



Canopy Children's Solutions is Mississippi's most comprehensive nonprofit provider of children's behavioral health, educational and social service solutions. The organization was established in 1912 as Mississippi Children's Home Society.

There are many "firsts" that have grown from Canopy's century-old history including the state's first maternity home for unwed mothers-to-be; it opened the first private, not-for-profit psychiatric residential treatment facility for children and adolescents; the first pilot program nation-wide for an intensive in-home psychiatric care model. Canopy piloted that state's first early intervention autism clinic utilizing Applied Behavior Analysis therapy for the treatment of autism, and in 2018 opened the first Center of Excellence for children's behavioral health solutions. In 2020, Canopy stepped into the health crisis rolling out its LINK program that connects families facing crises such as job loss, food insecurity, housing instability, parenting challenges, etc., with federal, state and local resources to eliminate barriers and help strengthen families.

Canopy is of the largest 501(c)3 organizations in the state—more than 90 percent of all donations directly support the more than 5,000 children and families served by Canopy each year throughout all 82 counties of the state. Canopy's network of solutions includes a crisis shelter, two schools, one psychiatric residential treatment center, an Applied Behavior Analysis autism therapy clinic, three outpatient behavioral health clinics, a child advocacy center, and numerous intensive solutions that provide care to families within their homes and local communities.

2019 Solution Outcomes

- ◆ Canopy served 5,423 children and their families in 2019.
 - 2,260 children received outpatient therapy through Canopy's Behavioral Health Clinics in Gulfport, Hattiesburg and Jackson.
 - 200 children received intensive psychiatric care through the CARES Center residential treatment facility.
 - 49 children received more than 20,400 hours of intensive Applied Behavior Analysis therapies through the Early Intervention Autism Clinics in Hattiesburg and Jackson.
 - 454 children were served in their local homes and communities through intensive in-home psychiatric care from Mississippi Youth Programs Around the Clock (MYPAC).
 - 373 students were served through the CARES Schools in Hattiesburg and Jackson partnering with 36 school districts across Central and South Central Mississippi.
 - 1,328 families were served through in-CIRCLE's family preservation and reunification services with a 95% success rate in families staying safely together following discharge.
 - 875 children received services through Canopy's South Mississippi Child Advocacy Center on the Gulf Coast following suspected incidents of child abuse and neglect.
 - 13 children were placed into the care of therapeutic foster homes in the Pine Belt area through Canopy's Therapeutic Foster Care program.
 - 71 children found refuge from abuse, neglect, homelessness or abandonment at Canopy's Warren County Children's Shelter in Vicksburg.
- ◆ Canopy saw a 12% increase in the number of children served in 2019 over 2018.
- ◆ Ninety percent of organizational funds received were used to fund program expenses statewide.
- ◆ Canopy employs more than 425 direct care staff, medical and therapeutic providers, teachers, social workers, advocates, and professional staff.
- ◆ Ninety five percent of children were safely maintained or reunified with their families through Canopy's in-CIRCLE program