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# **HISTORY**

Hutton Settlement Children's Home started as one man's dream and became a reality. Hutton Settlement was founded by L.W. Hutton in 1919. Hutton was an orphan himself, and always dreamed of creating a home for children that was more like a family and less like an institution.

L.W. Hutton's roots were humble - at age 18, after a childhood of being shuffled between relatives, he headed west to seek his fortune and worked in the logging industry in California and Oregon before heading north to Idaho, eventually becoming a railroad engineer.

After several years with the Northern Pacific Railroad he was sent to Wardner Junction, Idaho (now Kellogg) to drive an ore train into the mining country. This move was L.W.'s first experience with the vast and beautiful Idaho Panhandle mining country. It was in Wardner Junction that L.W. met his wife, May Arkwright, who owned and operated a boarding house where L.W. ate most of his meals. The two married soon after meeting.

In 1895 the Hutton's invested in a share of the Hercules Mine with no guarantee of any return. After pouring money and hard work into their "hole in the ground," they hit the jackpot in June 1901, finding a solid vein of the richest silver ore that had been discovered up to that time in the Coeur d'Alene Mining District.

As millionaires, day-to-day life for the Hutton's changed, but their philanthropic spirit remained intact. In 1919, with the help of child welfare advocates and the top architects of the day, L.W. Hutton turned his dream of a home for children into a reality and Hutton Settlement Children's Home was born.



Early Hutton photos: (clockwise from bottom left) the Hutton's outside the Hercules Mine, Babe Ruth's visit to the Hutton campus and L.W. Hutton with some of Hutton Settlement's first residents.

#### WHO WE ARE

Hutton Settlement is a home for children and a long-term alternative to foster care.

#### **OUR MISSION**

Hutton Settlement Children's Home nurtures, educates and prepares children who are in need of a safe and healthy home.

#### **OUR VISION**

Through excellence in residential care and family engagement, Hutton Settlement Children's Home will empower each child to lead an independent life of value and contribution.

#### **OUR VALUES**

- A safe home and family
- Relationships of compassion & respect
- Hope and wholeness through opportunity



Master Gardener volunteer, Clancy, teaching the kids the art of gardening.

#### WHAT WE DO

We provide safe and healthy living opportunities for children, ages 5 to 18, in need of an alternative home. We work in partnership with families to provide the best possible resources and environment for children in our care.

#### NUMBER OF STAFF

25

# NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN RESIDENCE

32

### **OUR SERVICE AREA**

We are located in the Spokane Valley, however we serve children who come to us from throughout the country.

#### **OUR AFTER CARE**

We have a staff member assigned to provide ongoing case management to our alumni ages 18-24. We have alumni housing on site for those in need and we provide assistance to all Hutton children and alumni, whether 5 or 50. We provide a forever family to children who pass through our doors.



1st Annual Be Fit To Serve Race at Hutton, June 2016

# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2016**



#### **JOURNEYS**

During the summer Bria from Lokahi Dance Studio came out and taught hip-hop. The children learned about the history and culture where hip-hop originated from. They also learned different dance techniques and finished the summer by performing a choreographed routine in the gym. Being able to express creativity through hip-hop provided confidence, high energy, and overall FUN!

Another piece that Journeys has added is Culinary Arts. Working with members in S.A.L.U.T.E., they've come together to work in the kitchen to perfect our homemade pizza dough and sauce! They also went to many different restaurants around the Spokane area to get a better idea on what it is like to own and operate a restaurant.

The children also worked on sandal making and sewed tote bags.

#### S.A.L.U.T.E.

Every Wednesday during the summer, S.A.L.U.T.E. prepared and cooked a campus-wide brunch. We harvested food from our garden and made a variety of different meals. From crapes, pancakes, and scones we utilized most of our own resources to provide a hearty and healthy brunch for everyone!

S.A.L.U.T.E. also harvested over 60 pounds of food and donated it to the Women's and Children's Free Kitchen and the Union Gospel Mission Men's Shelter.



#### **ODYSSEY**

Some of our club members went to Bend, Oregon for a week of camping in the dry desert to build a hermitage. During the week, they wired and insulated, finished the kitchen and completed part of the bathroom. They also built two decks. To top the week off, they went sturgeon fishing in the Columbia River. They caught six sturgeons one of them being 64 inches long!

Team Trek was for our 15 and older youth. We traveled to Westport, Washington and explored camping in the great outdoors. We had a very busy week driving to the Olympic National Forest and backpacked the Gray Wolf Trail Head. Our campsite had a great river to fly fish. Additionally, we enjoyed a kayak and snorkeling tour in the Puget Sound!

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