*

***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!***



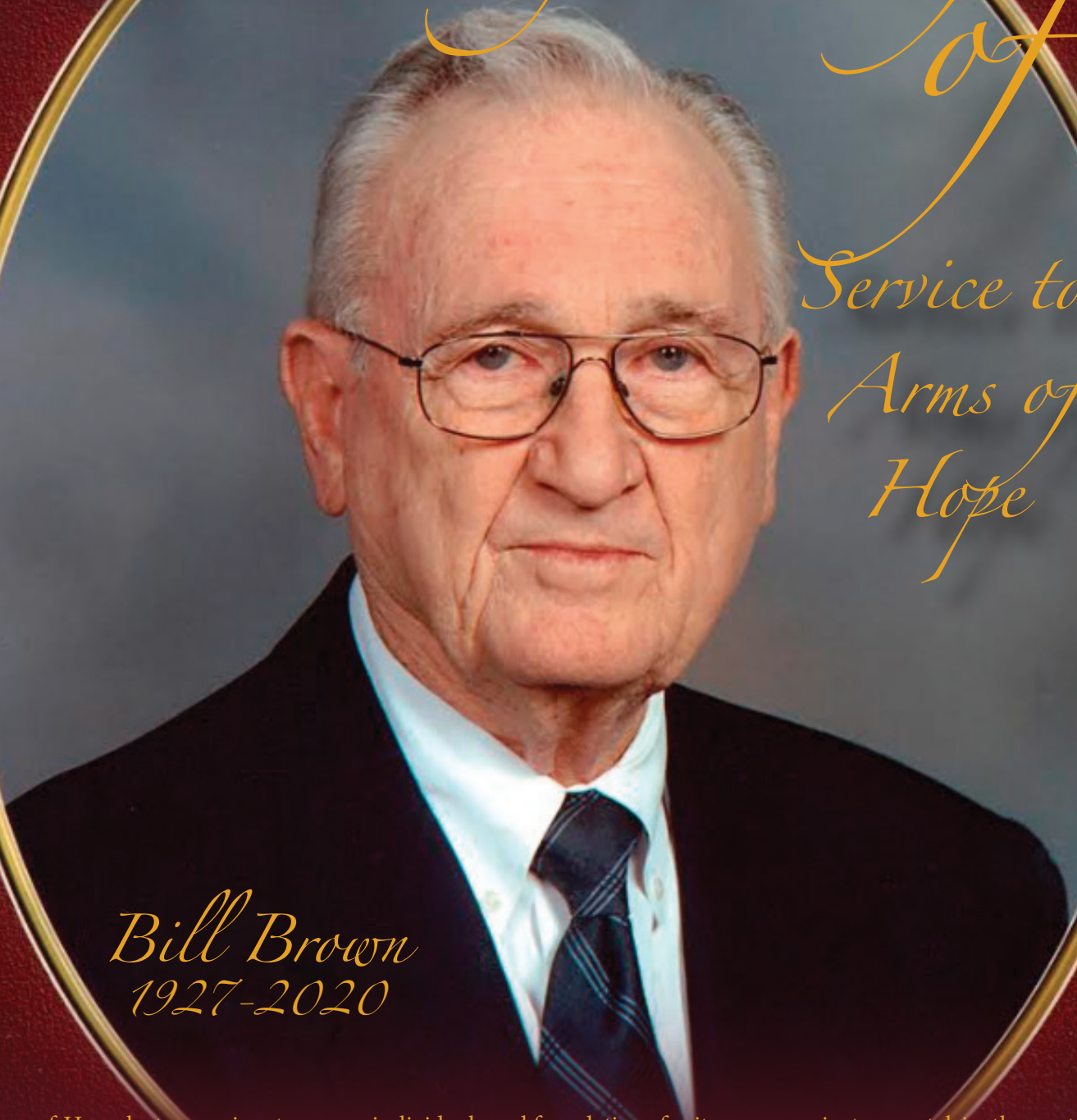
Boles Campus was blessed to host two great interns this summer! Lila Grace (left) is a junior at Harding University where she is majoring in Social Work. She stated, "I had the opportunity to serve at AOH on mission trips in high school. I was so excited to grow as a servant of the Lord and a social worker last summer on the Boles Campus." Katie (right) is a sophomore at Texas A&M University and is obtaining a degree in Sociology. Katie said, "My first mission trip was to Arms of Hope-Medina Campus when I was in middle school. Ever since then, I have fallen in love with this ministry. I feel God has called me to live a life that loves others with Christ-like love. The Lord is present in this non-profit and I love that their top priority is loving the kids and moms selflessly, not judging, but helping them to see the worth within them that the world told them was nonexistent." ■



