



FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Kitwana McTyer

President & CEO

Florida United Methodist Children's Home

There has been some discussion in the media lately about the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA), and I would like to take a moment to explain what the act entails as well as how it could impact the Children's Home. The FFPSA is part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 and has the potential to dramatically change child welfare systems across the country.

One of the major areas this legislation seeks to curtail is the use of congregate or group care for children and instead places a new emphasis on preventative services such as family foster care homes. Approved residential group care settings, known as qualified residential treatment programs, must use a trauma-informed treatment model and employ registered or licensed nursing staff and other licensed clinical staff. The staff of the Children's Home are trauma-informed, and we do have the licensed and qualified staff to continue providing excellent care to our children.

Several states, including Florida, petitioned for and received a two year implementation extension which will defer the full implementation and impact of the act until 2022. That being said, there are some unintended and adverse consequences that have surfaced for which the federal government has yet to provide a solution. One issue is determining how the Children's Home would be defined as a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP). One possible outcome is that we would be prohibited from using federal Medicaid reimbursement for counseling services provided to the children in our setting. This is concerning, and something that we are trying to address during the two year implementation extension.

The Children's Home is currently in partnership with other child welfare providers nation wide through our membership with Florida Coalition for Children. Collectively, we are making every effort to advocate for a resolution to this issue.

Regardless of the how FFPSA is finally implemented in 2022, it will not deter our continued commitment to pursue our mission with unwavering zeal and passion! The mission of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home is clear, we seek to empower children and families to experience the transforming love of Christ through wholistic care. This mission serves as a foundation for every aspect of our ministry to children and families. And with your continued support, we will be caring for children and families for many years to come.

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Florida United Methodist Children's Home

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One of our children decorating the tree in their cottage



RENOVATED & UPDATED

The Roland Memorial Chapel today

The need for an on-campus chapel led to the construction the Roland Memorial Chapel in 1978 on the Enterprise campus. Prior to having a chapel, the children would attend worship services in various buildings around campus including the gymnatorium. Children also attended services in local churches like Barnett Memorial United Methodist Church.

Currently, the chapel serves as the home of our Spiritual Life team, and the children's self-named worship group known as SPARK. It stands for Spiritually Powerful And Righteous Kids. In addition to worship services, the chapel provides space for music and choir lessons, plays, and a wide range of other activities for the children. In addition, staff utilize the space for meetings and trainings.

Thanks to generous gifts from donors, the chapel recently completed a renovation that not only made the space more attractive, but also much more functional. Thanks to the generosity of Robert Yates, we were able to expand the stage in the chapel, replace and upgrade the lighting and sound system, renovate office space for staff, and completely renovate and update the restrooms.

Another generous gift was provided by Bernie Simpkins, making it possible to update and upgrade the music suite. The renovation allowed us to make the music suite larger and more functional, while also updating the recording studio which is used in the production of videos and music programs. This gives the children an opportunity to learn about digital editing and recording through hands-on experience.



The chapel under construction in 1978

TEACHING FAMILY MODEL IS A SUCCESS

As part of our commitment to providing the highest quality care to the children we serve, the Children's Home adopted the Teaching Family Model (TFM) in December 2016. The TFM is a cognitive behavioral model of care that is based on the belief that much of the behaviors children display are learned. Behavioral issues often stem from a lack of interpersonal relationships and skills. By providing positive, caring relationships and teaching new skills, behavioral issues can be overcome and new behaviors taught.

Acquiring a broad and comprehensive set of skills increases the likelihood that the children will find success as a student, an employee, and as a positively contributing member of his or her community.

The TFM has shown through multiple evidence-based studies to be a very successful program, and we have seen the same type of success here at the Children's Home.

The American Psychological Association through its research

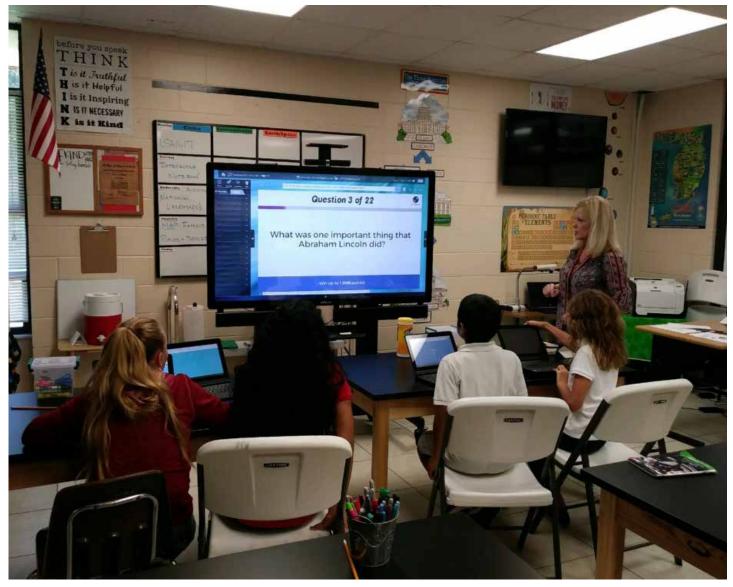
has reported results showing that children in programs that use the TFM have fewer contacts with law enforcement, have higher graduation rates, as well as improved grades and school attendance compared to non-TFM programs.

