

**LOUISIANA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN and FAMILY SERVICES, INC.
STATISTICAL REPORT OF SERVICES FOR 2007**

REFERRAL STATISTICS

During 2007, Louisiana Methodist Children’s Home received a total of 1466 referrals for placement in our residential programs. Of these children referred for placement, 490 were referred by the Division of Youth Services, 683 were referred by the Office of Community Services and 210 were referred privately. 83 youth were referred by police or sheriff’s offices.

During 2007, Louisiana Methodist Children’s Home served a total of 293 individual youth in our residential programs. The average length of stay was 122.32 days, determined by dividing the days of care provided by the number of individuals served.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Our programs of residential care during 2007 included Alternate Care (AC), Emergency Shelter Care (ESC), Changing Attitudes & Behaviors (CAB) Program, Residential Care (RC), and WINGS Residential (CS). These residential programs were licensed as three distinct levels of care; CAB is Intensive, ESC and AC are licensed as High/Controlled, WINGS Child Specific is High and RC is licensed as Moderate.

The days of care provided by custody for the individual programs of care are provided in the chart below. The total potential days of care during the year were 38,690. Of these potential 38,690 days of residential care, we provided 35,841 actual days of care, operating at 92.63 % of potential capacity. The 35,841 actual days of care provided in 2007 represents a decrease of 0.32 % compared to the year 2006 when we provided 35,959 actual days of residential care.

Residential Program (Level of Care)	Custody				Total Days by Program
	AC	DOC	OCS	Private	
Alternate Care (Controlled/High)	864	0	0	0	864
Emergency Shelter Care (Controlled/High)	0	309	1,812	288	2,409
Changing Aggressive Behaviors (Intensive)	0	0	10,789	0	10,789
Residential Care (Moderate)	0	5984	13,211	440	19,635
Child Specific/WINGS (High)	0	0	2,144	0	2,144
Total by Custody	864	6,293	27,956	728	35,841

Relationship of Actual Days of Care Provided to Potential Days and Actual Days in Previous Year

Actual Days 2006	Residential Program (Level of Care)	Potential Days (Capacity)	Actual Days 2007	Percentage of Capacity	Percentage Over 2006
1224	Alternate Care (Controlled)	1,460	864	59.17%	-29.41%
1,831	Emergency Shelter Care (Controlled)	2,920	2,409	82.50%	31.56%
10,908	Changing Aggressive Behaviors (Intensive)	10,950	10,789	98.52%	-1.09%
19,836	Residential Care (Moderate)	21,170	19,635	92.74%	-1.01%
2,160	Residential Care (Child Specific)	2,190	2,144	97.89%	-0.74%
35,959	Totals by Custody	38,690	35,841	92.63%	-0.32%

Days of Residential Care Provided by Contract/Bed Distribution

Residential Services Contracts	Contractual Days of Care	Actual Days of Care	Number Over Contract	Percentage Over Contract
OCS - Emergency Shelter Care	2,190	1,812	-378	-17.26%
AC - Emergency Shelter Care	1,460	864	-596	-40.82%
OCS - Changing Aggressive Behaviors	10,950	10,789	-161	-1.47%
OCS - Child Specific	2,190	2,144	-46	-2.10%
OCS - Residential Care	13,140	13,211	70	0.53%
DOC - Residential Care	6,570	6,293	-277	-4.21%
PRI - Residential/Emergency Shelter Care	1,460	728	-732	-50.13%

Statistics related to the custody, race and gender of our residents are provided below:

Individuals By Race, Gender And Custody

Custody	Black			White			Other			TOTAL		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
AC	38	15	23	44	20	24	0	0	0	82	35	47
DOC	24	9	15	18	8	10	0	0	0	42	17	25
OCS	87	33	54	77	31	46	1	1	0	165	65	100
PRI	0	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	4	2	2
TOTALS	149	57	92	143	61	82	1	1	0	293	119	174

Custody by Race

Race	AC	DOC	OCS	PRI
Black	46.34%	57.14%	52.72%	0
White	53.66%	42.86%	46.67%	100%
Hispanic	0	0	0.61%	0
TOTALS	100%	100%	100%	100%

Percent Private/State by Race

Race	PRI	ST
Black	0	51.55%
White	100%	48.10%
Hispanic	0	0.35%
TOTALS	100%	100%

Racial Distribution

Race	%
Black	50.85%
White	48.81%
Hispanic	0.34
TOTAL	100%

ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND LENGTH OF STAY STATISTICS

Statistics related to the admission and discharge of youth from the different levels of care is presented in the chart below. For purposes of utilization review, these statistics also provide information regarding length of stay by custody and level of care.

