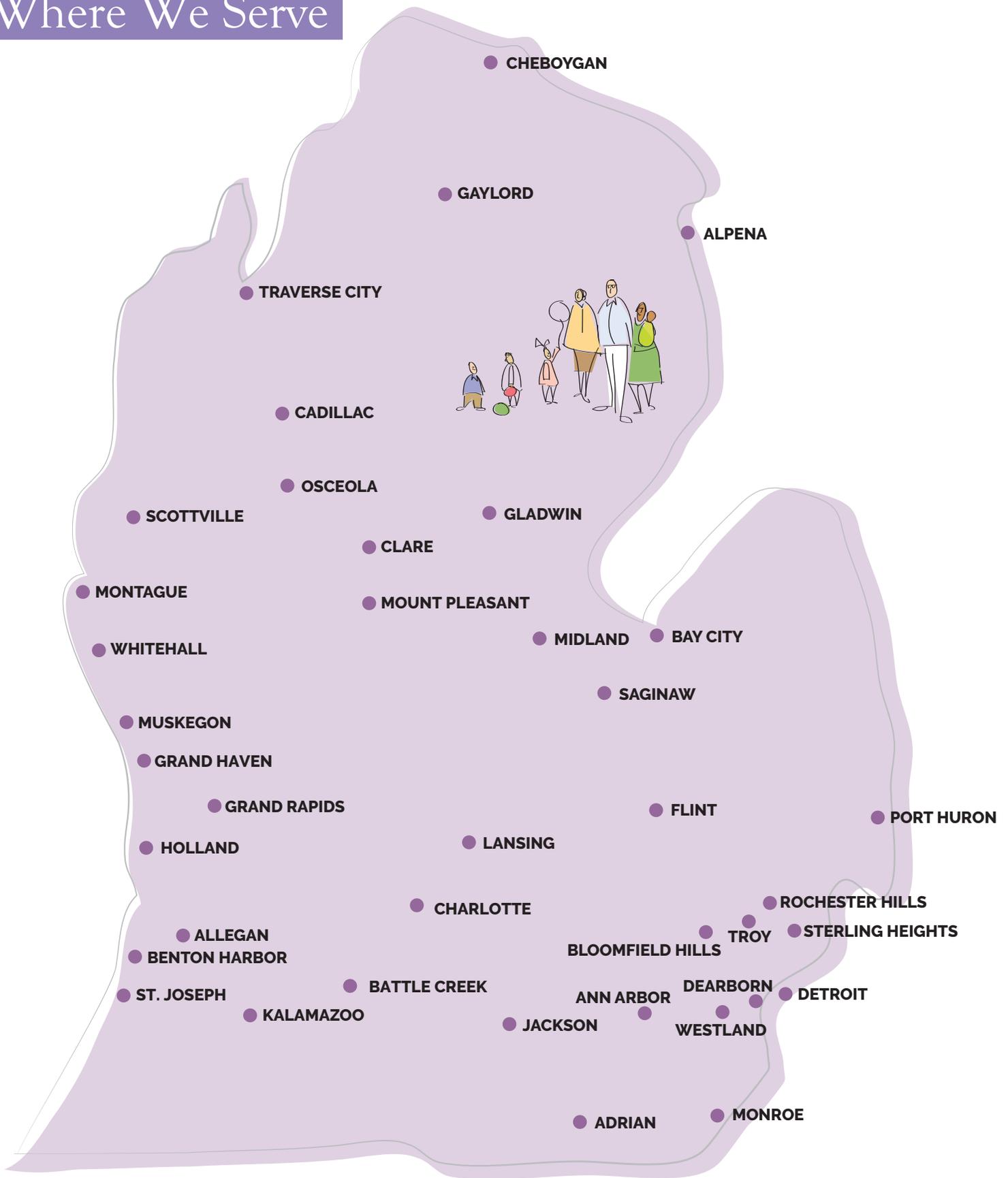


Where We Serve



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Samaritas Facilities in Michigan

ADRIAN

- Affordable Living of Adrian *(for Seniors)*

ALLEGAN

- Grand Ravine Senior Housing *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*
- Family Preservation

ALPENA

- Affordable Living of Alpena

ANN ARBOR

- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Affordable Living at Sequoia Place
- Behavioral Health
- Foster Care

BATTLE CREEK

- Families Preservation
- Home-Based Services *(for Children)*
- New Americans
- Behavioral Health

