

Methodist Home for Children System

Continuing a Legacy of Life-Long Impact

ANNUAL REPORT 2022 - 2023



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Remarks from Kathrine Martin, President & CEO



“It has been an absolute pleasure being part of the Executive Management Team at Methodist for the past 20 years. I am honored and excited to continue my leadership role at Methodist as President & CEO. It is inspiring to be surrounded by a dedicated Board of Directors, talented staff and quality programming. I look forward to leading Methodist with grace and grit, as new opportunities continue to provide fundamental community services through Education, Case Management, Housing and Counseling. Methodist holds a very special place in my heart. As President & CEO, I look forward to showcasing our rich history and helping to enact an extraordinarily promising future.”

Remarks from William Hill, Board Chair



“The Board of Directors is thrilled that Kathrine Martin has assumed the President & CEO position. Her 21 years with the agency speaks for itself. In addition to providing dedicated service, Kathrine has been invited, continuously, to assume new leadership roles with progressively more responsibility. Initially specializing in Educational leadership, she currently has a comprehensive, holistic understanding of the organization. Over the past several years, Katie has worked closely with financial leadership to set Methodist Home for Children System on a stable fiscal path that will enable us to continue to be a preeminent social service agency in the City of Philadelphia.”



Board of Directors List

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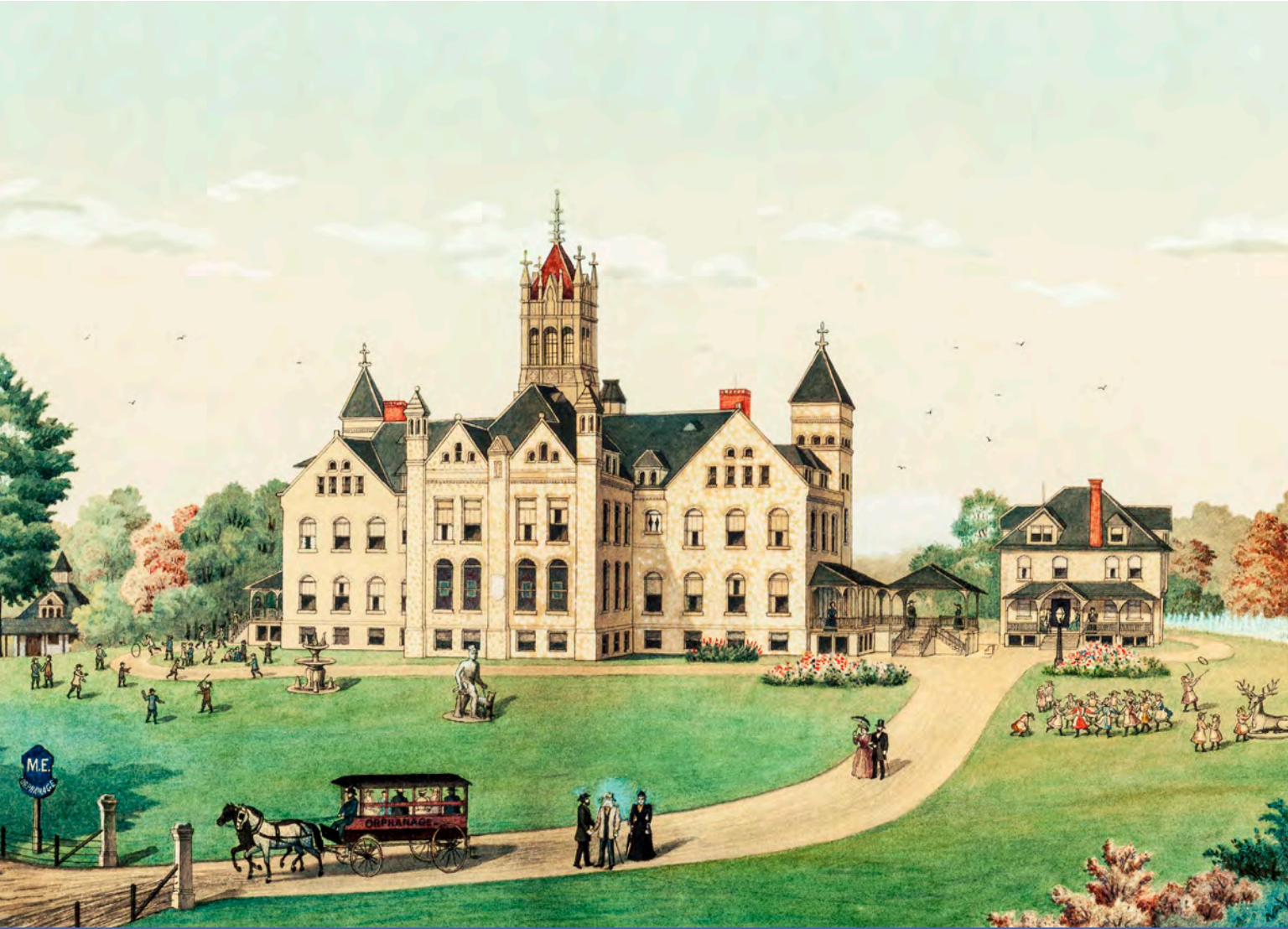
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History of the Methodist Home for Children System

