

Residential Homes



Babies First — Mobile

The Babies First Home provides residential group care for teen mothers and their children. We provide teen mothers who have experienced neglect, abuse and abandonment with stability that leads to growth in emotional, spiritual and social intelligence. We have expanded to include The Parent Education Support Program which provides individualized services to increase the bond between the mother and child, promote growth and development, and prevent abuse and neglect.

The Settlement — Headland

The Settlement provides a caring home environment for teen boys from across Alabama who can no longer live with their biological parents. Our youth care staff members provide healthy and nurturing home environments and meet each teen where he is on the emotional and behavioral spectrum to develop trust and love. Youth are provided support to achieve successful completion of high school or a training program and are encouraged to participate in normal teen experiences through athletics and other community and worship activities.

Mary Ellen's Hearth — Montgomery

We help mothers and their children experiencing homelessness transition to an independent and safe environment where they are able to live successful, purpose-filled lives. By providing housing and resources (financial literacy, parenting, cooking and nutrition, etc.), we empower them to overcome adversity and find healing through positive experiences.

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- *The Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for providing funding in part for The Parent Education Support Program at Babies First and The Embrace Family Support and Education Program.*
- *The Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education for providing funding for the Parents as Teachers program in Covington County.*

Transitional and Independent Living — Headland and Tuscaloosa

This program provides an apartment setting for youth leaving a foster care or residential setting who may not have fully developed the living skills necessary to flourish on their own. The program provides an opportunity for youth to gain independent living skills without yet carrying the full weight of independence.

Higher Education — Florence and Tuscaloosa

The goal of our Higher Education Homes is to cultivate academic, spiritual and social development in the individuals living in the homes. We provide students who were in foster care or alternative living situations with stable, loving environments where they can receive the resources and assistance they need to grow into successful young adults. Our staff members play an integral role in the lives of students as they mature into adulthood and pursue college degrees.

- **Florence Area:** University of North Alabama, Northwest Shoals Community College
- **Tuscaloosa Area:** The University of Alabama, Shelton State Community College, Stillman College

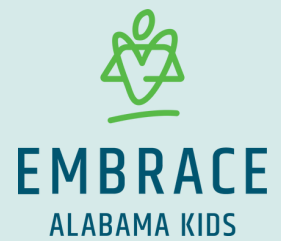


OUR MISSION

In response to God's Word, we embrace and nurture vulnerable children and families by providing homes, healing and hope.

For more information about these programs or how to support, please reach out to Rebecca Morris. Email rebecca.morris@letsembracekids.org or visit embracealkids.org.

Community Ministries



Foster Care — Andalusia, Dothan and Tuscaloosa

Embrace Alabama Kids works to keep biological families together. When that is not possible our foster care teams work with caring foster families who open their hearts and homes to kids in need. Our team recruits, trains and supports foster families to provide a range of foster homes:

- Traditional Foster Care for neglected and abused children
- Therapeutic Foster Care serving children and youth who exhibit special needs, including medical complications, social maladjustment, and emotional and/or behavioral issues
- Foster Care with Enhanced Services for medically complex children or children with other specialized needs
- Enhanced Sibling Group Foster Care for large sibling groups in the same foster home

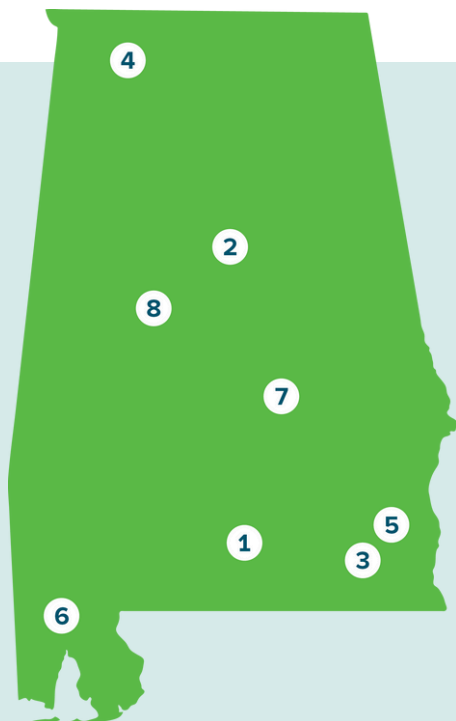
Family Preservation — Andalusia, Dothan and Tuscaloosa

This intensive in-home service provides support and intervention to families either at risk of having their children removed from the home or in the process of reunification with their children who have been in foster care to ensure a safe transition for the whole family. The goal is to equip the families with the skills necessary to handle challenges in a healthy way and provide safe, loving homes. Our staff members collaborate with the family at risk and the Department of Human Resources to develop a family-specific intervention plan.

School Readiness and Parenting Support — Andalusia and Dothan

The Parent Education and Support Programs were developed to meet the needs of parents in order to help them take active roles in their children's learning and prepare them for kindergarten. Our evidence-based school readiness program equips parents with tools and education through home visits, screenings, free books and hands-on activities. In Covington County*, the Parents as Teachers Affiliate is open to families with babies, toddlers and preschoolers.

Our Program Map



1. Andalusia

Family Preservation Program
Foster Care Program
Parents as Teachers Program

2. Birmingham

Embrace External Affairs Office

3. Dothan

Family Preservation Program
Foster Care Program

4. Florence

Higher Education Home

5. Headland

The Settlement
Transitional Living Program

6. Mobile

Babies First
Parenting Education Support Program

7. Montgomery

Embrace Ministries Headquarters
Mary Ellen's Hearth

8. Tuscaloosa

Higher Education Home
Foster Care Program
Independent Living Program
Family Preservation Program

Locations indicate where Embrace Alabama Kids has program offices; however, we serve children and families from across Alabama.

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." – Ephesians 2:10