Residential Program	Custody	Continued from 2006	Admitted In 2007	Discharged In 2007	Continued to 2008	Participants	Days Of Care	Average LOS (days)
CAB	OCS	30	16	17	29	46	10,789	234.54
CS	OCS	6	9	9	6	15	2,144	142.93
AC	AC	3	79	79	3	82	864	10.53
ESC	DOC	1	10	10	1	11	309	28.09
	OCS	4	46	43	7	50	1,812	36.24
	PRI	0	2	2	0	2	288	144.00
	TOTAL	5	58	55	8	63	2,409	38.23
RGC	DOC	16	15	13	18	31	5,984	193.03
	OCS	36	14	19	31	50	13,211	264.22
	PRI	4	2	4	2	6	440	73.33
	TOTAL	56	31	36	51	87	19,635	225.69
GRAND TOTALS		100	193	196	97	293	35,841	122.32

INDEPENDENT LIVING

During 2007, 378 structured classes and seminars were presented to 14-21 year olds. This is a decrease of 10.21% from the 421 classes and seminars taught in 2006. A total of 670 individual youth received services from the Independent Living Program. Children in the care of our agency, other child care agencies and in foster care have attended classes in subjects such as apartment hunting, check writing, banking, nutrition and many other subjects related to living independently. Our staff provides services to a catchment area, which covers all of northeast Louisiana, from Lincoln Parish to the Mississippi River.

Each participant in the Independent Living Program receives a pre-test and post-test for independent living skills assessment. During 2007 the average score on pre-tests was 61% with the average on post-tests being 83% for a pre-test/post-test average percent of change of 36%.

FAMILY COUNSELING CENTER

During 2007, Family Counseling Center served a total of 2641 individuals. This number includes outpatient counseling, residential youth and family services, Crime Victim's Assistance program services, community outreach education and prevention services, and professional evaluation and referral services.

Services and Programs Offered during 2007

Programs	Families	Individuals
Outpatient Services	221	368
Sally Thigpen's Court-Ordered Program	54	97
Residential Services	84	229
Community Education and Preventive Services	0	1875
Crime Victim's Assistance Program	51	72
TOTAL SERVED	*410	2641

- *Families that received counseling services*

Outpatient Services includes family and marital counseling, individual counseling and play therapy with children. In addition, Family Counseling has offered a variety of groups including Anger Management, Family Divorce Recovery (Transparenting and Rollercoasters), Parenting (Filial), and Couple's Enrichment.

Residential Services includes counseling with residents and their families. Groups are provided to residents on a variety of topics as needed.

Crime Victim's Assistance Program provides counseling and advocacy services for both outpatient clients and residential clients who are identified as victims of crime. In addition, groups are provided to residential youth upon request.

Family Counseling Center staff has facilitated training for professionals and has provided informative and preventative programs to the community at large.

Dr. Thigpen's court-services include custody evaluations, mediations, collaborative divorce and court-ordered counseling.

HOWARD SCHOOL

During 2007, Howard Educational Center provided educational services to a total of 237 different youth. 236 of these youth were residents of Methodist Children's Home. Howard Educational Center served 154 different youth in regular Residential classes, an increase of 110% over the previous year. 38 youth moved through the regular classroom and on to either public school or Vo-Tech. 83 youth participated in short-term educational services. 14 youth participated in the Howard School GED program and 5 of these graduated after earning their GED yielding an average of 35.71%.

Howard Education Center started the Career Educational Center in September of 2007. 13 youth participated in the Career Educational program and 5 of these students obtained their skill certificates.

FAMILY PLUS PROGRAM

During the calendar year of 2007, the programs of the Family Plus department provided assistance to a total of 1,429 individuals and 658 families. The services offered included such things as: out-patient counseling, in-home counseling, assessments, referrals, aftercare, seminars and workshops.

The Multi Systemic Therapy (MST) in-home program in Monroe and Shreveport served a total of 292 individuals and 73 families. This marks the first complete year of providing this service; private families are one-third of the caseload and Office of Community Services (OCS) of the State of Louisiana is contracted to provide the remaining two-thirds of these cases. 75% of the MST cases closed successfully in 2007.

During 2007 Family Plus continued to pursue grant funding in order to enhance and expand services. The following grants were received in 2007: Louisiana Charities Trust (\$25,000), Wilson Foundation (\$20,000), United Way of Northeast Louisiana (\$6,800), Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (\$3,022). Other grant proposals have been submitted.

During 2007 Family Plus added a part-time clerical staff member, with the primary responsibilities of facilitating private insurance billing and collecting outcome data from the MST program client families. Therapy income was \$26,855 for 2007, compared to \$18,071 in 2006, and \$12,355 in 2005. The MST TAM collection rate is currently 75%, and the plan is to increase that in 2008.

Central Louisiana Family Plus Office in Pineville had a dramatic increase in services, and were able to open a satellite office in Leesville, which has expanded the coverage area. The Baton Rouge Family Plus Office was lost entirely in a tragic fire at Ingleside UMC in January of 2007. Family Plus was able to quickly rebound, but had to temporarily suspend services in July and August due to health reasons of the Baton Rouge Family Plus Therapist. Despite these setbacks, services were consistent in 2007 and plans to expand in 2008. The Monroe and Shreveport offices each experienced growth in all areas, and both had a successful year.

For 2008, Family Plus will offer Active Parenting classes and a Strengthening Families Program in all locations. We are optimistic that it will expand the coverage area by opening a Family Plus office in Southwest Louisiana during 2008.