BAY CITY

- Adoption *(Through LAS)*

BENTON HARBOR

- Behavioral Health

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

- Senior Living *(Independent Living/Assisted Living)*

CADILLAC

- Senior Living *(Skilled Care/Rehabilitation/Memory Care)*

CHARLOTTE

- Family Preservation
- Independent Living Plus
- Substance Use Disorder

CHEBOYGAN

- Affordable Living at Grebe Village *(for Seniors)*

CLARE

- Adoption *(Through LAS)*

DEARBORN

- New Americans

DETROIT

- Central Administrative Offices
- Foster Care
- Samaritas House Heartline *(Residential Re-entry Center for Women)*
- Michigan Education & Training Voucher Program
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Independent Living Plus
- Affordable Living at Gateshead Crossing *(for Seniors)*
- Family Preservation

FLINT

- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Behavioral Health
- Independent Living Plus
- Family Preservation

GLADWIN

- Home of Gladwin *(Persons with Disabilities)*

GRAND HAVEN

- Substance Use Disorder

GRAND RAPIDS

- Allen Manor *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*
- Senior Living
 - Independent Living/Assisted Living
 - Skilled Care
 - Rehabilitation
 - Memory Care
- Behavioral Health
- Family Preservation
- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- New Americans
- Substance Use Disorder
- West Michigan Campus *(Affordable Living for Seniors & Child and Family services)*

GAYLORD

- Adoption *(Through LAS)*

HOLLAND

- Family Preservation
- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Substance Use Disorder

JACKSON

- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Michigan Education & Training Voucher Program
- Behavioral Health
- Family Preservation

KALAMAZOO

- Family Preservation
- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- Behavioral Health

LANSING

- Alison House *(Affordable Living for Adults with Disabilities)*
- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- New Americans
- Family Preservation
- Behavioral Health
- Refugee Foster Care
- Independent Living Plus

MIDLAND

- Home of Midland, Wackerly Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Home of Midland, Lambros Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*

MONROE

- Affordable Living of Monroe *(For Families)*
- Home of Monroe, Ninth Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Support Services *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Home of Monroe, Monroe Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*

MONTAGUE

- SHAWL II *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*

MOUNT PLEASANT

- Immanuel Village *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*

MUSKEGON

- Affordable Living of Muskegon *(for Seniors 'Coming Soon')*
- Home of Muskegon, Brooks Road *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Christian Manor *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*
- Home of Muskegon, Ducey Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Home of Muskegon, Mararebecah Lane *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- West Region Office *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Family Preservation
- Foster Care

NORTH MUSKEGON

- Home of Muskegon, Hansen Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*
- Home of Muskegon, Horton Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*

PORT HURON

- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*

ROCHESTER HILLS

- Affordable Living of Rochester Hills *(for Seniors)*

SAGINAW

- Foster Care
- Senior Living *(Skilled Care/Rehabilitation)*
- Support Services *(Persons with Disabilities)*

ST. JOSEPH

- Family Preservation

SCOTTVILLE

- Home of Scottville, Main Street *(Persons with Disabilities)*

STERLING HEIGHTS

- New Americans

TRAVERSE CITY

- Senior Living *(Independent Living/ Assisted Living)*
- Support Services *(Persons with Disabilities)*

TROY

- Foster Care
- Adoption *(Through LAS)*
- New Americans
- Behavioral Health
- Substance Use Disorder

WESTLAND

- Samaritas Family Center *(Emergency Shelter for Homeless Families)*

WHITEHALL

- SHAWL I *(Affordable Living for Seniors)*



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SERVING MICHIGAN



Samaritas has 5 major service areas: West, Central, Bay, Metro Detroit, and Northern. Headquartered in Detroit, we serve nearly 20,000 people a year across Michigan with a total budget of \$100 million dollars.

Samaritas is recognized as an innovator in foster care. As the state's **largest private provider** of foster care and adoption services, we continue to positively influence the state in terms of policy and program design. Keeping families together also plays an integral role in our mission. **Family Preservation** services are designed to keep children out of foster care by working intensively with families who need additional support.



Our New Americans Refugee Resettlement and Employment program, **one of the largest** in Michigan, works with refugees and their children on an ongoing basis. Last year alone, we served 2,520 refugees from countries like Congo, Ethiopia, Bhutan, Burma, Iraq, Afghanistan and Syria. 92% of refugees are self-sufficient within 6 months.

We provide Substance Use Disorder services to those who struggle with the impact of drugs and alcohol. Our SUD treatment model includes: **individual and group counseling, medication assisted treatment, case management and recovery coaching** for adolescents and adults. We are, now more than ever, committed to combating this public health crisis.



