

Our treatment programs and our mission...

Our Programs...

Residential Treatment. Our Residential Treatment Program provides 24-hour treatment to the children who are unable to function in traditional home environments due to abuse, neglect or behavioral problems. The goal is to help the child and/or family resolve past traumas and assist in the development of new coping skills, with the ultimate goal of returning the child to his/her family or to a less restrictive environment, when reunification with the family is not a possibility. **For children in immediate crisis,** Respite and Sub-Acute Services are offered through our Special Services Unit.

Day Treatment. Our Day Treatment Program is available as an alternative to out-of-home placement. This therapeutic program combines a special education curriculum with consistent structured interventions by specialists who help children with behavioral problems learn the skills that will better help them function in a public school setting or within the community. A collaborative effort with families and community agencies ensures a successful transition back into that community.

CBFS Program. Our Community-Based Family Services Program provides in-home treatment for children from infancy to 18 years of age. The program serves children who are at risk of out-of-home placement, children who are graduating from residential care, or those returning home after temporary placements elsewhere.

Education Program. For children who are having difficulty achieving success in the public school setting, our Education Program offers a continuum of educational approaches to meet the behavioral and academic needs of students. In addition to the educational component offered through the residential and day treatment programs, we also offer an IDEAL program. Referral to this course of study is made by the student's home school. The program runs for nine months from August through June. Recreational therapy and experiential education are also offered through our Summer Program.

Our Mission...

Tennyson Center for Children at Colorado Christian Home is a community of people dedicated to breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect, serving and strengthening children and families. As professionals and concerned citizens, Tennyson Center for Children strives to provide competent and caring treatment, educational and advocacy services that are community based, family-focused and child-centered.



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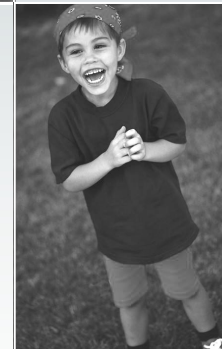
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These are OUR children...

The Legacy of Tennyson Center...

Over a century ago in northern Colorado, a legacy of caring was born when John and Mary Warren founded Colorado Christian Home as an orphanage in 1904. The campus may have changed a bit since the early days, but that legacy lives on today at Tennyson Center for Children.



We've grown quite a bit in the past century and today we are the Rocky Mountain region's largest treatment center for abused, neglected and

troubled children aged 5-14. We were proud to be the first licensed day treatment program in Colorado back in 1981; we were proud when we moved into our new, state-of-the-art facility back in 1996; and we're even more proud today to be recognized as a leader in not only the healing and protection of children from abuse and neglect, but also in the efforts to eradicate child abuse from our society.



Our Philosophy...

One of the cornerstones of our treatment program is working with the parents and families of the children we serve, helping moms and dads learn how to parent differently than what they experienced as children. In this way, Tennyson Center is able to ensure that before the children conclude their therapy and treatment, positive changes have occurred within the family unit, thus helping to break the cycle of abuse.

Child-Centered. Early intervention while children are still living within the family unit is the best time to solve difficult problems. Children thrive best in a safe environment that provides consistency, structure and nurturing.

Family-Focused. The total family unit is the focus of treatment. Families possess the inherent capacity to heal themselves with the proper guidance and counseling. A systems approach is the most effective way to support families and address social problems.

Community-Based. Children and families respond best to treatment that addresses the community and culture in which they live. It is our duty to heighten community and legislative awareness of the difficult changes that face families in today's society.

About Child Abuse...

The children we serve at Tennyson Center have, on average, been in 5.8 placements outside their home. Many have been traumatized by abuse, neglect and unstable home environments. Providing these children with a safe and secure setting is essential to their healing and success.

Child abuse is reported on an average of every 10 seconds and three children die every day as a result of such abuse. Sadly, Colorado has one of the highest rates of child abuse in the country. According to the National Child Abuse & Neglect Data System (NCANDS), Colorado ranks 3rd in the nation for deaths resulting from child abuse. Further compounding the problem, Colorado's state funding to help battle child abuse ranks among the lowest in the nation.

Success. Tennyson Center for Children has an impressive rate of success with the children we serve. On average, over 80% of children discharged from Tennyson Center return to safer homes within the community. An average of 75% of those children transitioned successfully into public school settings and 84% of all caseworkers, referral sources and families were satisfied or very satisfied with the services provided.

