

# News from Home

Hendrick Home For Children Newsletter

## ABILENE GIVES 2024



**Mark your calendars! May 7 from 8 am - 8 pm** is Abilene Gives. Abilene Gives is a day of giving to make a significant impact for nonprofit organizations serving our community. The Community Foundation of Abilene is honored to host this annual giving day for the eighth consecutive year.

Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000 to meet our growing program needs. In 2023, we added 5 automated external defibrillators (AED) on our campus, a youth trip to the Texas Rangers game (2023 World Series Champs), and equipment for our recreational therapeutic programs.

Our theme this year is **“Saddle Up For Kids.”** We have a unique therapeutic program with the use of horses. All the youth in our three programs – Basic Care, After Care and Family Care – participate in the EAGALA (Equine-Assisted Growth and Learning Association) model of Equine Assisted Psychotherapy. From exercises in free observation to partnering directly with horses to accomplish prescribed tasks, the EAGALA model allows clients an opportunity to reimagine problems and find solutions leading to a more fulfilling life. Funds raised through Abilene Gives will be used for this programs as well as other activities we do for and with our youth and families.

Abilene Gives portal will launch on April 29, 2024. Here is how you can support our children and families:

- Visit the [AbileneGives.org](https://www.abilenegives.org) website between April 29 - May 7 to make your secured online gift.

<https://www.abilenegives.org/organizations/hendrick-home-for-children>

- Share the link on your social media platforms or email it to your friends.
- If you would prefer to mail a check, mail prior to May 1, 2024, to ensure we count it for Abilene Gives.



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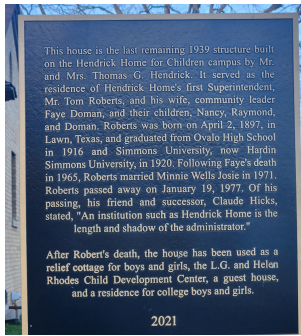


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# REMODELING THE PAST FOR THE FUTURE



Roberts' Marker

One of the first homes built on the Hendrick Home campus was designed for the superintendent and his family. Mr. Tom Roberts and his wife, Faye, raised three children in this home. Mr. Roberts served Hendrick Home from 1939 - 1973. This past year with the help of special donors, the home which is the last original building on the campus, was remodeled. It now features new plumbing, electrical, flooring, cabinetry and windows. The house will be used for a single-parent family.



Roberts' Home

## 85TH ANNIVERSARY AND REUNION

The 85th anniversary of Hendrick Home is in June 2024. In recognition of this remarkable anniversary, a special celebration is planned for June 21 on the campus from 9 am to 12 pm. The event will include the reunion of past residents of Hendrick Home. Opening ceremonies will begin at 9 am, followed by tours of the campus, and a large outdoor picnic. Attendees will get the opportunity to see the grounds and some of the buildings. If you would like to join us on June 21, be sure to RSVP by June 17: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HHC85Anniversary>. If you are traveling from out of town, hotels can be located at: <https://reservations.arestravel.com/hotel/list/9013>.



## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



Robert Marshall, President/CEO

I can not express enough gratitude for the individuals, organizations and foundations that have contributed to Hendrick Home not only in the past year, but also the 85 years of existence. With you as donors, we are able to maintain and upgrade the living spaces for our children and families. You are giving our residents the ability to experience therapeutic recreational activities, maintain a healthy lifestyle, and live in a loving and safe community. I encourage you to consider giving on May 7 during Abilene Gives. It is a time that we can bring more awareness about what our large campus offers to children and families. We continue to grow and learn just as our residents do because we strive to be the best residential living community that not only receives but gives to the larger community.