- 16 Affordable Living Communities for Seniors, Families and Adults with Physical Disabilities
- 3 Skilled Nursing / Rehabilitation Centers
- 3 Assisted Living Centers
- 3 Senior Independent Living Communities



- 12 Foster Care Offices
- 14 Adoption Offices
- 7 New Americans Offices
- 3 SUD Offices
- 1 Refugee Foster Care Office



- 12 Group Homes for Persons with Developmental Disabilities
- 1 Shelter for Homeless Families
- 1 Residential Transitional Housing for Women

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Nancy's Story

Lutheran
Adoption
Service

My husband and I always wanted a family. We decided to adopt from foster care after weighing all our options from domestic adoption to IVF treatments. When we attended an orientation at Lutheran Adoption Service (LAS) to see what foster care adoption was about, LAS made us feel very comfortable so we decided to proceed with LAS. From orientation to being approved for our adoption it only took a few months. LAS really made the process easy for us, helped answer questions and concerns we had about any paperwork, and the entire process went pretty smoothly.

LAS matched us with siblings after only a couple weeks of our home study approval. From the time we were matched with our kids to the time of the adoption finalization it was less than a year. We really can't say enough good things about LAS. They know what they're doing, and everyone helped the process go smoothly from licensing to the adoption finalization. It was an incredible process and we couldn't be happier.



Lutheran Adoption Service
every child deserves a loving family



"Our worker was very open with us and always gave us info as soon as she had it. She answered all of our questions very quickly. Our worker was so great to work with." - Stacy M.

*"The overall experience was well respected between both parties."
- Roger G.*

*"Timely updates on our case. Questions were answered promptly. Our worker was phenomenal!"
- Darcey L.*

Contact Information

Are you interested in adoption?
If so, please contact us at
contactlas@lasadoption.org
or call (833) 761 - 0667.



Lutheran Adoption Service
every child deserves a loving family



What is Lutheran **Adoption** Service?

Lutheran Adoption Service (LAS) is a jointly owned subsidiary corporation of **Samaritas** and **Wellspring Lutheran Services**. In 1977, the agencies agreed to join forces in order to provide more loving, forever homes for children in foster care who needed permanent placement. Since its partnership inception, LAS has found homes for thousands of Michigan foster care youth.

Lutheran Adoption Service specializes in the placement of children from the State's foster care system. Many children in foster care need permanent adoptive homes. There is little or no cost involved in adopting a child from the foster care system.

LAS Facts

- LAS completes over 300 on average annually.
- In any given year we work with approximately 400 children, and around 75 of these children are unmatched meaning they do not have an identified adoptive family.
- We have 8 offices statewide, and are the largest private adoption agency in Michigan.
- We serve children in the foster care system who are unable to return to their birth homes.
- We do **NOT** have an infant adoption program, **OR** an international adoption program.
- We do provide post adoption services.

LAS is committed to...



- C**ompassion
- H**ope
- I**ntegrity
- L**eadership
- D**edication
- R**espect
- E**mpowerment
- N**urturing

Did You Know?

Each Year in Michigan:

- Approximately **145,500** complaints are investigated by Child Protective Services
- **11,000** children are in foster care
- **2,000** children are waiting for their forever homes
- **250** children have no identified adoptive family
- **800** children age-out of the foster care system

Adoption Process

The first step in the adoption process is to attend an **Adoption Orientation**. Then, once a family is assessed for adoption, potential matches can be explored. Your adoption specialist will regularly review your family assessment with the recruitment team to see if there is a possible match. Because matching children with the right family is a complicated process, the length of time it will take for a child to be placed cannot be accurately predicted. Some families receive placement quickly and others may wait years for the right match. Once you have a completed and approved Family Assessment, you may also begin to inquire about children photolisted on the MARE (Michigan Adoption Resource Exchange) website at www.mare.org.