Medina Campus had two amazing interns! Kaitlyn (left) is a senior, Elementary Education major at Texas A&M. She said, "I'm a member of Aggies for Christ and have been coming to the Medina Campus for several years. I loved interacting with everyone at Arms of Hope, ministering to others and finding ways to use the skills I've learned as an Education major to create an awesome summer for everyone!" Hannah (right) is a senior at Abilene Christian University as a Youth and Family Ministry major with a minor in Psychology. She stated "I feel as if God led me to intern and I grew from this opportunity. I enjoyed finding creative ways to have fun and build relationships with everyone on campus." ■

# Remembering A Life

## of Service to Arms of Hope



*Bill Brown  
1927-2020*

Arms of Hope lost a passionate supporter for our ministry with the passing of Bill Brown. Bill served on the Board of Directors of Medina Children's Home for over 25 years.

Bill traveled all over the state finding support for the home starting in 1968. Bill joined a special group of people that would go out and ask churches,

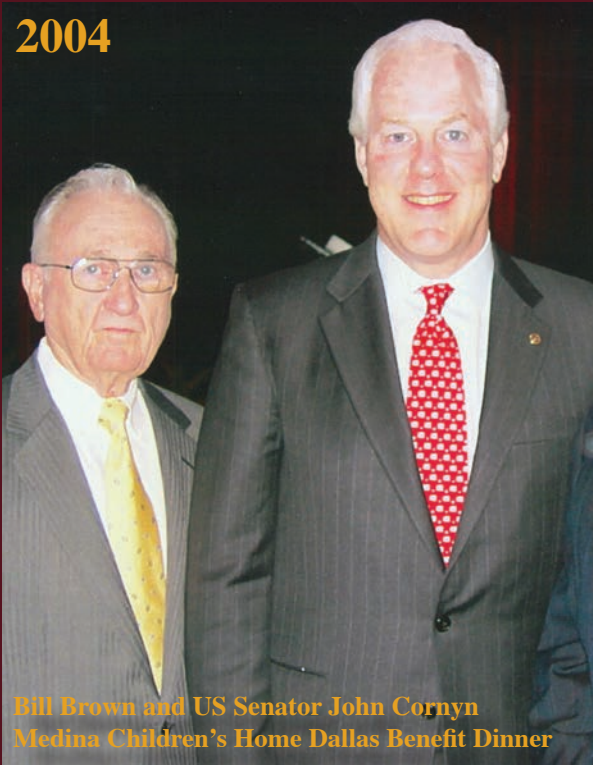
individuals and foundations for items such as food, clothing, tires for cars, wood to build barns and donations of cattle to feed the children. Bill was also able to help get the Moody Foundation to build the gym on campus and raise money for paving the roads, a sewage system and was honored to help raise the funds for the first single mother home on campus. He also

was instrumental in the partnership between the home and the school in Medina.

Bill was born in 1927 to Virgil and Verna Brown near Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Bill was raised on the farmlands near the Bridges Chapel Community and began farming with Virgil before he was able to walk. After serving



2004



Bill Brown and US Senator John Cornyn  
Medina Children's Home Dallas Benefit Dinner



2012

Dorothy & Bill Brown with Laura Bush  
Arms of Hope Dallas Gala



1981

Board of Directors Meeting - Rick Haglestein, Bill Brown (center),  
Dr. Halbert, Stuart Bergman and Dempsey Simpson



in the Merchant Marines in WWII and graduating from the University of Texas in Austin, he worked in the commercial insurance business.

