

About Bethany for Children & Families

Bethany for Children & Families is a non-profit, social service organization serving Eastern Iowa and West Central Illinois.

Founded in 1899, Bethany offers an array of programs that nurture children and strengthen families and communities ensuring they are healthy and supportive places for children to grow.



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Milestones

An after-school and summer program for youth that focuses on eliminating unwanted behaviors and improving family functioning



The Milestones program is funded by:

Iowa Medicaid
Remedial Services Division



Milestones An After-school program for youth



What is the Milestones Program?

Milestones provides services to families and children in order to assist them in eliminating unwanted behaviors of each individual child and improve family functioning. Through a variety of resources, staff members work with each child to assist them with modeling appropriate behavior and ways to use healthy coping skills.

What qualifies my child for these services?

Youth between the ages of 6-12 years who have Title XIX coverage can have an assessment completed by a Licensed Practitioner for Healing Arts (LPHA). Bethany for Children & Families has an LPHA on staff who can assist you and your child.

What will my child do while in the program?

Children in the Milestones program will participate in a structured therapeutic setting consisting of extra curricular activities and individual and large group activities focusing on skill interventions. Snacks and/or meals will be provided.

The skill interventions may focus on:

- Anger management
- Social skills
- Healthy relationships
- Communication skills
- Behavior management
- Depression or anxiety
- Peer choices
- Problem solving skills.

How are referrals handled for the Milestones Program?

Parents, school officials, and other community representatives refer children in Scott County to the Milestones program when they see a need for a child to be shown new and positive ways to handle their emotions, frustrations, and other life stressors in new and healthy ways.

The goal of the program is to reach out and assist children in Scott County before their behavior causes permanent difficulties for themselves or their families.

Where does the program take place?

The group and individual services within the program are held in the Bethany office at 1202 W. 3rd Street in Davenport and through the Friendly House 1221 N. Myrtle Street in Davenport.

Who will be working with my child?

Remedial service specialists employed by Bethany for Children & Families are certified through the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise to provide these services. Staff receive ongoing training to meet the needs of children and families experiencing difficult behaviors.

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Keeping kids *safe* and *helping* parents *care* for their children for 110 years