Donate!

- **Your Investment**
  Your donation to Methodist Children's Home Society ensures that the abused and neglected children we serve will have a safe haven from harm. We offer many ways for you to support our mission.

Get Involved!

- **Volunteer**
  Become an MCHS volunteer through our Bridge Builders volunteer program. Volunteer as a family, group or individually. Change the world by using your skills to impact the life of a child!
- **Take a Campus Tour**
  We welcome you to join us for a campus tour through the new Connections and Possibilities program! Learn more about how MCHS serves the community and how you can get connected. Walking tours are offered during the third week of every month and usually last for about an hour.
- **Become an MCHS Community Ambassador**
  Sign up to help us spread the word about our programs and services. Help the community understand the issues related to child abuse and the mission of MCHS.

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Adoption

When you help a child, you change a life.

Creating Forever Families

WHAT IS ADOPTION? – Adoption is legally taking a child into your family as a permanent member. The relationship is established by law with all the rights and responsibilities that would exist with birth families.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ADOPT? – Adoptive applicants can be single individuals or married couples who:

- are in good health.
- are at least 21 years of age.
- are able to demonstrate good parenting skills.
- are married applicants adopting together.
- own or rent a home or an apartment.
- have adequate childcare plans and a solid support system.
- each household member age 18 and over must submit to a criminal & protective service background check.

WHO ARE THE CHILDREN THAT NEED ADOPTION? – Thousands of children are currently in the foster care system awaiting permanent placement with their forever families. Some have been abused, neglected or abandoned, leading to the termination of parental rights by the court. Many of these children have special needs because of their emotional scars and past suffering.

Relatives or foster parents adopt the majority of children in Michigan. Often there are groups of brothers and sisters who need adoptive homes. Staff try to place these children together whenever possible.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST? – Adopting a child is free; however, there is a county court filing fee which should not exceed $250.

Facts and Figures

✓ Facilitated 38 adoptions in 2010

✓ Children were 1 – 15 years old

✓ Over the past five years, MCHS has facilitated 159 adoptions

There is pure joy when children and adults join together to become a family. Adoption, the intentional growth of families, gives children a loving home, a new name and relatives. It also gives families another branch to their family tree, more hugs and the ability to make a difference one life at a time.

For more information on our adoption program,
please contact the MCHS Placement Office at : (313) 531-6190