



HOLSTON HOME
FOR CHILDREN

2024-25 Annual Report



Holston Home for Children's mission: to provide hope and healing for a brighter future by sharing the love of Jesus with children and families struggling with life's challenges.

Christian Life at Holston Home

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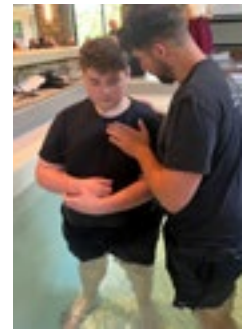
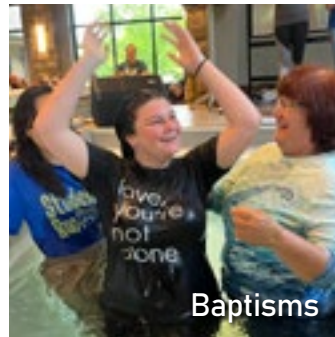
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*Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this:
to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep
oneself from being polluted by this world.
James 1:27 (NIV)*

What Do The Children Say?

“The best thing about being at Holston is meeting God.” *Nakia*

“The best thing about being at Holston is learning how to be a better person and being able to ride the horses.” *A.J.*

“The best thing about Holston is my staff.” *MacKenzie*

“The best thing about River Academy is the people are so nice and loving.” *Jesse*

“The best thing about being at Holston is that I have learned a lot of better ways to control my anger and have matured a lot. Overall, they have helped me with everything.” *Caiden*

“The best thing about Holston Home is building relationships and building independent living skills.” *Joshua*

“The best thing about Holston Home is being able to focus on myself and better myself as a person.” *William*

What Do The Parents Say?

“Our staff, Caitlin, was the best, she made it better to understand things for all of us!”
Ms. Hopkins

“The most helpful thing about Holston is they treat kids and family like family...they have helped with supporting us to visit my son.” *A.J.’s Mother*

“The most helpful thing about Holston Home was staff getting Hunter to finally communicate his feelings with us!” *Hunter’s Mom*

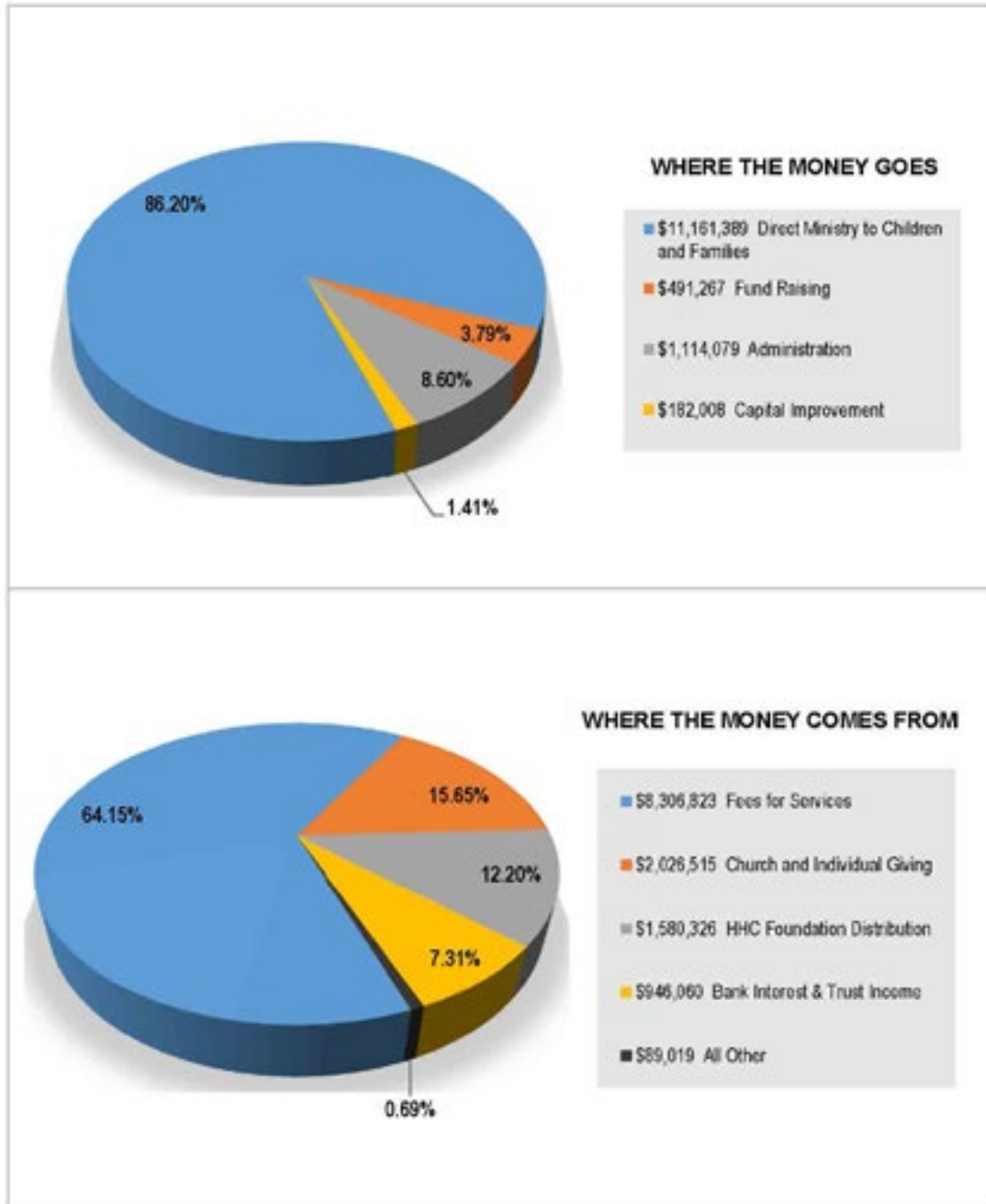
“Holston is the only place that has been able to help my child.” *Ke’niya’s Mother*

