

A brighter tomorrow for children and families in Texas.

Big Hearts, Bright Futures

Volunteer Services Building Campaign for DePelchin



Who We Are

Founded by Kezia Payne DePelchin in 1892, DePelchin Children's Center supports and sustains children and the families who care for them. We provide comprehensive services focused on ensuring all children are part of safe, caring homes. We are proud to serve children and families in Houston, Austin, San Antonio, and Lubbock.

Vision: DePelchin Children's Center believes every child deserves to be safe and healthy.

Mission: We strengthen the lives of children by enhancing their mental health and physical well-being.

Our Work

DePelchin enhances the lives children and families through a variety of services and programs:

- Foster and kinship care
- Adoption services
- Residential treatment for youth ages 6-13 who cannot safely live with a family
- Transitional living for youth and young adults aging out of foster care
- Residential services for pregnant and parenting teens in foster care
- Individual and family counseling
- Crisis counseling for families
- Interpersonal skills-building coaching for children ages 3-18
- Parenting education programs
- Home visiting support for parents of young children
- School-based mental health programs
- Fatherhood programs
- Family resource centers
- Community education and training for professionals and community groups about critical mental health issues and how to respond to trauma



Our Impact in 2022

128 children adopted

769 children cared for in foster homes

19,000 and 140 families

licensed to

provide

foster care

counseling therapeutic sessions







Houston's children and families need our help.

For the past several years, DePelchin has seen rapid growth in the need for two crucial initiatives for those we serve:

- Basic but essential items for children placed in foster and adoptive homes, and for at-risk families with limited resources
- Trauma-informed mental health care, parenting support, and education for foster, adoptive, and at-risk families

The Donation Station



Whether it's helping a newly placed child integrate into a foster family, or helping a family struggling with mental health issues, DePelchin caseworkers are there with new donated supplies so families can focus on what matters.

Group Training for Families

DePelchin's evidence-based training classes provide strategies for solving families' most challenging problems. Children don't come with instruction books, but our staff do, and families are stronger as a result.



Additional capacity is mission critical.



- Aging infrastructure
- Limited space for storage and access to inventory
- Inadequate room for volunteer groups
- Too few classrooms for provision of mental health and training services

Volunteer Services Building

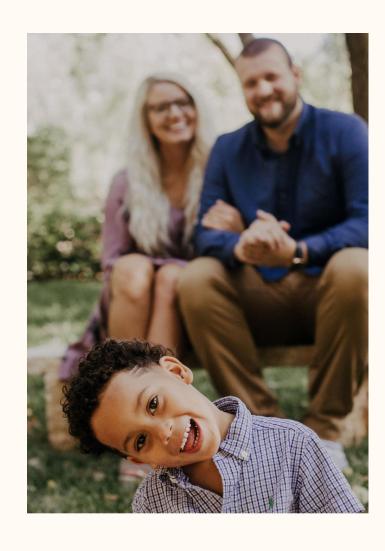
- New, modern 21,000 SF building
- Quadrupled capacity for donated goods
- Doubled classroom and training space
- Larger volunteer workspace
- Space for children's enrichment
- Accessible facilities





Building Plan

- 1. Entry/Lobby
- 2. Covered Dropoff
- 3. Office
- 4. Children's Spaces
- 5. Receiving and Sorting
- 6. Volunteer Workroom/Multi-use
- 7. Restrooms
- 8. Loading Dock
- 9. Distribution (1)/Storage (2)
- 10. Stairs
- 11. Elevator
- 12. Training & Education Rooms
- 13. Breakroom
- 14. Carts/Rolling Bins
- 15. Building Support
- 16. Classrooms/Breakouts
- 17. Janitor's Closet
- 18. Copy Room
- 19. IT/Electrical Rooms
- 20. Roof



Project Budget

Total cost	\$8,025,875
Contingency and miscellaneous	\$558,000
Owner development costs Permitting, surveys, cabling, signage, security, etc.	\$235,000
Professional fees Architect, graphic designer, civil engineer, etc.	\$565,375
Furniture and equipment	\$317,500
Construction and site work	\$6,350,000

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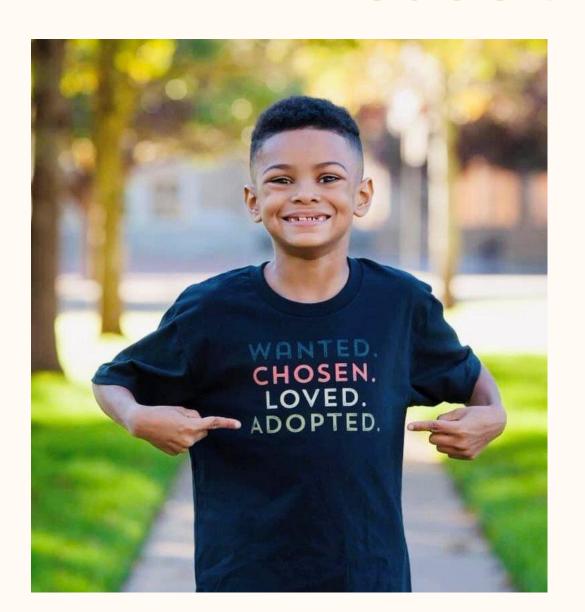
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Please Join Us



Your investment will make it possible for DePelchin to provide life-changing resources to our community's most vulnerable children.

"We can neither forsake nor fail them." Kezia Payne DePelchin, 1892