Over the past three years at the Children's Home, we have seen the TFM produce everything we hoped that it would. The children are thriving, and overall performing better in their academics. Behavioral incidents have noticeably decreased, both in the classrooms and cottages. The impact can be seen in children like Jennifer, a young lady who came to us from an abusive home. When she arrived, she had very low self-esteem. She had trouble understanding and accepting that people like her house parents and therapist truly wanted to help her.

Through the support of her house parents, therapist and other staff, and their application of the TFM, she has greatly improved. She has become much more outgoing and sociable of the past few months, and now looks for opportunities to help



Social Skills improve with TFM



School attendance and grades have improved

others around her. She has even begun talking about going to college so she can study medicine and become a doctor.

While some organizations have taken several years before becoming fully accredited, the Children's Home received full accreditation in just three short years. As part of the accreditation process, the Children's Home completed a peerled on-site review from the Teaching Family Association (TFA). In fact, the Children's Home scored very high on the review thanks to the hard work and dedication of our residential care team.

We are very proud of our team, from house parents to therapists, Spiritual Life, and the many other components that go into caring for the children. And you can be proud of the impact your support has had on the youth in our care. Their young lives are being turned around because of you.



Youth have higher graduation rates under TFM

SMART IDEAS FOR YEAR-END GIVING

If you're like most people, you're looking for ways to save money on this year's taxes. There is always simple and deductible monetary gift that can reduce your tax liability. But there are also many other ways that you can support the Children's Home while saving on your taxes.

OUTRIGHT GIFTS OF APPRECIATED ASSETS

Gifts of appreciated assets such as securities or real estate are an excellent way to help the Children's Home. These gifts can provide you with numerous benefits:

- Receive an income tax deduction, based typically on the asset's fair market value
- Avoid federal and state capital gains taxes
- Avoid the Affordable Care Act Medicare tax

LIFE INSURANCE GIFTS

Making a gift to us of your old, unneeded, or obsolete life insurance policy can provide you with the following benefits:

- Receive a charitable income tax deduction
- Reduce your taxable estate
- Preserve your cash and savings

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If you own low-yielding assets and are seeking a higher income, a charitable life income gift such as a charitable life annuity of charitable remainder trust may be worth exploring. In exchange for your charitable gift of cash or appreciated securities, you reap multiple benefits:

- Receive payments for your lifetime
- Generate a current income tax deduction
- Bypass all or a portion of the capital gains on appreciated assets
- · Enjoy increased financial security

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If your estate plans include leaving your residence (home, farm, vacation home) to charity, you may wish to create a charitable life estate arrangement. You can make a gift to the Children's Home of your property today and receive the following benefits:

- Current income tax deduction
- Life use and enjoyment of the property
- A lasting legacy to further our mission



FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME ANNUAL SURVEY

You are a valued partner in the mission of empowering children and families to experience God's love and care as revealed in the ministry of Jesus Christ. In order to be good and faithful stewards of the funds you afford us to support this organization, we would like to hear from YOU! You may also fill out the form online.

Go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/childrenshomesurvey2019

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Do you utilize our website? ☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, for what purpose? ☐ General updates ☐ Specific program information ☐ Make gifts ☐ Reach out to staff In terms of the number of requests to contribute, do you feel that you receive: ☐ Right amount ☐ Too many ☐ Not enough If you call/email with a question or concern, do you feel that it is addressed in a timely manner? ☐ YES ☐ NO		VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Did you know there are individual and group volunteer opportunities? ☐ YES ☐ NO EXTERNAL OPERATIONS Did you know that the Children's Home operates Heart & Home Resale Store, 2460A South Volusia Avenue, Orange City? ☐ YES ☐ NO Did you know that you can donate items to it and get a tax deduction? ☐ YES ☐ NO
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One of our youth showing his limbo skills at Homecoming

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