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Founded in 1947, Easter Seals Greater Houston serves Veterans, Service Members, children and adults with all types of disabilities, as well as their families. Through a staff of over 250+ professionals, Easter Seals serves more than 14,500 families annually in the Greater Houston area.

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Since 1947, Easter Seals of Greater Houston, Inc. has provided offering help, hope, and answers to Veterans, Service Members, children and adults with any type of disability, and the families who love them. The local non-profit is leading the way to 100% equity, inclusion, and access through essential resources and supports for every stage of life. Through therapy, training, education, and support services, Easter Seals Greater Houston creates life-changing solutions so that people with disabilities can live, learn, work, and play in our community.

The most recent data shows that **one in four Americans is living with a long-term condition or other disability**, which means the demand for our services continues to grow. Easter Seals must raise its entire budget every year from government funds, private foundations, corporate partnerships, special events and individual contributors. Easter Seals Greater Houston is extremely efficient with \$.92 of every dollar going to provide direct client services. Support Veterans, Service Members, children and adults with disabilities, and their families at www.eastersealshouston.org.

Partners in Hope

You can help individuals with a disability develop to their fullest physical, cognitive, and social potential. Therapy, research, prevention, a variety of support services, advocacy and education are all hallmarks of Easter Seals' local and national mission.

Through hard work, therapy, support and treatment, many of the individuals we serve reach their goals and are able to improve their quality of life, independence, productivity, and integration into the community. Support enhancing education, advancing health, expanding employment, and elevating the community today!



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ECI/Infant Development

The ECI/Infant Development Program provides comprehensive Early Childhood Intervention Services for children ages birth to 36 months who have a delay in at least one area of development; have a diagnosed medical condition that places them at high risk for delayed development or have behavior that is unusual or is not typical. As needed, this program offers developmental screening and assessment; developmental services; case management; speech/language therapy; physical and occupational therapy; nutrition services; audiological services; parent education; home visits; vision services; assistive technology and translation. **For each dollar spent on early intervention, the government saves \$7 in therapy and other services once a child with a disability reaches school age.**

Learn more about your child's development, visit Easter Seals' Make the First Five Count Campaign at www.makethefirstfivecount.org.

For more information on ECI, please visit <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/disability/early-childhood-intervention-services-eci>. Refer your child for a free evaluation by emailing ecireferrals@eastersealshouston.org.

Children's Therapy Services

The Easter Seals Children's Therapy outpatient rehabilitation facility helps children ages 0-21 learn to walk, talk, feed and play through physical, occupational and speech therapy services.

Our Licensed Therapists have specialized training and certifications including:

- Neuro-Developmental Therapy
- Lite Gait
- Universal Exercise Unit
- Kinesiotaping
- Sensory Integration
- Therapeutic Listening
- Therapy Intensives in the summer
- Hand Writing without Tears
- Hanen Language Program
- Beckman Oral Motor Therapy
- Feeding Therapy
- PROMPT training
- Floor Time Therapy

Easter Seals Greater Houston's Children's Therapy Program is AAAASF accredited, and accepts Medicaid, CHIP, insurance and private pay as fees for service. For more information about Easter Seals' therapy services, please call 713.838.9050, ext. 381.





Camps

Camp Buckaroo is a summer day-camp for children ages 6 to 15 with disabilities and their siblings ages 6 to 10. Campers participate in themed games, crafts, and other fun activities with the help of their 1:1 volunteer buddy.

Camp Smiles is a summer overnight camp for children ages 6 to 15 with cerebral palsy or similar neurological disorders. Camp Smiles takes place at Camp For All, a completely accessible camp site where campers of all abilities can swim, fish, go horseback riding, and can even do a high ropes course.

Camp MOST is a weekend retreat for teens and young adult Camp Smiles graduates that is also held at Camp For All, the completely accessible camp site. The retreat focuses on socialization and self-confidence.



Case Management and Information & Referral

Easter Seals' Case Management services keep individuals with disabilities and their caregivers on track to get the services they need, such as therapy, durable medical equipment, and resources for food, housing and legal assistance.

Case Management services are offered under four categories:

1. Community Living Assistance & Support Services (CLASS) Case Management
2. Veterans, Service Members and their families
3. Financial Coaching and Education
4. Navigation as a partner of United Way Greater Houston's Second Century Vision

Easter Seals Case Management services also provides limited emergency assistance, and are recipients of Emergency Food & Shelter Funds.