Bill was an avid photographer, skilled hunter and he touched many lives with his humor, compassion and generosity. He loved his family and is survived by Dorothy, his wife of 68 years.

Bill leaves a legacy of three sons and four grandchildren and he loved Jesus with all of his heart, serving Him faithfully all of his life.

Bill's love of Jesus was evident during his service on the Board of Directors at Medina Children's Home. The spiritual growth of the residents was Bill's top priority. Many souls through

the years were brought to Christ and continued to serve Him after they left campus. Bill considered it pure joy to serve the children and single mothers and continued that service until his final day. ■

# Memorials

Received 7/1/19-10/31/20

Ackerman, Velma  
Tracy Gupton  
Lake Jackson CoC  
Lois & David Weber  
Adams, Bobbie W.  
Glendon & Brenda Womble  
Adams, Loretta  
Pris Pacheco & Glyn Richie  
Adams, Lowell  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Babcock  
Hal & Karen Brown  
Michael Testerman  
Aldridge, Mary Nan  
Karla McGowan  
Alewine, Danny  
Linda Cause  
Alford, Less & Billie  
Tamara Heironimus  
Allen, Arthur  
Nelda & Gene Brown  
Allen, Jean  
Sam & Cheryl Ellis  
Allen, Russell  
Laverne & Kermit Boos  
Clinton & Carol Feuge  
Ronnie & Harry Foster  
Karen Millsap  
Rocky & Marilyn Tanner  
Amason, Charles & Elvira  
Cindy Rakowitz  
Anderson, Tommy  
Spring Lake HOA  
Anderson, Westley John  
Matthew Anderson  
Andrew, Jean  
Robert & Marla Edwards  
Andrews, Crystal  
Art & Gayle Burns  
Don Parker  
Floyd & Susan Pirtle  
Steve & Cecelia Price  
Andrews, Robert (Bob)  
Art & Gayle Burns  
Dr. & Mrs. William Kruyer  
R.B. & Sandra McCracken  
Don & Shelly Parker  
Arant, Sue  
Jack & Mary Ann Barnett  
Armstrong, Hazel Ann  
Mark & Michele Jones  
Armstrong, Roger  
Claude & Mary Jones  
Arnold, David  
Jim & Carol Hudson  
Arrington, Laura  
Joe Hairston  
Karen Jordan  
Lonna Norwood  
Carlene Wood  
Baby Tyler  
Ann Nance & Johnnie Pegues  
Bailey, Nancy  
Sharon Sharpe  
Baker, Oneta  
David & Jennifer Trout  
Bales, Polly  
Curtis & Molly Bedrich  
Ballard, Freddy  
Neil & Sherry Collard  
Ballard, Freddy  
Rickey & Patti McFadden  
Barber, Travis  
Claude & Mary Jones  
Barker, Cynthia  
Chuck & Shannon Boyer

Barnard, George  
Robert Edwards  
BOD of Fifth & Main  
Jennifer Hartman  
Barnett, Paul  
Phill & Sandra Hallman  
Barrow, Ben  
Randy Nicholson  
Jeff & Randa Upp  
Barrow, Brent  
Randy Nicholson  
Barton, Cheryl Lynn  
Mark & Leah Bell  
Barton, Roy  
Sandra Claunch  
Basinger, Virginia Iris  
James Ford  
Bass, Roger  
Veda Bass  
Beck, Dewey  
Krista Blakeley  
Ross & Susan Grier  
Melanie Jennings  
Courtney Richardson  
Charlotte Stockard  
Belonie, Norma Joan  
David & Sharon Shelton  
Berger Jr., Charles F.  
Lindy & Maureen Ahr  
Linda Boehme  
Marvin & Cheryl Dzuik  
Paul Lampe  
Lindy & Rita Mecher  
Roxanne Melton  
B.J. & Trinket Milward  
Barbara Nay  
Paul & Sandra Tondre  
Sammy Tschirhart, Sr.  
Bertagnolli, Frances (Fran)  
Marie Bernard  
Col. Frank Q. Bertagnolli, Ret.  
Bird, Amber  
Evelyn Bird  
Bittner, Shelly  
Andrews CoC  
Blackstone, Carla Sue  
Jim & Mary Alice West  
Blair, Gary  
Sandra Claunch  
Blakney, Bill  
David & Sharon Shelton  
Blalack, Gary  
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Plew  
Bobo, James  
Michael & Miriam Broyles  
Girls at CFS  
Schubert & Company  
Nita Scott  
Mary & John Williamson  
Boen, Wanda  
Chuck & Mindy Nichols  
Boutwell, Buster  
Linda Harvey  
Boutwell, William Lee  
Alex Spinola  
Bowen, Wanda  
Jim & Melisa Bass  
Boyle, Katya  
Dan & Pamela Boyle  
Laura Reifschlager  
Bradley, John  
Chuck & Mindy Nichols  
Jim & Mary Alice West  
Braun, Don  
Janette Odle