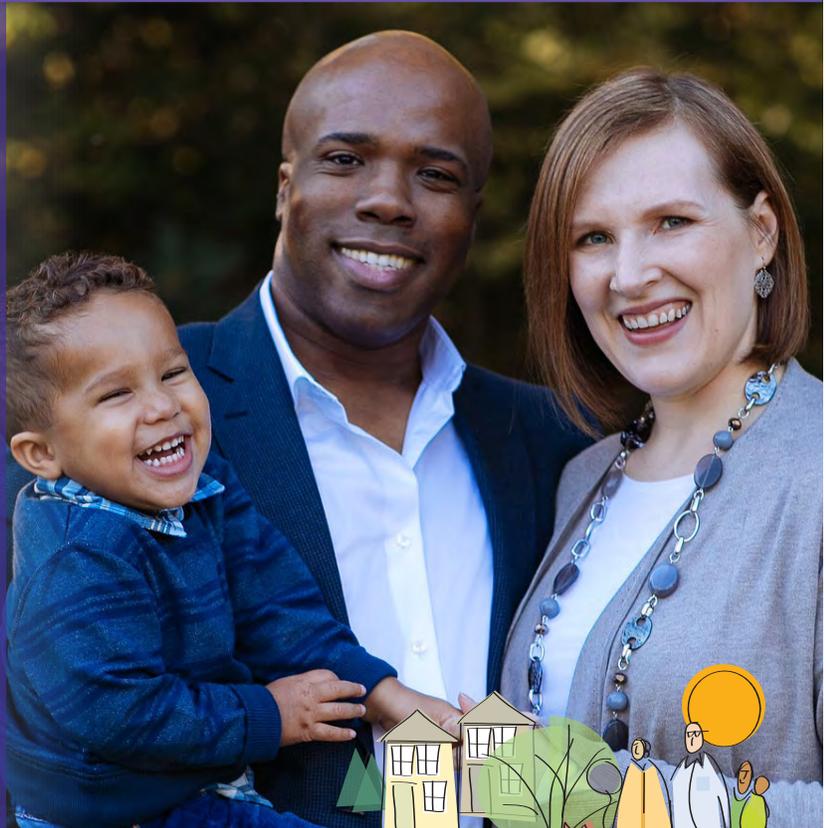


FOSTER CARE

CHILDREN IN CRISIS

Every child deserves to feel safe, secure and loved, but for many, that can't be found at home. That's why there are approximately 12,000 kids in foster care at any given moment in Michigan. In addition to parental substance abuse, some of these children are victims of abuse or neglect; others have been completely abandoned by their birth families.

Samaritas serves nearly 1,500 of these kids each year, referred to us by Children's Protective Services (CPS). Out of every 10 kids the state asks us to find a safe foster home for, we can only place three. We need more resources and we need more foster homes.



MICHIGAN NEEDS YOUR HELP... AND SO DO WE!

By becoming a foster parent, you can provide a safe, stable environment for a child, reduce the risk of further harm and promote family reunification. You can give children the love and attention they deserve when they are away from their birth parents. Children in foster care range from newborns to age 18. They come from many racial, religious and socio-economic backgrounds. Some have never had a stable home. Some but not all children may have emotional, behavioral and medical problems, including aggressiveness, defiance, lack of motivation, anger and depression.

72 percent of children in our foster care are reunited with their birth parent/guardian within 12 months.

Of those children who cannot return to their birth families, **76 percent** find their adoptive "forever families" within 24 months.

IT'S NOT AN EASY JOB, BUT IT'S AN INCREDIBLY REWARDING ONE

Foster families provide 24-hour care to children and help to support family reunification by providing transportation to or hosting sibling visits. They also provide food, shelter, clothing and emotional support for the child and make sure they have the educational and social opportunities needed to be happy and healthy. Samaritas staff provides support and family courts review the birth families' progress regularly.

Samaritas™ FOSTER CARE



Every child deserves a chance to grow up in a thriving and healthy family -

YOU can help make that happen!

WHERE WE *Serve*



ANN ARBOR
DETROIT
FLINT
GRAND RAPIDS
HOLLAND
JACKSON

KALAMAZOO
LANSING
MUSKEGON
PORT HURON
SAGINAW
TROY

“I am so lucky to have met my forever family. For the first time, I am excited to come home from school and I feel very confident about my future.”

