



**VIRGINIA**  
HOME FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

# What we do

VHBG's three core program areas provide a high level of service that goes above what is supported by state and local agencies:

## TRANSITIONAL LIVING HOMES

include a VDSS licensed Group Care Services program that serves young people ages 11-17 who have usually been removed from their home by Child Protective Services. Our Independent Living (IL) is for young people ages 17-25 who are eager to learn how to live independently but are facing housing instability due to life circumstances. We offer two approaches: an IL Arrangement licensed by VDSS for young people aging out of foster care ages 17-21; and IL for young people ages 18-25 who are not connected to VDSS but are facing homelessness. We have an affinity group for young adults who identify as LGBTQ+ on our campus called Pride Place at VHBG.

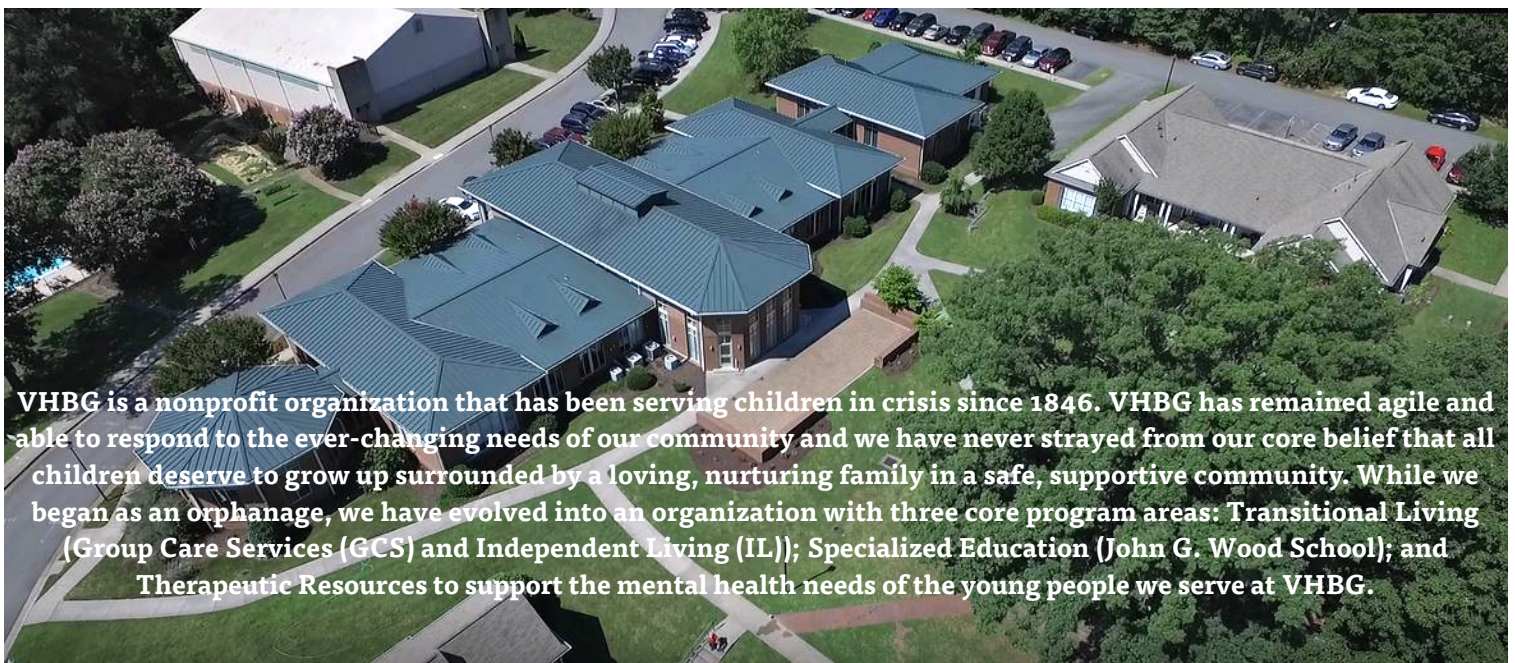
## JOHN G. WOOD (JGW) SCHOOL

is specialized education fully licensed by VA-DOE for K-12 students who are not able to be successful in public school. Some residents of our group homes attend JGW in addition to students who commute from multiple localities in the Richmond region. Career and Technical Education classes teach practical, vocational skills.

## THERAPEUTIC RESOURCE CENTER

meets the mental health needs of the young people we serve on campus. Resources include counseling, psycho-education, an on-campus nurse, and consultants who provide psycho-therapy and psychiatry in our therapeutic resource center. Youth Mental Health First Aid workshops are provided free-of-charge to the community.

**VHBG's therapeutic neighborhood gives young people a chance to transition to a better life.**



VHBG is a nonprofit organization that has been serving children in crisis since 1846. VHBG has remained agile and able to respond to the ever-changing needs of our community and we have never strayed from our core belief that all children deserve to grow up surrounded by a loving, nurturing family in a safe, supportive community. While we began as an orphanage, we have evolved into an organization with three core program areas: Transitional Living (Group Care Services (GCS) and Independent Living (IL)); Specialized Education (John G. Wood School); and Therapeutic Resources to support the mental health needs of the young people we serve at VHBG.