

Residential Services

Licensed Group and Foster Homes



The Marsh Foundation offers on-campus group homes for males and females ages 7 - 17. Specialized programs provide services for male juvenile sex offenders as well as independent living aged males. The juvenile sex offender treatment program at The Marsh was one of the first programs in the state to be certified by Ohio's Department of Youth Services.

In addition to group homes, The Marsh Foundation maintains a strong network of foster homes, including on-campus options. This is part of The Marsh continuum of care, allowing youth to step down into a family setting after finishing treatment in the group home.

Clinical Services

The Marsh Foundation offers an array of clinical services to clients. Services may include individual counseling, group counseling, joint sessions with family, community support programs and/or home-based services. Counselors and residential staff receive training in trauma informed care.



On-Campus School



The Marsh School offers its services to those living in group homes, in foster homes and special needs students from the community. The school is a chartered member of the Lincolnview Local school system. Academic teachers are assisted in the classroom by school family teachers who provide behavioral treatment in the classroom setting. They also

provide a treatment bridge between the school and group homes, by monitoring and correcting behaviors and assisting with general academic functions.

Business and Financials

The remarkable financial legacy of George and Hilinda Marsh remains a thriving foundation, licensed by the Ohio Secretary of State as a non-profit corporation. The last will and testament of George H. Marsh directed a board of three trustees to oversee the foundation designed initially for orphan children of Van Wert County and northwestern Ohio.

Approximately 60 percent of The Marsh's annual expenses is reimbursed from Title IV-E, Medicaid and county cluster payments. The other 40 percent is paid from the income generated from the assets of The Marsh Foundation.

The original restricted investment has retained its value measured by today's inflation rate, first, through investing in mutual funds and second by contracting with local farmers to grow and sell corn, beans, wheat and popcorn on 3,000+ acres of The Marsh Foundation farm properties.

The Marsh Foundation also welcomes donations. Past donations have been earmarked for furniture purchases, special trips and to assist in the renovation of group homes.

Our Mission

The mission of The Marsh Foundation is to inspire hope, to teach and to care for children and families. You can learn more about The Marsh and our mission by visiting www.marshfoundation.org, or by calling 419.238.1695.



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History of The Marsh Foundation

The Marsh Foundation was established by a Van Wert family and has a long successful history reaching back to 1922. George and Hilinda Marsh and their daughter Katie, gave most of their substantial estate for the purpose of helping children and families. According to legend, George and Hilinda were traveling through Van Wert on a frosty winter night on their way home from the theater in Fort Wayne, Ind. when they noticed two small boys huddled together in a dark deserted doorway. Moved with compassion, Hilinda said, "There George, we could use our money when we need it no longer, to establish a home for little fellows such as those."



The Marsh endowment, contributed more than 90 years ago, has provided resources for building a stately campus, assembling dedicated professionals, underwriting a successful orphanage for many decades and now for expanding services to meet the changing needs of children and families.

"I believe on a whole The Marsh and staff are doing a good job. The children are fortunate to be here!"

"I appreciate all that The Marsh Foundation has done to help my son and my family. Thank you."

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Services Provided by The Marsh Foundation

- On-campus group homes for males and females ages 7 - 17.
- A specialized residential program for male juvenile sex offenders.
- A specialized group home for males in need of independent living services.
- A strong network of foster homes and the ability to dually license homes for adoption if they so desire.
- Clinical services, including individual counseling, group counseling, joint sessions with family, community support programs and/or home-based services.
- On-campus school for youth in care.
- Full-time activities program for youth.