- Robert, Samaritas Former Foster Youth

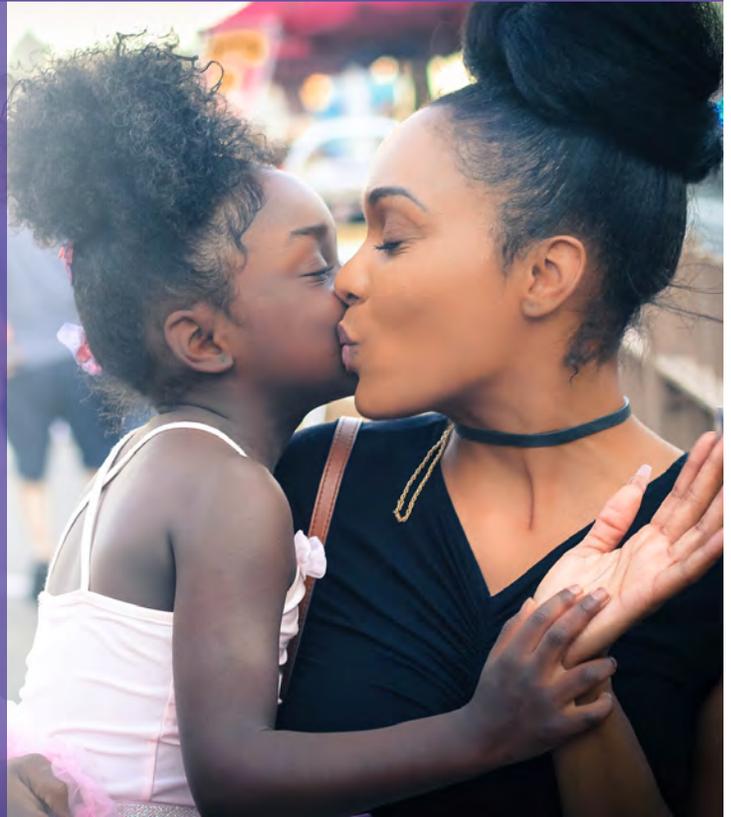
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THERE ARE CURRENTLY OVER 400,000 YOUTH WHO ARE IN FOSTER CARE IN THE US.

Thousands of Michigan families are currently experiencing crisis — many of which lead to issues that require involvement from Children’s Protective Services (CPS) — like inadequate housing, parenting skills, substance abuse, domestic violence, incarceration or other concerns that jeopardize safety. In these situations, CPS often warns that children could be placed in foster care as a next step, leading the family to a crossroads. Samaritas can step in to address these problems to prevent foster care from happening in the first place.



CARE IN ACTION

Focused on the unique strengths of each family, Samaritas guides them toward keeping children safe in their own homes or preserving families without the need for CPS involvement. **Some of these Family Preservation Programs include:**

Families First of Michigan (FFM) helps children who are at risk for out-of-home placement. Their services are focused on making community connections, increasing natural supports, budgeting, skill-building and education. FFM caseworkers assist families within their home to meet specific goals to reduce risks to the children. FFM is a voluntary program that provides intense services to quickly stabilize and preserve the family. **90 percent of children remain safely at home 12 months of program completion.**

Families Together Building Solutions is an intensive, short-term, home-based intervention that empowers the family to utilize their own resilience to become self-sufficient and resolve problems. Staff members work with the families to assess and identify their strengths, and help them develop goals for improved functioning. Preventative in nature, the program works with families to determine solutions so they can remain safely together. **91 percent of children remain at home or with a relative during the program.**

The Family Reunification Program (FRP) is designed to successfully reunite children in foster care with their families and prevent repeated placements. It includes four months of intensive, home-based services like therapy, training and support. **86 percent of those children remained safely at home with no further out-of-home placements 12 months after reunification.**

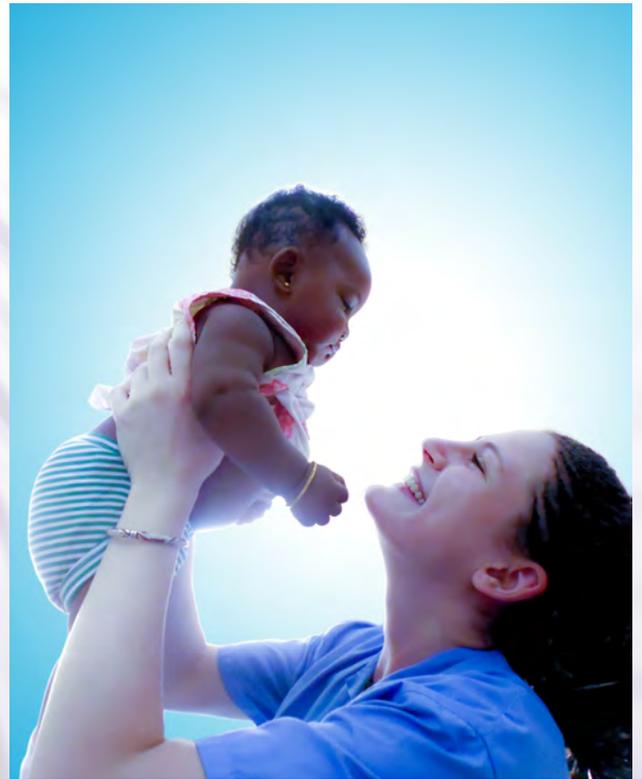
HOMEBUILDERS® is an evidence-based program designed to strengthen families to prevent unnecessary out-of-home placement or return children from foster care, group care, psychiatric hospitals, or correctional institutions. Families served by this intensive, in-home, family therapy model have children in imminent danger of placement, or have children in placement who cannot be reunified without intensive services.

UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

As Michigan's largest private adoption and foster care organization, Samaritas has more than 20 years experience providing family preservation services. We aim to prevent the need for foster care placements through our Family Preservation Programs.

In the event of children being placed in foster care, Samaritas ensures they're safe and cared for by placing them with loving foster families until they can be reunited with their birth family. Then through reunification services, we follow them home to prevent the family from again falling apart.

Together we can reduce the number of children exposed to the trauma of being removed from their families.



WHERE WE *Serve*



ALLEGAN
BATTLE CREEK
CHARLOTTE
DETROIT
FLINT
GRAND RAPIDS

HOLLAND
JACKSON
KALAMAZOO
LANSING
MUSKEGON
ST. JOSEPH

“FRP helped us obtain needed services, taught us new ways to communicate and manage our children’s behavior, helped me feel better about myself, listened to me and helped me get additional mental health treatment services.

They also helped me listen and understand how the children were acting and why.” - Samaritas Parent

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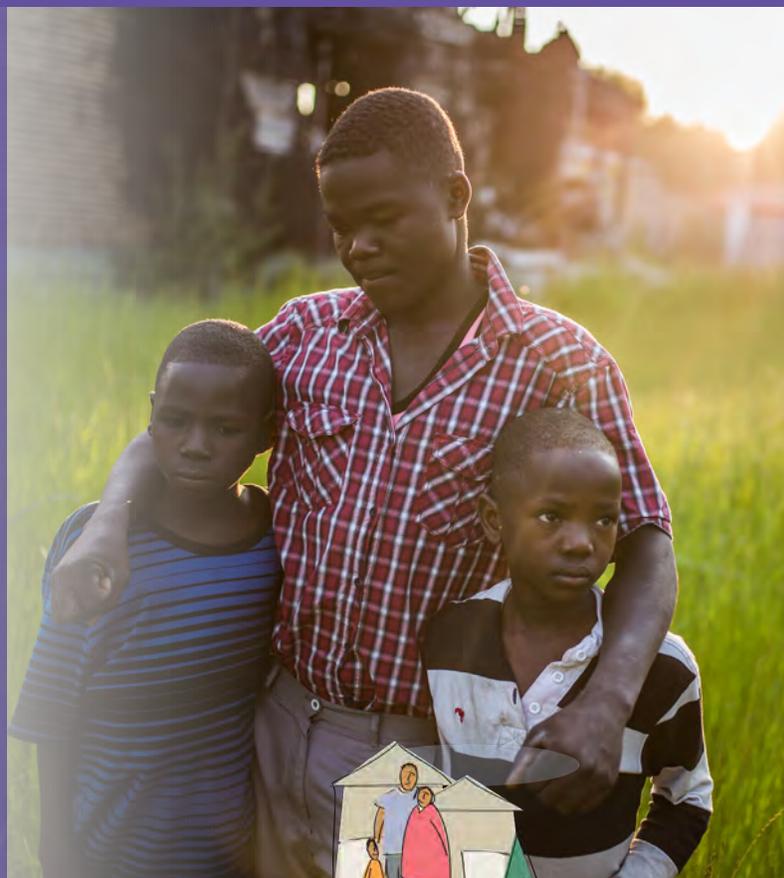


NEW AMERICANS

75% OF THE REFUGEES SAMARITAS HELPS TO RESETTLE ARE SELF-SUFFICIENT WITHIN 180 DAYS OF ARRIVAL

Imagine what it would be like to be forced to flee your home country and arrive in a new place, finding a new place to live, enrolling your children in school and securing employment while learning a completely new language and culture.

Samaritas works closely with volunteers, social service providers, employers and communities to help refugees overcome the many challenges they face.



SEARCHING FOR SAFETY

More than 25.4 million refugees around the world are fleeing war, terrorism, religious persecution, and other forms of danger. These are people of all ages being forced from their own countries by war or political unrest. Many are families with young children who will spend years in refugee camps before they are granted permission to enter the United States. They arrive with little more than the clothes on their backs.

Refugees come here seeking protection and a chance to build a new life. They are eager to learn, work and become productive contributors to society. As they become settled, they build businesses, create jobs, revitalize neighborhoods, fuel the economy and strengthen the tax base, ultimately enriching their communities. Refugees want to become self-sufficient and to give back to their communities. Samaritas helps make a new life possible with our New American services program.