Bridges, David  
Terry & Renee Nichol  
Brinkley, Raymond  
R.B. & Sandra McCracken  
Brookmole, Lloyd  
Loyd & Janice Wright  
Broumley, Raymond  
Bob & Gayla Strate  
Brown, James  
Dickie & Ann Robertson  
Brown, Richard  
Maurya E. Hill  
Kay Olsen  
Buckner, Benjamin "Benny"  
& June  
Shahan Law Office  
Bunch, Hazel  
Cindy Baker  
Burke, John David  
Jodeen Aven  
Joshua Burke  
Kimberly Taylor  
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Donald & Sue Burke  
Burkhead, Joyce  
Kay White  
Burns, John  
Oleta Coleman  
Burton, Jane  
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Busbee, Don  
Charles & Martha Sides  
Butler, Dennis Ray  
Evelyn Payne  
Bynum, Juanita  
Terry & Virginia Booker  
Patricia Harper  
Helen Kenner  
Byrd, Harriet  
Nora Carswell  
Calvert, David (Jerry)  
D.G. & B.H. Calvert  
Calvert, Wade  
Stanton Calvert  
Sue Campbell Dodd  
Calvin, William (Bill)  
Shane Calvin  
Campbell, Nina B. Welch  
David & Jennifer Trout  
Cannon, Sarah  
Marvin & Cheryl Cannon  
Cynthia Lyons  
Carlisle, John  
Glendon & Brenda Womble  
Carpenter, Bud  
Curtis & Molly Bedrich  
Carr, Christine  
Chuck & Mindy Nichols  
Carrol, David  
George & Pam Morte  
Carroll, Patsy  
Jim & Carol Hudson  
Carson, Ernestine  
Hudson Hillis Family  
Case, Charles  
E.R. (Boots) & Judy Harris  
Chaika, John  
Sharon Sharpe  
Chamberlain, Winston  
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## George Bernard (1928-2020)



Our dear friend, George Madison Barnard, Jr., passed into the arms of Jesus after a four-year battle with cancer, and a long, fulfilled life of 91 years. At the time of his death, George was surrounded by his wife, Bonnie, his children, and several grandchildren. George was born in Abilene, Texas, and grew up in and around the "Big Country". George spent much of his youth playing sports, participating in FFA, and doing his part to help support himself and his large family through numerous jobs. He was an entrepreneur before he could spell it or knew what it meant. In 1946, George joined the U.S. Navy as a Seaman First (RN) Radioman. He was assigned to the USS Henley and deployed to the Mediterranean for patrol duty with other United Nations ships. George was discharged in 1948. After his time in the Navy, George returned to Texas and used his GI Bill to attend Abilene Christian College to study Agriculture Management. There he met Bonnie Marie Mullen in 1949 and the two were married on July 26, 1949. George's constant refrain throughout his marriage was that Bonnie saved his life—she gave him purpose, integrity, love, and the will to embrace a faithful and courageous life, taking on personal and business ventures at every turn. Over the next decade, the couple were blessed with four children: Bruce, Gary, Tresa, and Wayne. George and Bonnie called many places home: Huntsville, Alice, Gonzales, Schertz, Kerrville, and Boerne, but always Texas. At one time or another he was a farmer, cotton gin owner/operator, part-time preacher, electric coop manager, land development investor, and owner of several businesses. George was diagnosed with

