



Ranch Ehrlo Society

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ABOUT

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Frequently asked questions



About Ranch Ehrlo

Ranch Ehrlo Society, a non-profit charitable organization, was founded in 1966. It is governed by a volunteer board of directors.

It started as a single residential unit for six troubled boys and grew to a multi-service agency providing highly specialized programs. Today, Ranch Ehrlo Society operates residential, clinical, community, and educational programs across the province.

Our mission is to provide quality prevention, restorative, and advocacy services to vulnerable individuals and families through highly engaged and professional employees.





Who we serve

Residential programming

The Ranch serves young people who are experiencing social, psychological, behavioural, and cognitive difficulties. Our clients also include youth and adults with differing abilities.

Community programming

Our community services provide community-based prevention and intervention services and strive to promote healthy communities for children and families, free of abuse, neglect, addictions, and violence.

Family treatment programming

We operate three family-focused programs that work to prevent the placement of children out of their home, assist families to reunite after having a child in care, or provide family-based care for children.



Residential questions

How are clients referred?

Clients are referred to our residential and family programs by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Social Services, First Nations Child & Family agencies, as well as out-of-province referrals. The referral source pays the cost of treatment for the client.

How long do residents stay at the Ranch?

We believe in providing the right service, at the right time, for the right length of time. Depending on the issues being addressed, the length of residency can vary from a few months up to several years.

What are the ages/backgrounds of your clients?

Clients come from different backgrounds; they vary from as young as eight to adulthood; they speak English, Dene, French, Cree, and other languages.

What is the residential treatment process?

Programs are designed to enhance the well-being of clients through the provision of holistic, psychosocial therapies leading to improved social and emotional functioning. The Ranch is responsive to cultural diversity, and makes every effort to design programs that reflect the population it serves.

How is behaviour managed?

Residential, educational, and clinical programs are designed to assist youth in learning and developing healthy and positive patterns of behaviours. The agency uses a number of tools and approaches to assist each client in working through problems on an appropriate developmental basis.

What is the success rate?

While clients are in the program, nearly all of them achieve the goals they have identified to staff and family. At the time of discharge, most youth feel very positive about their achievements. Support systems provided by family and community influence the sustainability of this success.

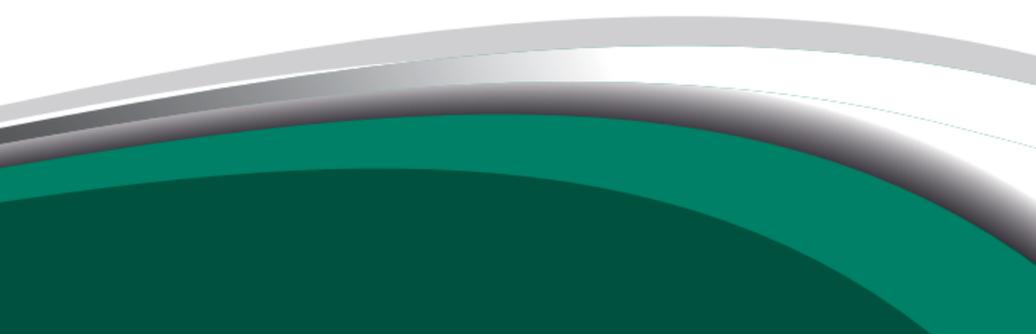
Annually, the Ranch releases an outcomes report outlining the success of all our residential clients, using the Efforts to Outcomes database program.

What is emergency receiving?

Ranch Ehrlo provides emergency receiving services for children ages 12 to 15 on a short-term basis for up to 30 days while the Ministry of Social Services develops a plan for the young person.

What are clinical services?

Clinical services enhance the treatment process and help youth confront the issues that brought them here, while working to enhance their individual psychological and social well-being. Clinical services include clinical assessments, counselling, group therapy, and other services.





Education

Most youth coming to Ranch Ehrlo have had little success in school. Frustration and failure have often led to anger or withdrawal. To meet this challenge, we offer specialized education which stabilizes behaviour and builds academic skills.

We have a teacher and an educational assistant in each classroom. This allows students one-on-one time to learn at their own pace. Our classrooms are non-graded and a student's progression is based on goal achievement.

Programs

We operate three school programs accredited through the Independent Schools Branch of the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education :

- **Schaller Education Centre** includes a school on the Pilot Butte campus for youth who are new to Ranch Ehrlo, Transition Program located in Regina that prepares youth to transition toward a mainstream placement, and classrooms operated by Ranch Ehrlo in Regina public schools.



- **Ellen Gunn Education Centre** includes a school on the Corman Park campus for youth who are new to Ranch Ehrlo.
- **Hansen Education Centre** includes a school on the Buckland campus for youth who are new to Ranch Ehrlo and classrooms operated by Ranch Ehrlo in Prince Albert public schools.

Additional resources

An individualized education plan is developed with each student. The plans utilize SMART goals and are revised three times during the school year as the student progresses.

Ranch Ehrlo also accesses the clinical services branch to provide robust assessment for students and offer a number of therapeutic services to enhance a student's well-being including art therapy, music, and Equine Assisted Therapy. Our strategy for success integrates education, with a student's clinical and residential plan, along with input from parents and the referral agency.



Other education opportunities

- The Learning Centre is designed to meet the needs of individuals, 17 years or older, who have severe to moderate differing abilities. The programming involves ongoing social and life skills development, and simple vocational training.
- The Community Vocational Education Program (CVEP) and Alternative Vocational Education Program (AVEP) offer pre-employment skills development.



Community services

Ranch Ehrlo's community services are designed to promote the well-being of all individuals, families and communities by making places of living, working, and playing better places to be. Our goal is to ensure everyone can achieve their full potential.

Programs:

- Ehrlo Sport Venture targets at-risk youth through free recreational programming.
- Ehrlo Counselling serves individuals, couples, and families.
- Ehrlo Housing offers affordable housing for low-income families, single mothers, individuals with chronic mental health conditions, and youth transitioning from care.
- Ehrlo Early Learning Centre serves families who require early childhood education and childcare.
- Paper Crane Community Arts Centre uses art to create well-being in our daily lives.



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Family services

We are a family-focused agency and our goal is to keep families together whenever possible.

Programs

Family Treatment Program aims to improve family safety, functioning, and child wellbeing and to assist families in preventing the placement of children out of their home or to unite after having a child in care.

Intensive Family Preservation Services is an intensive in-home program that works with families who are at imminent risk of having their children removed from their homes, or those who have recently had children removed. It is designed to stabilize and strengthen families.

Treatment Foster Care Program provides a supportive family environment for children. Foster families support the children in their care while helping to develop healthy relationships between the child and their birth family.



Frequently asked questions

How are high standards assured?

The Ranch is accredited by the Council on Accreditation, an international body which develops and maintains standards that are on the leading-edge of new technology and change.

How is the Ranch governed?

The Ranch has a volunteer board of directors, comprised of citizens representing various areas within Saskatchewan. The board sets policy, establishes direction, and develops strategic goals.

Why refer clients to the Ranch?

The bulk of our programs focus on residential treatment. Our integrated services allows clients timely access to all our programs and services, including:

- Psychological assessment within days of arriving
- Group and individual counselling
- Individualized treatment plan
- Occupational/speech language therapy services
- Accredited schools with individualized education plans
- Transitional classrooms
- Therapeutic camping
- Art/music therapy
- Equine assisted therapy
- Sports programming
- Well maintained group homes
- Trained and caring staff
- Free community programs

For more FAQs and what makes the Ranch unique go to ehrlo.com.

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