Following a forty-year U.S. history with an average of above 90,000 refugee applications accepted annually, 2020 is on track to be a record low year with no more than 18,000 accepted nation-wide. We will continue to welcome all those displaced by terror and persecution in their homes of origin. Welcoming the stranger is something we believe our Mission calls us to do, and we ask you to stand with us to help make our New Americans feel welcome and valued in their new home.

"I'm proud that I have employees that came here as refugees because when other refugees hear their stories of success, it's going to give them more confidence. They're going to say We are in the right place. We can do this too. And this is happening through you guys, so I thank you for that."

~ Albert Yousif - A2Z Facilities and Maintenance CEO and refugee from Iraq

MAKING AN IMPACT

In FY 2020, under 18,000 refugees were resettled in the United States, a record low under a refugee ceiling of 30,000. Refugees admitted were mostly Christian (79 percent) while Muslims accounted for 16 percent. The top five countries of origin were: Congo (DRC and ROC combined), Myanmar (Burma), Ukraine, Eritrea, and Afghanistan. Both FY 2019 and FY 2020 ceiling determinations (30,000 and 18,000 respectively) are the lowest ceilings since Congress passed the Refugee Act of 1980. The positive economic impact of immigrants and refugees in Michigan is vast. Samaritas provides each refugee with the support to obtain self-sufficiency and become contributors to society within one year of arrival. This includes:

-  Provide furnished housing & financial assistance
-  Aid families in obtaining medical care
-  Help parents enroll their children in school
-  Assist adults in applying for social security cards and other critical documents
-  Learn English
-  Acquire skills for living and working in the U.S.
-  Obtain transportation
-  Utilize job placement resources
-  Integrate culturally and socially into their new community

WHERE WE *Serve*



CALHOUN
GENESEE
KALAMAZOO
KENT

INGHAM
MACOMB
OAKLAND
WAYNE

“Now, I am a new person. I am free and the fear of tomorrow is gone. I am a full-time employee at the same Chicken Shack restaurant where Samaritas placed me. I bring a paycheck home and can support myself and my children, pay rent and buy the things we need. My children are flourishing too. I continue to learn English and to take care of my family, and myself knowing that for us there is only one way to go: forward.”

- *Benedicte, Samaritas New American*

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Mission:

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Vision:

We connect people with families and communities, empower them to live their fullest life possible and create a ripple effect of transformation.

Positioning Statement:

More than safe harbor in crisis, we come through when others don't with a path home. We connect all people, based on their individual circumstances, with the families and communities that will empower them to live their fullest life possible. Potential fulfilled, those we serve in turn promote the dignity of others, launching into the community an unending ripple effect of transformation.



Values:

- People First
- Quality Service
- Stewardship
- Innovation
- Communication



Value Proposition:

We connect individuals to the home, family and community supports that meet their relational, emotional, physical, and spiritual needs wherever they might fall on the continuum of care. Through permanence, we deliver a sense of love, belonging, health and well-being that empowers those we serve with a feeling of personal control, confidence and worthiness to live their fullest life. When those we serve reach their full potential, they in turn promote the dignity of others, creating a ripple effect out into the community that achieves the greatest transformation for all. Transforming entire communities one life at a time, Samaritas has been sending ripples of positive change across Michigan since 1934.

Guiding Principles:

- We work as one team.
- We support and trust each other.
- We celebrate differences and respect others' opinions.
- We find individualized solutions.
- We act with integrity and transparency.
- We don't cut corners.
- We go above and beyond.
- We strive for maximum efficiency.
- We optimize resources.
- We seek opportunities.
- We welcome new ideas.
- We challenge the status quo.
- We lead change.
- We listen.
- We encourage open, honest dialogue.
- We educate.

To read the Samaritas publication, Our Hands, click the link - <https://online.flipbuilder.com/vulb/uoyv/>