stage-four mesothelioma in 2016, and given only months to live. He defied all odds and diagnoses and lived more than three additional years to see more of his grandchildren's marriages and the birth of three additional great-grandchildren. More than a few nurses and physicians often remarked of George's amazingly positive attitude and humor; even in times of great sickness, George would always ask about others and let them know he was praying for them. He is survived by his loving wife Bonnie, his siblings and his greatest legacy: his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He will be missed and remembered by countless nieces and nephews, and friends too numerous to count. Medina Children's Home (Arms of Hope) captured his vision and energy as a means for making an impact in the world. George's son and AOH Board Member, Bruce, lovingly remembers: "As I reflect on Dad's life, his love for Jesus is the most pronounced. Dad truly believed he had been saved by grace, that his life was blessed beyond what he deserved, blessed especially by Mom, his life partner. In response, he couldn't help but spent his life loving others, his family and everyone he met, just as God through Jesus loved him. Dad was generous to a fault, some might say; he gave his time, his talent and his treasure, always for the purpose of making life better for someone else. Dad and Mom were a powerful team—the more she could save, the more he could give away. Surely this is what Jesus meant when he said in John 15:13, "This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends." ■

## James Ray Bobo (1928-2019)



A dear friend and extremely generous supporter of Arms of Hope, James “Jim” Ray Bobo, passed away September 1, 2019 in Harlingen, Texas. Jim was born March 6, 1928 in Hico, Texas and proudly served our country in the Navy. While a radio operator in Alaska, he discovered interests and talents in technology which led him into business and personal pursuits that proved to be incredibly rewarding. After his discharge from the Navy, Jim worked as an air traffic controller, etching a lifetime interest and love of flying. In 1966, Jim took his biggest personal and financial risk and began a “startup” company with \$800 of his life savings. Central Processing Center operations grew quickly and 700 computer terminals were placed in financial institutions throughout South Texas. In 1982, Jim sold CPC to FiServ, which today is a global leader in Fintech. Jim was blessed with a large family of 8 children, 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. They lovingly recount his routine words of wisdom and sayings like: “Honesty is not just the best policy, it is the only policy.” After negative events he would say: “That’s life” or “Don’t worry about it” and an affirming “Okee Dokee” to close. Jim never said a swear word, just “Oh, boy!” Jim loved traveling the states and the world by airplane and RV and his trips to the cabin he built by hand in Colorado were some of his favorite memories. Jim was an avid supporter of children’s charities and hospitals. Arms of Hope is grateful for the routine gifts he provided for 20 plus years and for the legacy gifts made from his estate; the effect of which on the lives of the children and mothers we serve, is eternal. ■

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## James Houston (1944-2020)



Arms of Hope fondly remembers James Houston and his love for our residents and the Kerrville Church of Christ. James was born in Wellington, Texas to Elbert and Nellie Marie. He graduated from Kimball High School in Dallas and was awarded an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy. He declined this opportunity as he chose his lifelong love, Donna Mangrem. James graduated from Arlington State College and the couple married on August 27, 1965. James and Donna spent fifty-four amazing years together. God blessed them with four children (David, Mark, Amy and Philip) who were the center of his world. James was an excellent geophysicist and began his oil career working for Texaco in Houston. He later worked for Houston Oil & Minerals, Northwind Exploration, White Rock Exploration and enjoyed a long partnership with Impact Exploration. James was respected by all for his high Christian values, honesty and love for Christ. He served as a shepherd at Kerrville Church of Christ for more than 25 years, taught adult and children's Bible classes and served as a charter member of Eastern European Mission. His love of God was followed by his love for his wife, their children and their nine grandchildren, who affectionately called him "Poppy". ■