The Methodist Home for Children was established in 1879 as a home for children orphaned by the Civil War, with the property generously donated by a local philanthropist, Colonel Joseph Bennett. While the organization has always received support from the Methodist Church's vast network, it is not officially affiliated with the Church and has always served children of all faiths. Over the past 144 years, as the needs of the community have changed, The Methodist Home for Children has undergone restructuring and renaming, and evolved its programs, but remains true to its founding commitment to children and their families.

Methodist Services and The Methodist Home for Children Foundation were established as supportive institutions to the Methodist Home for Children, each playing a distinct role to oversee the organization's significant physical assets and residential properties; manage its \$36 million endowment; and administer its diversity of programs. When conducting this strategic planning process, the Methodist Home for Children and Methodist Services were being considered for merger into one body and would remain a separate entity from the Foundation. The collective organizations are referred to as the Methodist Home for Children System (MHCS).



Vision, Mission & Programs

Our Vision

MHCS serves as a lifeline for those grappling with adversity, extending vital support, resources, and pathways to transformation. MHCS's high-quality services empower clients to surmount obstacles and nurture self-sufficiency. Their exemplary programs also facilitate connections for clients within the community, leading to increased support, partnerships and resources.

Our Mission

MHCS provides life-enriching services to children, adults, and families as they face the challenges of limited resources, increased poverty and homelessness, disability, and inequities in education and behavioral health services.

Our Programs

Philadelphia has one of the highest poverty rates in the country, affected by structural racism, gun violence and an increasing wealth gap. Like other areas of the United States, there is an increasing disparity between housing costs and wages. Philadelphia's children have huge challenges obtaining a quality education, with Philadelphia ranked fourth from the bottom in fourth-grade math and reading out of 26 big city districts in a national assessment. All of these issues contribute to poor education and employment outcomes, as well as homelessness whereby in 2022, on any given night almost 4,500 unhoused individuals could be found on the streets of Philadelphia.



Our Programs *continued*

Another major issue impacting all communities, but especially low-income families and individuals, including within Philadelphia, is the nationwide mental health crisis and the prohibitive cost of mental health services. According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness and the National Council for Mental Wellbeing, 1 in 5 Americans have a mental health condition, and 6 in 10 Americans seek mental health services but many cannot access them due to cost. To respond to issues found in Philadelphia and its surrounds, MHCS helps individuals, children and families from the community reach their greatest potential. With more than 150 full-time and part-time staff, and an annual operating budget of over \$8 million, MHCS serves an average of 2,600 individuals and families per year through the following programs:

Housing/Residential Services: MHCS has housing programs that encompass transitional and permanent housing that serve the Philadelphia community. MHCS is made up of eight different facilities, providing services to unhoused individuals and families. From the MHCS “Bridge House” which offers temporary transitional housing to residents in domestic, financial, or mental health crises; to Inglis Methodist Gardens, which provides affordable permanent housing, MHCS provides state-of-the-art housing and services for independent living. MHCS is proud to provide quality housing, in multiple ways, through permanent and transitional housing for women, youth and their families.