CLASS

Community Living Assistance and Support Services provides home and community based services to people with disabilities as a cost-effective alternative to placement in an intermediate care facility. The main benefit of CLASS is to help maintain independence and provide support for a person with a disability. Easter Seals is a provider of case management services for the CLASS program in the greater Houston area.

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ToyTech & Play Group Therapy

ToyTech offers a lending library of specially adapted toys that make play accessible to children with all types of disabilities. Play Group Therapy includes Adapted Yoga, Karate, and Video Games. ToyTech and Play Groups offer educational experiences that support the physical, cognitive and social development of children, which assists with integration of children with disabilities into their families, school, and the community. Play is how children learn, explore the world, and discover their own capabilities. While children are having fun, they are building the base for literacy, mathematical reasoning, creativity, and computer use - all skills that they need to develop into independent productive adults.

Assistive Technology Labs

This program features adaptive aids that allow persons with disabilities to access technology as a means to gain more control over their lives and enhance their ability to function as independently as possible. Equipment includes software and devices that enable people with disabilities to use technology as an empowering agent facilitating communication, employment opportunities and independence. Please visit www.bridgingapps.org to view each lab's hours.



BridgingApps®

BridgingApps® is the nationally award winning program that provides resources, education, and information on apps and mobile devices to help people with disabilities and Veterans target and improve skills and reach their highest levels of physical, cognitive, social, mental and financial health.

BridgingApps® offers the following free programs and services:

- Open Labs and Open Houses; Lab locations include: BridgingApps Technology Lab in Houston, The Woodlands Lab, and the Stafford Lab.
- Individualized Lab Appointments
- Full Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Evaluation (private pay)
- Mobile Device Services
- Workshops and Presentations
- TexasYouth2Adult Transition Tool
- Financial Technology training and education

BridgingApps® helps bridge the gap between technology and people with disabilities. For more information, please visit www.bridgingapps.org.

Education Services

High School/High Tech is a community-based partnership of parents, educators, rehabilitation professionals and business representatives working together to encourage high school students with disabilities to explore the fields of science, engineering and technology. **Almost half of students with disabilities drop out of high school, but 99% of our students graduate.**

Through this program students with disabilities are presented a mix of learning experiences that promote career exploration and broaden educational horizons including the following:

- Corporate site visits
- Mentoring at Ready to Achieve Mentoring (RAMP) sites in collaboration with the Institute for Educational Leadership, and mentoring from professionals
- Job shadowing, guest speaker presentations, science and technology-related school activities and projects
- For some, employment through paid summer internships
- On-the-job training, career and college counseling and computer workshops.



The Caroline School

The Caroline School is a private school where every child can learn with the right amount of support. Our team of educators specializes in teaching students with multiple disabilities, which includes communication, mobility, or medical needs. After fostering a caring relationship with each child, lessons are individualized and implemented to target each learner's physical, social and cognitive needs. By following a customized curriculum and providing therapeutic activities like art, music therapy, and pet therapy, we meet students where they are developmentally and support them to reach their highest potential.

We offer low student-to-teacher ratios, sliding scale tuition, a quick enrollment process, an accessible playground, summer school, and extended school-day options. In conjunction with other Easter Seals Greater Houston programs, we also offer on-site communication and technology support, Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy. For more information, please visit www.CarolineSchool.org.



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Transition & Supported Employment Services

Easter Seals Greater Houston provides supported employment and job placement for any approved Texas Workforce Commission clients in its service area. Any Texas Workforce Commission client with a disability is also eligible for Easter Seals' supported employment program. Supported employment services include assessment, training and job placement assistance. Transition Services provides pre-employment training classes for teens and young adults who need assistance in learning how to find and keep employment.



Respite Services

Respite Services are support options provided on a short-term basis for the purpose of relief to the primary caregiver of individuals with disabilities. Respite care is an assistance program for caregivers; but just as important, it is a prevention program aimed at stopping some of the social problems that can result from the tremendous emotional, physical, and mental demands of caring for someone with a disability.

