

## North & West Texas

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This month, we would like to share a few of the many exciting initiatives that will enhance our mission of providing help, healing and hope in the name of Jesus Christ:

- LSS recently opened a new foster care/adoption office in Lubbock, where we are already serving 29 foster children. In 2006, 171 children were placed in permanent homes through the LSS foster-to-adopt program. Contact the Lubbock office at (806) 698-0790, or go online at [www.LSSS.org/children.htm](http://www.LSSS.org/children.htm) for the office nearest you.
- Educational results at our charter schools continue to be impressive. All of our Trinity Charter School campuses, including at the Nelson Children's Center in Denton, have been rated "academically acceptable" (the highest rating they can receive) by the Texas Education Agency.
- Retiring soon? Eight new cottages have been completed at Copperfield Village in Victoria. Twelve new cottages will be completed at Kruse Village, Brenham, by the end of September. Find out more online at [www.LSSS.org/seniors.htm](http://www.LSSS.org/seniors.htm).
- Our disaster response programs have served more than 10,000 individuals through case management programs, more than 3,000 children through summer programs, and cleaned out, repaired, or rebuilt more than 9,000 homes. These efforts have served 51,000! Help is still needed. Experts predict recovery will take 10 years. Visit [www.LSSS.org/disasterresponse.htm](http://www.LSSS.org/disasterresponse.htm).
- The LSS Board of Directors recently approved the creation of a first ever LSS affordable housing pilot program. It will provide 50 single-family homes for families who typically earn between \$25,000 and \$35,000 in the Port Arthur/Sabine Pass region. Many of these Southeast Texas families lost their homes to Hurricane Rita.
- Upcoming events to support the Nelson Children's Center: 1) the Nelson benefit chamber music concerts Sept. 30 and Oct. 7; and the Nelson Golf Tournament Oct. 8. For more information, please visit [www.LSSS.org](http://www.LSSS.org) and click on Events.