Our Programs *continued*

Community Counseling: MHCS provides counseling and psychiatric services to individuals, couples, and families in Bangor and Easton who are facing struggles in their daily functioning due to family conflicts, anxiety, depression, and other symptoms. Community Counseling Services helps clients utilize strengths-based strategies to manage distressing symptoms. In doing so, clients can improve day-to-day functioning and enjoy a reduction in symptoms such as anxiety, sadness and hopelessness.

Education: MHCS provides quality, licensed Kindergarten and early childhood services for children 6 weeks to 5 years old, including nutritious meals, and age-appropriate enriching activities. Head Start & PHL PreK Programs support families in Philadelphia with free childcare during the academic year to promote academic, social & physical development, while supporting families to fulfill their parental goals. MHCS also has multiple Out of School time programs and Summer Camps that provide additional enriching activities throughout the City of Philadelphia and on the main campus. MHCS' Heritage Farm grows fresh produce and offers hands-on education and life skills to the families that MHCS serves as well as to the surrounding community.



Our Programs *continued*

Case Management: MHCS' Case Management and Family Supportive Services provides support to families in need of stable housing, life skills, resources, and case management throughout the City of Philadelphia. The Parenting Collaborative teaches parents to understand and use positive parenting techniques and build healthy relationships with their children. MHCS' Community Schools Program and Case Management Services include a package of services and supports for students and families in four partner schools across Philadelphia. Family Unification Program and Shelter Plus Care support families that need help in securing housing throughout the city.

A distinguishing hallmark of MHCS is its client-centered approach and a strong commitment to fostering an environment where individuals feel valued. Consequently, MHCS is known by clients, staff, and external stakeholders (donors and partners) for its high-quality programs which have remained responsive and adaptable to the changing needs of the community. Clients report that they feel safe, welcomed, and respected by MHCS staff and that they feel more hopeful about their lives due to their connection to MHCS.

MHCS is currently led by three Boards, whose members have an impressive array of skills and backgrounds in corporate and nonprofit executive leadership, investment banking, accounting, higher education, medicine, nursing, mental health, child advocacy, restorative



Our Programs *continued*

justice, and church leadership. The Board has played a strong role in the organization's development, especially in supporting the executive leadership, and in providing strategic direction and financial oversight.

Other important partnerships include Mission First, Iron Stone, Quaker Group, Cradles to Crayons, PCOM, The Penn Towne Chapter of The Links, Foster Angels On Earth, The Junior League of Philadelphia, and even the Philadelphia 76ers.

As a result of MHCS' valuable and quality work, MHCS is seen favorably by funders and has had strong success in fundraising. In FY2023 MHCS raised \$7.3 million from donors and grants, (not including in-kind donations from Methodist Church congregations and others) with 98% of this support coming from the government. This success in fundraising, together with a \$36 million endowment, which provides additional grants each year, resulted in an end-of-year surplus.

Those who know Methodist Services know it is a beacon of hope and high-quality support for vulnerable families and adults. Professionals and medical providers refer clients to Methodist frequently. Many donors are long-term supporters and partners across government, business, and nonprofit sectors who find great value in Methodist's work and approach to serving people in dignified and holistic ways. And most telling, clients report that the services they receive are high quality, they feel welcomed by staff, and are inspired to help others.



