

How We Help





Our Mission

OBHC exists to show and share the love of Christ to children and their families.

Our Core Values

Respect

We will treat others with God-honoring dignity, demonstrating the grace God has given us, to those we serve as well as those we serve alongside.

Integrity

We will hold to the highest level of Christian character. We will strive to do our best to honor God with excellence while acknowledging perfection belongs to God alone.

Gift of Life

We believe children are a gift from the Lord! We will strive to protect and nurture them at every stage of life and in every setting.

Home

We believe the family is the foundation of society established by God according to the Bible. We will be advocates for the family and are committed to providing Christ-centered homes and equipping families to do the same.

Together

We believe we accomplish more through cooperation with others than by ourselves. We will be good partners who work in collaboration with others to advance our Gospel focus.

Child-Focused Care

Since 1903, OBHC has provided a place for children in need of a home. Our desire is to help families requiring assistance find hope in a time of need. Three of OBHC's residential campuses provide Child-Focused Care, where up to eight boys or eight girls are placed in a cottage-style home under the supervision of a husband and wife serving as houseparents. Children enjoy meals, activities, chores and homework in their day-to-day life together. Children are encouraged to participate in a variety of school, church and campus activities and programs. Our ministry is a gift in Christ's name; we do not require payment for services. These services are licensed by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.



Campuses



Edmond: 405.341.3606



Baptist Home for Girls

-Madill: 580.564.2218



Baptist Children's Home

Owasso: 918.272.2233

To Apply

To find out more information or apply, visit obhc.org/children.



We Serve

- Children from hurting families dealing with divorce, alcohol, drug abuse, sickness, death, incarceration or financial issues.
- Children without parents or parental supervision.
- Children with minor behavioral/disciplinary issues.
- Children in DHS custody (without DHS payment).

Criteria for Service

- Children must be willing to accept placement and make an honest effort to overcome their emotional struggles or any negative behavioral patterns.
- Children should have the ability to positively interact with other children and adult caregivers.
- Children need to be able to function in a public school setting.
- Children should be willing to attend a local Southern Baptist church.
- No child will be denied services on the basis of race, color, national origin or religious affiliation.
- OBHC is not equipped to meet the needs of children who are addicted to drugs and alcohol, who need in-depth psychiatric care, exhibit habitual delinquent behavior, who are mentally or physically disabled, or are physically or sexually aggressive. We can make referrals to other facilities that are capable of handling these unique scenarios.

College and Career

Residents who have lived on campus and graduated from high school may be eligible for the College and Career program. This program helps young adults who are working or continuing their education become more independent by offering apartment-style housing.

Aftercare

OBHC's desire is to maintain contact and support students and families after graduating high school. Aftercare services include educational scholarships, alumni loan funds, as well as an ongoing relationship and encouragement as long as they desire.

Family-Focused Care

OBHC believes in the sanctity of the family. The mission of Family-Focused Care is to inspire Christ-like change through authentic relationships in a community context with biblical truth and grace.

Family-Focused Care helps single mothers, who may have limited or no support or resources, by providing an opportunity to develop a solid foundation for themselves and the children in their custody. Families become productive and more self-sufficient by providing a safe, stable and nurturing place to live, while equipping, assisting and teaching important skills that support both the mothers and those in their custody.

Areas Include

- Parenting Skills
- Career Development
- Spiritual Development/Church Involvement
- Relational Needs
- Money Management
- Education

We Serve

- Single mothers 18 years or older.
- Single mothers with limited or no resources and their children.



Campuses



Owasso: 918.272.2233



Oklahoma City: 405.691.7781

To Apply

To find out more information or apply, visit obhc.org/ministries/family-focused-care.



