Founded in 1947, Easter Seals Greater Houston serves individuals with all types of disabilities, as well as their families. Through a staff of over 190 professionals, Easter Seals serves more than 8,500 families annually in the Greater Houston area.
Easter Seals Greater Houston is the only local non-profit provider of services for individuals with autism, developmental disabilities, physical and mental disabilities, and all other special needs. For more than 68 years, we have been offering help, hope and answers to children and adults living with any type of disability, and to the families who love them. Through therapy, training, education and support services, Easter Seals creates life-changing solutions so that people with disabilities can live, learn, work and play in their communities. Easter Seals Greater Houston is extremely efficient with $.90 of every dollar going to provide direct client services. Support children and adults with disabilities at www.eastersealshouston.org.

The most recent U.S. Census reported that one in five 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.

Partners in Hope

You can help individuals with a disability develop to their fullest physical, cognitive and social development. 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 make significant progress toward their goals and are able to improve their quality of life, independence, productivity and integration into the community.
Changing the lives of people with disabilities

OUR SERVICES

• **Adult Services** offers recreational opportunities to older adults/seniors & younger adults with disabilities through bi-weekly meetings, bowling, field 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 participant’s caregivers.

• **Camps and Case Management** includes Camp Buckaroo (day camp), Camp Smiles (overnight camp) and Camp MOST for teens (overnight camp) as well as Family Day Out (Houston, Fort Bend and Woodlands) which provide recreation and socialization for the child as well as respite for the caregiver. Case management provides community connection, referral to resources and emotional support for people with disabilities, their caregivers and siblings. Other connections include limited emergency assistance, CLASS Case Management, Waiver Programs, & Official Food Bank Pantry.

• **Children’s Therapy Services** are physical, occupational and speech therapy for children birth to fifteen including intensive therapy for potentially life-changing results as well as AAC/AT assessments and evaluations. Bellaire and Fort Bend Clinics.

• **ECI/Infant Program** provides comprehensive Early Childhood Intervention Services for children 0 to age thirty-six months including physical, occupational, speech and vision therapy as well as case management services, community resource referral services in Harris, Fort Bend, Montgomery and Liberty Counties.

• **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. 1 of 5 nationally to offer Ready to Achieve Mentoring (RAMP) Program with mentoring, job skills, transition and internships for at-risk teens with disabilities. Includes campus meetings, company tours and internships.

• **Housing Initiative / Home of Your Own (HOYO)** assists low-income adults with disabilities or a family with a child with a disability realize the dream of owning their first home through financial literacy, home buyers education, down payment assistance. HOYO is a proud partner of THRIVE which works to break the cycle of poverty through collaboration. Harris, Fort Bend and Montgomery counties.

• **Respite Services** provides relief options to parents who provide ongoing care of their family member who has a disability, through vouchers for in-home respite care, Lifespan, Teen Social Club, Parent Night Out and Respitality to reduce stress, prevent divorce, abuse, and institutionalization of individuals with disabilities.

• **Social Motion Skills** offers skills classes for children and adolescents with social integration difficulties (autism spectrum disorders, ADHD, language and learning differences) including peer support groups, drivers ed, social outings and transition/internships for teens and young adults.

• **The Caroline School** is an option for parents of children with significant disabilities who are seeking availability of a private alternative to existing public school special education programs. The focus is on meeting the physical, cognitive and social needs of the child including available physical, occupational, speech therapy, touch based technology and play therapy on site.

• **Toy/Tech and Play Therapy** offers a lending library of specially adapted toys and AT&T Assistive Technology Lab, BridgingApps, Karate, dance, art, Camp ATtack, Gymboree, yoga, pet therapy, play groups, counseling, and other educational experiences to help the development and integration of children with disabilities into their families, school and the community. BridgingApps is a volunteer community of parents, therapists, doctors and teachers that shares information on how we are using the iPad, iPhone, iPod Touch and Android devices with people with disabilities available locally, in the Rio Grande Valley and Austin or through the website.

• **Transition Services** offering a full range of services for youth with autism and co-occurring mental illness; Vocational training through DARS for people with all disabilities.

• **Veteran Services** is a new program offering case management and referral to other needed services for veterans.
OUR EVENTS

**Hats Off to Mothers Luncheon**
Honoring ten Houston mothers who have made significant contributions to their families and the Houston community. As Easter Seal’s major fundraising luncheon, this event promises to be great fun and features a reception, seated luncheon and informal fashion show by Neiman Marcus Galleria at the River Oaks Country Club.

**Walk With Me**
A 5K Family Fun Walk to raise awareness and resources for Easter Seals Greater Houston and its multiple programs. For more information, visit the Walk With Me website at www.walkwithmehouston.org.

**The Bash: A Halloween Happening**
The not to be missed Halloween party featuring an open-bar, live music, tasty eats, and a one-of-a-kind costume contest. For more information, visit The Bash website at www.houstonbash.com.

*For more information about our special events, please visit www.eastersealshouston.org

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

**Young Urban Professionals of Easter Seals (YUPES)**
YUPES is a group within Easter Seals that was formed to support the organization in accomplishing its mission, which is to provide exceptional services for people with disabilities and their families so they can live, learn, work and play in our community. This exciting organization gives Houstonians the opportunity to meet and socialize with other savvy young professionals, while helping raise awareness and resources for Easter Seals.

Members will have the opportunity to attend quarterly social events and volunteer with the agency. Membership eligibility is based on willingness and ability to support and participate in YUPES activities. Net proceeds of all fundraising events directly benefit programs of Easter Seals.

**Volunteer**
For more information about volunteer opportunities, please visit www.eastersealshouston.org or contact us at info@eastersealshouston.org.

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Easter Seals’ Mission

is to provide exceptional services to help ensure that people with disabilities and their families have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play in their communities.

For help, to volunteer, make a donation or support our mission in any way, please visit our website at www.eastersealshouston.org.

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