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GIVING**

CELEBRATING
**ADOPTION
AWARENESS
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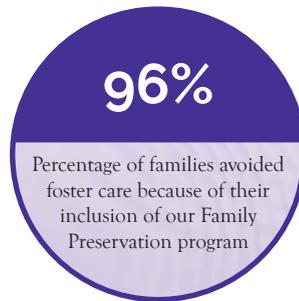
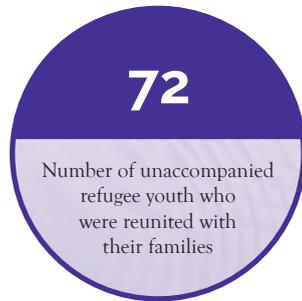
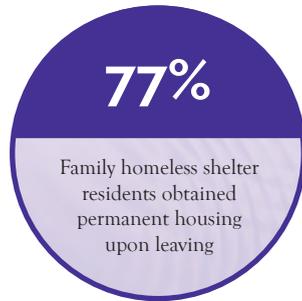
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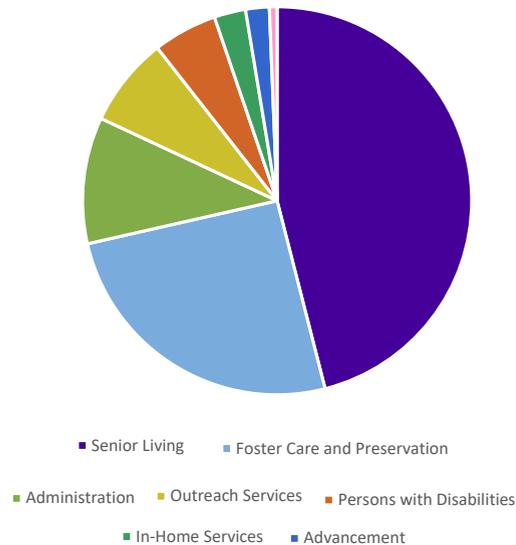
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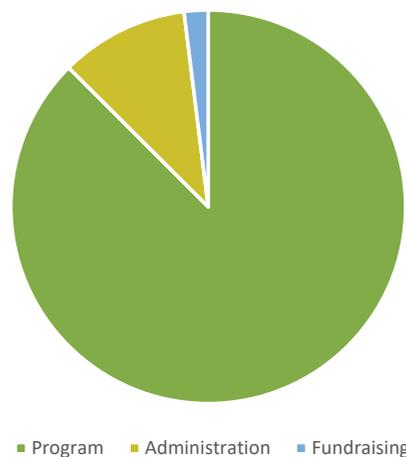
SAMARITAS *by the numbers*



Organization Expense by Service Area



Revenue by Funding Source



Samaritas™

2020
IMPACT REPORT





SENIOR LIVING

1,110
PERSONS SERVED

Samaritas Senior Living of Cadillac and Grand Rapids received **4-Star** status.

Our Senior Living communities hosted a total of **15** vaccine clinics, and provided COVID vaccines for **1,500** staff and residents.

**Some data is from 2021*



FAMILY CENTER

77% of families obtained permanent housing prior to leaving the Family Center.

84% of persons served maintained or increase their total income.

272
PERSONS SERVED

241 PERSONS SERVED

4.9 Average Client Satisfaction (out of a 5.0 point scale).

Favorable evaluation of treatment near the time of discharge had a significant positive relationship with drug use improvement outcomes approximately 1 year later.

SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

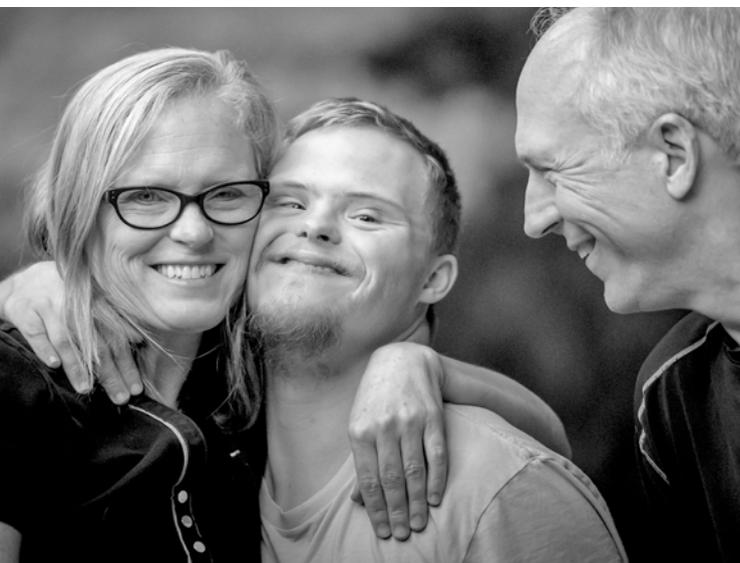


FOSTER CARE & FAMILY PRESERVATION

1,985
PERSONS SERVED

For 5 years in a row...

- **95%** of foster children have had 2 or fewer homes
- Less than **40%** of states are able to achieve the goal of 2 or fewer homes for youth in care. Multiple placements have also been found to lead to delayed permanency outcomes, academic difficulties, and struggles to develop meaningful attachments.



DISABILITY SUPPORT

120,000 hours of Disability Support services completed.

56
PERSONS SERVED



NEW AMERICANS

83% Self-sufficiency rate at 180 days.

165 Refugees resettled.

2,073
PERSONS SERVED