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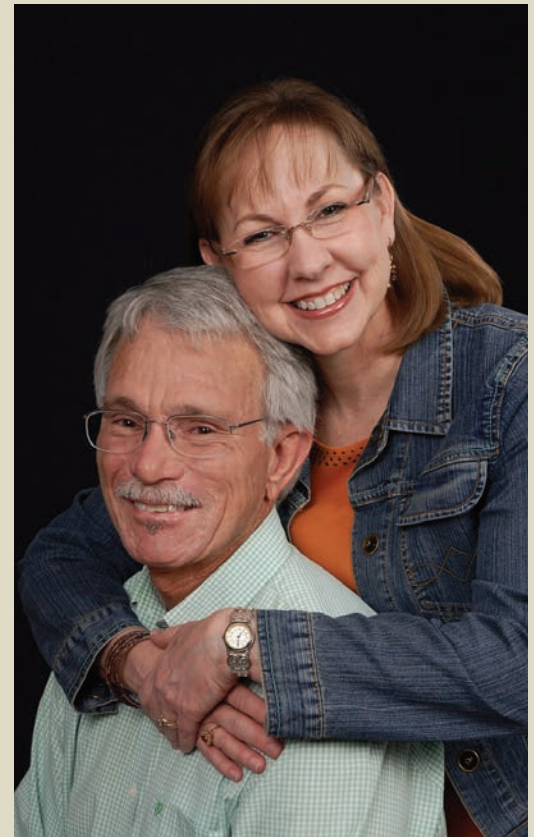
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## Donna Lenard (1961-2020)



Donna Lenard is celebrating with Jesus after a courageous and hard fought battle with cancer. Donna was born in Kerrville to Charles and Katheryn Juenke on July 26th, 1961. She graduated from Tivy High School in 1979 and married Arthur Lenard on July 28th of the same year. Donna worked as a CFO, bookkeeper and the noble calling of a stay home mother to her precious sons, Dustin & Craig. She was extremely involved in many Christian Ministries around the world and much of her time and energy was spent praising the Lord with her church family at the Kerrville Church of Christ. Donna loyally loved her husband, children, daughters-in-law and her six grandchildren. She always had a kind word and beautiful smile for all the children and single mothers at Arms of Hope. Her sweet spirit will be greatly missed. ■

**Ronny New  
(1944-2020)**



Our dear friend and supporter, Ronny New, went to meet Jesus after a two year battle with cancer. Ronny was born on March 8th, 1944 in Port Arthur, TX. He attended Lamar University and then honorably served his country in the Army Reserves for six years. Ronny worked at Dupont for 30 years and retired in 1998. His legacy lives on through Pat, his wonderful wife of 55 years, and his two sons, daughters-in-law and his five grandchildren. Ronnie was a steadfast member of the Kerrville Church of Christ and a beacon of encouragement to all of his family and friends. He truly loved Arms of Hope, his church, golfing, hunting in the mountains of Colorado and his home in the Texas Hill Country. ■

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Ann Robertson has a long and joyful relationship with Arms of Hope-Medina Campus. Besides being a generous financial supporter for decades, Ann remembers the blessing of having a child from Medina Children's Home stay with her family for weeks in the summer of 1984. The beautiful little girl's name was Nora and there's no doubt she experienced

the love of God in the Robertson home. Ann has taught 5 and 6 year old Bible Class at Kerrville Church of Christ for 50 years! She states: "My favorite part of teaching is seeing a child grasp understanding God and his love for them." Ann has taught an estimated 600 children during her 50 year ministry and remembers how excited she was in 2009 when Arms of Hope chil-

dren started attending church at KCC and therefore got to love on many of them in her class. "I love Arms of Hope because they truly help people in their most desperate time of need. They provide comfort and peace and want the children they serve to know about Jesus." It's obvious that Ann feels the same way about children knowing our Savior. Well done Ann! ■



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Max Tarbet (pictured with his wife Nelda) recently visited Boles Campus. Max was born in 1943 in Greenville, Texas and his mother was unable to care for him. An adoption was arranged by the directors of Boles Home when Max was six months old. He moved to Terrell, Texas where his father Felix Tarbet was a minister. After graduating from high school in San Diego, Max attended Pepperdine University, Sunset School of Preaching, and Abilene Christian University. He retired from full-time ministry in 2012 after 46 years of preaching within the churches of Christ in California, Arkansas, and Texas. The ministry of Arms of Hope is one of Kingdom influence across generations. ■



# ***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*

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