“The most helpful thing about Holston Home’s services was everyone and everything has been amazing. Our staff, Kendra, helped keep me informed when I was confused. I feel lucky she was there.” *Shaelynn’s Mother*

“The most helpful thing about Holston Home’s services was fostering responsibility and respect in our grandson.” *Justin’s Grandmother*

“The most helpful and important aspect about Holston’s services is that every staff member genuinely loved and was concerned for our son’s growth and development.” *Luke’s Father*

Financial Report 2024-25



SPECIAL GIFTS AND BEQUESTS

From time to time we receive special gifts and bequests for the benefit of Holston Home. These special gifts and bequests are not part of or reported in the operating budget as they are received directly into the Endowment fund. The purpose of the Endowment is to provide funding, in perpetuity, to the Home to ensure the continuance of its mission.

Our Services

In 2024–25, our services touched the lives of 469 children in Tennessee & Virginia.
The services that Holston Home provided are identified below.

CHRISTIAN LIFE is the foundation of all our services. Last year, 57 of our youth made first-time professions of faith and 54 were baptized.

BRUMIT CENTER provided preparation for adult living services to 18 youth who were aging out of the foster care system and facing the challenges of adulthood.

RESIDENTIAL CARE provided nurture, care, education and treatment for 131 adolescent boys and girls. These centers provide the most intensive services in our continuum of care for youth who may have been abused, may have emotional or behavioral problems, or find themselves struggling with negative influences in their community.

HOME-TO-STAY PROGRAM, provided up to four months of family counseling services to successfully reunite 15 children and youth with their families.

RIVER ACADEMY, our accredited on-campus school, served 4 special education day students from area school systems and provided education for 195 of the youth in our residential and Brumit programs. During 2024–25, 16 youth earned high school diplomas.

FOSTER HOMES provided loving care in a family setting for 93 children and youth. Of

these, 36 children were served through our Family Service Center in Tennessee and 57 children were cared for through our center in Southwest Virginia. Another 6 of our foster children were adopted by their foster families.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTERS served 193 preschool children and infants. Both of our centers received the highest rating of Three-Stars by state licensing entities.

HOPE & THRIVE ACADEMY provides educational opportunities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and served 29 students in life skills, computer literacy, job skills, money math and personal finance.

RECOVERING HEARTS helped 55 women who struggled with addiction. We saw 8 mothers receive ongoing visitation with their children along with 7 first-time professions of faith and 7 baptisms.

“TASTE AND SEE” FOOD TRUCK ministers to at-risk communities by creating meaningful relationships that allow us to share the gospel while meeting tangible food insecurity needs. Last year, 2,112 children and 1,553 adults were reached.



Residential Care



Hope & Thrive Academy



Recovering Hearts



“Taste and See” Food Truck

Each of these youth were encouraged to grow as individuals through WORSHIP, EDUCATION, WORK, and RECREATION. These are our Four Cornerstones of Care for all of our services.



Our Licensing and Accreditations

Holston Home operates under the following licenses in Tennessee and Virginia:

- Tennessee Department of Children's Services (Child-Placing and Child-Caring Agency)
- Tennessee Department of Human Services (Child Day Care)
- Tennessee Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (Outpatient Mental Health Services and Day Treatment)
- Tennessee Department of Education (Private School; General and Special Education)
- Virginia Department of Social Services (Child-Placing Agency)

These accreditations demonstrate our commitment to best-practice professional standards:

- National Council on Accreditation of Services for Children & Families (COA)
- Tennessee Alliance for Children and Families
- Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA)
- GuideStar's distinction for Transparency
- Charity Navigator's 100%
- The State's highest 3-Stars Daycare



*And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him,
who have been called according to his purpose.*

Romans 8:28 (NIV)