**Our Mission**
The goal of Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services is to provide physical therapy and occupational therapy to Florida children who do not have easy access to these services. These services are provided in the patient’s home without regard to the ability to pay for such services. This program strives to render the highest quality services possible to this special population.

**Program Details**
Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services provides in-home physical and occupational therapy to Florida children in need of such services. This rehabilitation is necessary to be rendered in the home because of the absence of these services locally or because of the patient being medically infirmed at home. Priority is given to children who do not have ready access to therapy as a result of financial considerations.

Our services focus on child-centered treatment and family education throughout Florida. Our program is based on the premise that skilled therapy services combined with the completion of an individualized home program, exercises and activities designed by the therapist will positively impact children and families. FECTS believes children and their families or caregivers need to be viewed in a holistic manner. Upon receiving the patient application of referral, the therapist will arrange a home visit for evaluation purposes. If the patient is accepted into the program, a regular weekly home visitation schedule is established. Parents are required to be present so they can carry out treatments between visits by the therapists.

**Help us do more for Florida kids.**

With your monthly gift, we will continue providing life-changing experiences for Florida children and their families.

To learn more about Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services, planned giving, becoming a sustaining donor and how you can help change the lives of Florida kids, please visit our website or call us today!

**We are so grateful for your support!**

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Patients are seen weekly for six months. Much time and effort on the part of the therapist are necessary to formulate goals with the family’s input based on the child’s needs. At the end of the six months, the therapist assists in the process to transition the child from our program and offers recommendations for any community resources.

Our History
The Florida Elks have a long history of providing rehabilitative services to needy children in Florida. In 1933, the Florida State Elks Association accepted the donation of a hotel in Umatilla, Fla., and turned the facility into the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children. This unique facility offered free treatment to Florida children who suffered from orthopedic diseases and disabilities. During the next 66 years, the name of the hospital changed several times and it occupied three different locations.

As care for orthopedic patients evolved, and after providing quality health-care services for free to tens of thousands of children, the Elks decided to provide services in a different manner. Wanting to continue to serve children’s needs, a new program of in-home physical and occupational therapy commenced March 1, 1999.

Today, we cover most of Florida’s 67 counties with 28 full-time therapists. Since the inception of Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services, we have treated over 9,000 children and driven nearly one million miles!