In-Home Vouchers provide funds for child care services in the family's home

Respitality a free overnight stay at a local hotel

Parents Night Out is a Friday night out-of-home Respite program where children, teens, and young adults with disabilities are welcome to come and have an opportunity to socialize in a safe and fun environment

Family Day Out is a Saturday day-camp held throughout the year in community settings for children with disabilities and their siblings. Children participate in arts and crafts and other fun activities

Adult Services

Easter Seals' older and senior Adult Programs offer recreational opportunities to adults with disabilities through bi-weekly meetings, bowling, fields trips, education, self advocacy, skills training and touch based technology training. This program offers many of its clients their only opportunity for socializing and provides respite for the adult participants' caregivers.



Housing and Financial Coaching

Assists low-income individuals and families, Veterans and adults with disabilities, and families with a child with a disability reach their dream of owning their first home through financial education, financial coaching, down payment assistance (Montgomery County only), and home buyers education. We are proud partners of United Way Greater Houston's Financial Education Initiative, which works to break the cycle of poverty.



Veterans, Service Members and Military-Connected Family Services

Easter Seals Greater Houston offers individual, couples, and group counseling, case management, and information and referral services to Veterans, Service Members and Military-Connected Family Members. Our services also include family camps focused on giving families an opportunity to connect in the outdoors and to engage with mental health supports; financial education and coaching; technology assistance; and service and companion dog training for Veterans with disabilities. The program is funded in part by the Texas Veterans + Family Alliance grant and Texas Veterans Commission. Our mission is to assist Veterans, Service Members and Military-Connected Family Members in building the lives they want during and after the military and to meet their needs around reintegration, stability, wellness, and growth. Our goal is to provide an easy point of entry to a range of behavioral health services. For more information, please visit eastersealshouston.org/military-veterans/ call 346-330-3859.



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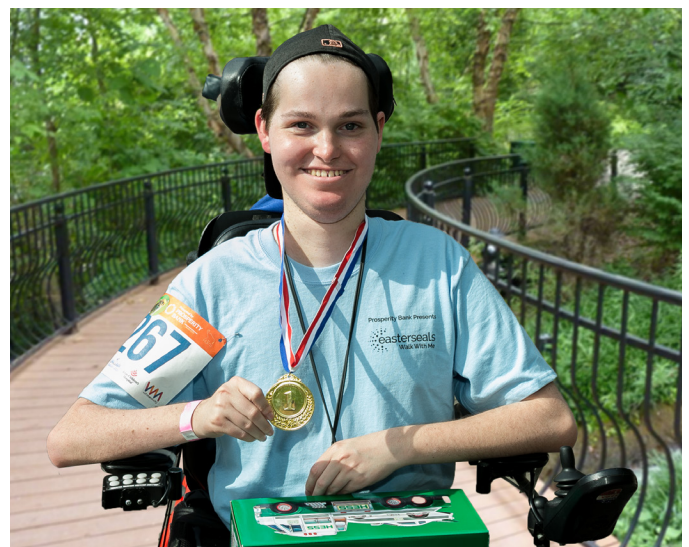
Youth Action Council

The Youth Action Council (YAC) supports the programs of Easter Seals Greater Houston. Their fundraising and program support make a real impact on our clients. Any high school student in the Greater Houston area who can commit to attending four meetings and participating in Walk With Me are welcome to join as High School Delegates on YAC.



Walk With Me

Walk With Me is a Family Fun Walk through the Houston Zoo that helps raise awareness and resources for Easter Seals Greater Houston's transformative disability and veteran/military-connected services. Our community of clients, service dogs, families, corporate partners, staff, and friends walk and roll amongst the elephants, giraffes, and cheetahs toward a more inclusive and accessible tomorrow. The celebration continues with free food, animal shows, children's activities, music, and more. Afterward, participants are welcome to stay and enjoy the zoo for the remainder of the day. For more details, please visit www.walkwithmehouston.org.



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Caroline School

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Children's Therapy Program

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ECI/Infant Development

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Housing & Financial Coaching

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Mental Health Services

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Play Group

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Respite Services

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ToyTech

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Veterans, Service Members, and Military-Connected Family Services

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Giving

Help Easter Seals continue in its mission of providing exceptional services to people with disabilities and their families by donating today!

Donate online at www.eastersealshouston.org
or mail in the donation form provided below.



Enclosed is my gift in the amount of \$ _____ to be used for whatever is needed most or the program marked below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ECI/Infant Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans, Service Members, and Military-Connected Family Services |
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Changing the way the world defines and views disabilities by making profound, positive differences in people's lives every day.

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