In Gratitude for Their Support *(July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)*

\$20,000 & HIGHER

Blossom Philadelphia in Receivership
Child and Adult Food Program
City of Philadelphia - Office of Children and Families
City of Philadelphia - Office of Homeless Services
Community Counseling Services
Department of Human Services
Early Childhood and Summer Camp Program Revenue
Early Learning Resource Center
Foster Angels on Earth, Inc.
Methodist Home for Children Income - Rental & Developers Fees
Philadelphia Housing Authority
Public Health Management Corporation
The School District of Philadelphia
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development - Office of Supportive Housing
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

\$10,000 TO \$19,999

Kali & Vincent Curran
Estate of Ruth D. Miller
Two Rivers Health & Wellness Foundation
Wells Fargo Foundation

\$5,000 TO \$9,999

The Claddagh Fund Charities, Inc.
Cradles to Crayons
Domus, Inc.
Lincoln Investment
Philadelphia 76er's
Philadelphia Committee of The Garden Club of America
The Zidek Family Foundation



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\$2,000 TO \$4,999

Carole Boughter & Barry Dornfeld
Kimberly Bridges-White & Michael White
Annmarie & Jerry Burhop
Doylestown UMC
Emergency Food and Shelter Program
Ephrata: First UMC
Jack & Jill of America, Inc.
Lansdale: Christ UMC
Sonya Martin
Penn Towne Chapter of The Links
Anne Rice-Burgess
USA Swimming Foundation
Sharon & Paul Wolfgang

\$750 TO \$1999

The Abrams Family
Apex Pizza Express
Ardmore UMC
Benevity Community Impact Fund
Bloomsburg Theatre Ensemble
Nancy Bonadio
Bryn Mawr: St. Luke UMC
Bob Cull
Jason DeMarco
The Dezzi Group
Amy & Larry Dodds
F. Scott Donahue
Eastwick UMC
Ferguson Contracting

\$750 TO \$1999 *continued*

Garrett Trust
Linda & William Hill Jr.
Hirtle, Callaghan & Co LLC
Knights of the Golden Eagle
Liberty Tree & Landscape Management
Ernest May
Thais McNeal
Methodist Hospital - Jefferson
Barbara & Randall Miller
Terry Miller
Newtown UMC
Paoli UMC
Alice Schwartz & Mario Pisaneschi
Colleen & James Robinson
Lee Rosengard
Saylorsburg: St. Peter's UMC
Thomas Mill Associates
Andi Sheaffer
Lucinda Veit
Wells Fargo Employee Charitable Giving Program
West Grove UMC



In Gratitude for Their Support

\$250 TO \$749

Beth Abrams
 Melanie Allen
 Ardmore UMC/Friends In Faith Circle
 Citation Oil & Gas Corp.
 Jill & Steven Coates
 Colemanville United Methodist Women
 Covenant UMC
 Dave Rice Consulting, Inc.
 Sharon Durham
 Jean & Harold F. Ealer
 Exude
 First UMC of Phoenixville, UMW
 Frankford Memorial UMC
 Green Lane UMC
 Reverend Ethel Guy
 Anita Howard
 Jarrettown UMC
 Indira Joshi
 Lea Knight
 Lima United Methodist Women
 Marcos Lopez
 Beverly McPhail-Morgan
 Christopher Morrisey
 Reverend S. J. Mundell Jr.
 Parkesburg UMC
 PNC Foundation
 Elisabeth Rice
 Karen G. & Dr. Paul Rice
 Eleanor & Sherman Roberts

\$250 TO \$749 *continued*

Andrea Ross
 Reverend Joan Shumate
 Holly Smith
 Eleanor Sokolis
 Kathy & Sanford Sorkin
 Charles Sorkin
 Union UMC
 The Weeders

UP TO \$249

Accenture
 Ambler: Calvary UMC
 Robin Bass
 Lorraine Belcher
 Berwyn UMC
 Helen Best
 Bethel Hill UMC
 Bethel United Methodist Women
 Brookhaven UMC
 Jeffrey Brown
 Louise E. Cebzanov
 Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Theta Chapter
 Kristin & Richard Cobb
 Ellen Collins
 Conshohocken UMC
 Contango Resources, Inc.
 Reverend Robert G. Coombe
 Erica Dalessandro
 Kimberly Daniel



