

## Youth Horizon Kinloch Price Boys Ranch

Youth Horizons, established in 1989 by Earnest Alexander and Jeff Wenzel, has grown since then to be one of the most successful local services in the Wichita area serving at risk youth. Youth Horizons serves kids of all races who come from broken fatherless backgrounds. Youth Horizons accomplishes their mission by matching children with Christian mentors and providing a safe and structured home environment for boys ages 10 to 22 in a residential program located at the Kinloch Price Boys Ranch on North Woodlawn Ave, north of Wichita, KS. Currently there are two homes on the 80 acre property with two additional homes under construction which will allow Youth Horizons to house up to 28 boys in 4 group homes on the property.

A professionally trained married couple (called a family coaching couple) live in each home and along with an assistant family coach provide the oversight needed to apply behavioral principals that teach life skills including home management, personal finance, and the work and relationship skills necessary to become a productive and successful member of the community. The boys are taught work skills while tending the ranch's garden and helping with maintenance at the facility.

Youth Horizons cares for children who want a family environment, but need more structure than a typical foster home can provide. The boys who live at the ranch are educated on site thru Valley Center USD #262 overseen by a professional onsite teacher who monitors the boys' progress. Coach parents and tutors also help them reach their academic goals.

Youth Horizons uses the Girls and Boys Town Teaching & Treatment model which has been proven to be effective in helping youth actually transition from a difficult background into a successful adulthood. Studies have shown that 90% of Girls & Boys Town students graduate from high school.

There are currently two additional homes being constructed at the ranch. Due to funding shortfalls Prairie Hill Vineyard is sponsoring a (Thank you to Youth Horizons) fundraiser which will help with the construction costs while helping them receive a matching grant from a local foundation if received by September 30th 2015.

For more information please go to [youthhorizons.net](http://youthhorizons.net).

## Earnest Alexander

Earnest Alexander is the president and founder of Youth Horizons and has devoted his life to serving and reaching out to help troubled and at risk children. He has personally adopted two boys, now adults, and has helped many others individually and through Youth Horizons.

In addition to his work at Youth Horizons, he has travelled extensively both in the United States and overseas performing at concerts, schools, and other venues. He has received numerous awards and has performed with many different groups including most notably Wichita's own "Singing Quakers" from Friends University.

Please join us in giving a community wide **THANK YOU** to Earnest Alexander and Youth Horizons.