

Providing a safe place for foster children to heal



Artvango - A new therapeutic Center

Artvango's mission and programs are all structured and tailored specifically to rehabilitate children in the foster care system, who have experienced traumatic and unfortunate events that have impacted their social, emotional, and mentally stability. Artvango, is founded on the principles of helping foster children and their families heal through the use of different creative modalities in a safe therapeutic environment. A wide range of expressive forms of therapy is focused on providing therapy that is tailored to each child's age and developmental stage in life.



15.227

Number of children in the Bexar county foster care system in 2017.



TRAUMA

If untreated is masked as ADHD, behavioral issues, anxiety, rebellion.



ADOPTION

Many foster children are not adopted due to being labeled as problematic.



Art Therapy



Play Therapy



Animal Assisted Therapy



Music Therapy



Drama Therapy

The sacred space allows for the therapeutic experience of doing, making, and creating to energize the child, while redirecting the attention and focus and alleviating emotional stress. In return, this allows the child to actively engage on their therapeutic goals and promote health to their mind, body, soul.

Why Artvango?

In 2017, Bexar County had 15,227 children in the foster care system. These children have experienced traumatic experiences that leave an impactful impression on their social, emotional, and mentally stability. For various reasons, the majority of these children are not able to verbally express their traumatic experiences and if their experiences go untreated, these children are often labeled as defiant, ADHD, rebellion, suicidal, anxious, and problematic individuals. They are also at risk of dropping out of school, incarceration and repeating the cycle of abuse and poverty. Many children end up heavily medicated due to their unexpressed trauma. The societal stigma associated with children in foster care identifies an urgent need to empower children and their families with everyday therapeutic tools they can use in the midst of stress, life changes and challenges

SUCCESS LIES WITHIN THE CREATIVITY IN THERAPY

Creativity has the potential to impact children in memorable ways that traditional therapy does not. Expressive therapies, give children the opportunity to become active participants in their own treatment

and empower them to use imagination in productive and corrective ways. Whether through art, play, music, movement, enactment, or creative writing, expressive therapies stimulate the senses, thereby "sensitizing" children to untapped aspects of themselves and thus facilitating self-discovery, change and healing.



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