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UP TO \$249 *continued*

Roger Danzinger
DOCS Health
Katherine Douglas
Eastern Pennsylvania Conference UMC
Scott Engel
Faith United Methodist Women
Patsy A. Fink
Fox Chase UMC
The Gateway School
General Electric Co. Common Stock
Keri Golembeski
Gina Golson-Nunery
Brian Gombert
Lynn Gosselin
Ivy Graff
Nancy Hammond & Rev. Kenneth Hawes
Lauren Hansen-Flaschen
Robyn Helzner
Betsy Hershberg
Christopher Hoban
Home Depot Easton
Reverend Jere Hopkins-Doerr
Huntingdon Valley UMC/Women
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Kim Jackson
Tamika Jackson
Judith & Richard S. Knight
Warren C. Kromer

NGA Hatboro
NGA Lansdale & Hatfield
Jennifer LeBow
Lenhardt Rodgers Architecture
Linkedin Corporation
Kathryn Lippin
Nicole Lyons
Theresa Malone
Kathrine Martin
Joan Mastrandrea
Media First UMC - United Women in Faith
Cheryl Merrill
Newtown United Methodist Women
Otterbein United Methodist Women
Oxford UMC
Oxford United Methodist Women
PNC Institutional Asset Management
Port Carbon First UMC
Primex Garden Center
Mark Pulliam
Gina Ralph
Virginia & John Rice
Sayers Memorial UMC
Schiller and Hersh Associates, Inc.
Bridget Schneider
Marjorie Smink
Solebury United Methodist Women
Stephanie Squires
Heather Stutz



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UP TO \$249 *continued*
Target Store Philadelphia
Reverend David Tatgenhorst
Saniyah Taylor-Blackson
Trasoil Marketing, LLC
Gwendolyn Tunnell
United Way of Greater Lehigh Valley
Valley Forge UMC
Christena Wallace
Cynthia Wallace
Wayne UMC
West Chester UMC
Sarah Williamson
Larry Wiltshire

RESULTS FROM 2023 CLIENT SURVEY

- **95%** agree/strongly agree receiving services that they want and need from Methodist Services
- **95%** of clients surveyed agree/strongly agree that they feel welcomed by staff
- **90%** agree/strongly agree that they feel safe on campus
- **90%** agree/strongly agree that the programs/services are high quality
- **88%** say they are more hopeful for their future because of participation in programs
- **76%** say their participation inspires them to help others
- **75%** agree/strongly agree that they feel respected by others in Methodist Services' programs



Ways to Give

One of the easiest ways to make an immediate and direct impact is to support Methodist Services financially. You can maximize your gift today by sending a check to our Main Campus office, Methodist Services, 4300 Monument Road, Philadelphia, PA 19131.

Planned Gifts

Planned Giving has a long history at Methodist Services. Over our history, the continuation of our mission has been ensured due in large part to generous estate gifts from donors who have remembered us in their wills. Making Methodist part of your estate plan means making sure Methodist will continue to serve the children and families into the future. Make an impact by: *Making a Beneficiary Gift, Donating Gifts of Appreciated Assets, Establishing a Charitable Gift Annuity or by Making a Beneficiary Gift.*

Annual Fund Gifts

Methodist transforms generous donations from individuals, businesses, organizations and churches into programs and services that benefit the children, individuals and families we serve every day. You can make a gift each year by sending a check or by using our secure online donation page. Methodist Services is a registered 501(c)(3) and all annual fund gifts are tax deductible. Our fiscal year begins on July 1 and ends on June 30.

Make a gift through our secure online site: methodistservices.org and click on Donate Now. For further information contact cboughter@methodistservices.org.



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