At Gemma Services, we cherish each individual and ensure every child, youth, and family within our community has the tools they need to thrive.

Our research-based, trauma-informed programs are designed to cultivate a culture of learning and healing in a safe and nurturing environment.
A Place for Hope and Healing

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM

Our Residential Treatment Program provides 24/7 clinical treatment and trauma-focused care for children and youth who have experienced traumas and significant mental health concerns. Our goal is to help them heal and learn new skills so they can live successfully in a home setting. Residential services are offered in Plymouth Meeting. The program serves children ages 6 to 14 who have experienced loss, unexpected challenges, and significant trauma, and whose behaviors are presently too unsafe for them to live in the community. Our skilled and caring staff are dedicated to helping children feel valued and embrace a trauma-informed approach. Each child's family and/or guardians are respected and included as full partners in the care and treatment of their children, as possible.

EDUCATION

Martin Luther School is an Approved Private School located in Plymouth Meeting that uses a holistic educational approach to assist students in grades K through 12 who need an out-of-district placement with additional support for learning, emotional, and behavioral challenges.

Martin Luther School offers a low student-to-teacher ratio with certified teachers, emotional and behavioral support, 21st century learning opportunities, and related services such as speech and occupational therapy.

Additionally, a core element of Martin Luther School is a Restorative Practices approach that promotes healthy relationships and positive discipline inside and outside of school.

OUR IMPACT

During Fiscal Year 2020-2021, thousands of children and families received services through Gemma’s programs, including:

- **149** children and adolescents received services through our Residential Treatment Program.
- **844** children received Outpatient Mental Health Services.
- **493** children & families received behavioral support or prevention services in their homes, schools, and communities.
- **133** children with Autism Spectrum Disorders received Applied Behavior Analysis Services.
- **224** children attended Martin Luther School.
- **325** children were supported in our Foster Care, Treatment Homes, and Adoption Programs.
- **844** children received Outpatient Mental Health Services.
SERVING CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND THEIR FAMILIES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES

Our Prevention Programs include a Family Empowerment Center and In Home Protective Services.

Our goal is to help children, youth, and families achieve their brightest futures and strengthen the communities we serve.

Community Based Programs Include:

- **Treatment Foster Care** includes services for children from Bucks, Delaware, Lancaster, Montgomery, Northern Chester, and Philadelphia Counties who cannot reside in their own homes presently. Foster families provide compassionate care in a loving home environment to address the needs of children with emotional and behavioral challenges to help them heal and flourish.

- **The Host Home Program** was developed to provide treatment and a safe and supportive home environment for children ages 4 through 18 who are dealing with serious emotional and behavioral issues. Eligible children and teens are placed in family homes with specially trained host parents who use individualized plans to meet each child’s needs, with the goal of alleviating the pain, distress, and disruption in their lives while building resiliency and stability.

- **Adoption & Permanency Services** are provided for children and adolescents who have experienced loss, separation, abuse, neglect, and other trauma. These services are for children who have been placed in homes of foster or kinship families because their legal families are unable to provide the care they need.

- **Outpatient Mental Health Services** include individual therapy, family therapy, and medication management for children and teens, ages 2 to 18. Credentialed therapists use evidence-based practices including Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) and Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) in working with children and teens. Our team of clinicians is dedicated to the progress and healing of those we serve.

- **Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS)** offer intensive support in home and school settings for children, youth, and young adults up to age 21 experiencing serious emotional or behavioral issues or skill deficits. IBHS programming is designed to give each child the tools they need to face challenges with a greater sense of strength and resilience and improve overall behavioral functioning.

- **Our Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) program** is based on the science of learning and behavior and involves the process of implementing basic behavioral interventions to create meaningful behavior changes. ABA services are typically provided to children, youth, or young adults diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum and include assessments and 1:1 interventions to help them improve their behavioral, social, communication, and adaptive skills.

- **Family Based Mental Health Services (FBMHS)** is an intensive, evidenced-based, and family-focused approach to support children, adolescents, and their families. The primary goal of FBMHS is to assist families with maintaining their child in the home and keeping families intact, rather than an out-of-home placement for the child. FBMHS provides intensive individual and family therapy, as well as case management to support a family at home and in the community by a two-person team.

- **Our Prevention Programs** include a **Family Empowerment Center, Family Support Program, and In Home Protective Services**. The goal of these programs is to support children and families to overcome challenges, strengthen community supports, and prevent further involvement with the child welfare system.
Our Mission

Gemma Services changes lives by transforming hope into action for children, youth, and families facing emotional and behavioral challenges.

Our Locations

**Plymouth Meeting**
- Administrative Offices
- Foster Family Care
- Martin Luther School
- Residential Treatment

512 West Township Line Rd
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462
General Inquiries: (610) 825–4440
General Foster Care Inquiries: (610) 825–4440 x3205
New Foster Parent Inquiries: (215) 901–7134

**Mt. Airy**
- Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)
- Family Based Mental Health Services (FBMHS)
- Foster Family Care
- Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS)
- Outpatient Mental Health Services

7301 Germantown Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19119
ABA/IBHS Intake & Referrals: (267) 297–5170
FBMHS Inquiries: (215) 730–2270
New Foster Parent Inquiries: (215) 901–7134
Outpatient Intake & Referral: (215) 730–2326
Outpatient Reception: (215) 247–1427

**Preheim Center**
- Adoption & Permanency Services
- Family Based Mental Health Services (FBMHS)
- Family Support Program (FSP)
- Foster Family Care
- Outpatient Mental Health Services
- Prevention Programs

6517 Chester Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19142
Reception: (215) 730–2240
Please call Reception for FSP Inquiries
FBMHS Inquiries: (215) 730–2270
New Foster Parent Inquiries: (215) 901–7134
Outpatient Intake & Referral: (215) 730–2326

Gemma Services was formed in 2019 when Silver Springs – Martin Luther School and theVillage united to operate as one single organization serving children, families, and communities across the Philadelphia region. Representing a combined 300 years of service to vulnerable and at-risk children and families, Gemma Services is guided by the vision of a world in which children, youth, and families feel valued and have the tools to realize their highest potential.