Criteria for Service

- Single mothers must be at least 18 years old, not pregnant and have custody of their child/children.
- Children must be at least six weeks old and be able to go to daycare or public school.
- Participants must be willing to share common living areas and positively interact with other families.
- Participants must encourage positive relations with an ex-husband or boyfriend but separate themselves from unhealthy relationships.
- Participants must commit to leave behind any bad habits such as drinking, drugs or other habits that hinder focus on improvement.
- A commitment is required of at least 30 hours a
 week to improving job skills through schooling or
 obtaining employment within a career path plan.
- Participants must attend church services.
- Participants must agree to become involved in counseling.
- Participants are required to attend a weekly Life Skills class that includes topics such as parenting, financial planning, relational and emotional wellbeing, Bible study and other assorted classes.



hope Hope Pregnancy Center

Hope's purpose is to help young men and women have hope and choose life in the midst of an unplanned pregnancy. Trained staff and volunteers offer education and support for men and women facing an unplanned pregnancy. The desire of the staff is to encourage, affirm dignity and self-worth, and provide positive alternatives for individual situations and needs. Every person is treated with strict confidentiality and respect in a non-judgmental, non-discriminatory manner.

Alva (NW OK):

Hope Pregnancy Center 580,327,9091

Ardmore:

Hope Pregnancy Center 580,223,7232

Edmond:

Hope Pregnancy Center 405.330.0200

North Oklahoma City: Hope Pregnancy Center 405.755.5433

Shawnee:

Hope Pregnancy Center 405.585.0693

South Oklahoma City: Hope Pregnancy Center 405.688.8700

Tulsa:

Hope Pregnancy Center 918.622.3325

Hope Pregnancy Center Patty Ann Mobile Unit 405.534.7225

Client Services

- Pregnancy Testing.
- Ultrasounds.
- Pregnancy Option Education.
- Adoption Education and Referrals.
- Community Referrals to strengthen support systems and meet needs such as housing, counseling and education.
- Empowered Parenting a program to provide a support system for expectant and new parents. Participants earn baby items for participating in weekly prenatal, baby care, parenting, fatherhood and relationship classes.
- Forgiven and Set Free a 10-week class to facilitate healing and forgiveness for those suffering emotionally and spiritually from abortion.

Pregnancy Resource Network of Oklahoma

This network is comprised of evangelical life-affirming centers. Participating centers are committed to helping and encouraging one another as each strives to reach and minister to the abortion-vulnerable in their communities. For more information, visit pregnancynet.org.





Oklahoma Baptist Homes for Children (OBHC) Foster Care Ministries engages, equips and mobilizes local churches to create or enhance a support ministry for resource families (foster, kinship and adoptive) in their congregation, community and surrounding area to target the need for increased retention and participation of resource families in Oklahoma.

Our Strategy

- To develop a statewide network of churches that C.A.R.E.S. who lovingly minister to and actively support foster, kinship and adoptive parents, children in care and child welfare staff.
- To partner with individuals and agencies to provide Christ-centered, practical training and resources to churches and families.
- To work closely with state agencies and community partners to maximize support for resource families in Oklahoma.

hope Northwest Ministries

Northwest Ministries works with community partners and churches to develop, promote and implement OBHC ministries in the northwest part of Oklahoma. Officed in Alva, Northwest Ministries gives guidance for programs such as LifeWize and Empowered Parenting. As of 2023, Northwest Ministries has added a Hope Pregnancy Center providing pregnancy testing, pregnancy options education and ultrasound services to help young men and women have hope and choose life in the midst of an unplanned pregnancy.











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Financial Responsibility

OBHC does not charge for its services or accept government funds. OBHC is dependent upon the generosity of caring people and churches. While there is no charge for services, families may make donations to OBHC or be involved in their child's care by providing for special needs that arise. Families are expected to pay for all medical needs during the child's time of placement.

Funding Our Ministry

Residential care is expensive, but OBHC does not accept government funds or charge for its services. Approximately 5% of OBHC's budget comes from Oklahoma's Southern Baptist churches through the Cooperative Program. The remaining 95% comes from gifts from individuals and churches, as well as dividends from funds placed in endowment. These gifts allow OBHC to provide excellent care to children in need of a home.

OBHC is an affiliate corporation of Oklahoma Baptists.





