



## Bulverde Children's Home Pool Needs Repairs


### Pool At St. Jude's Ranch For Children 'Worn Out'

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**BULVERDE, Texas** -- The St. Jude's Ranch for Children in Bulverde is home to about 38 abused, abandoned or neglected children, and ranch officials said they need assistance in repairing their swimming pool. Otherwise, it might be a long, hot summer for them.

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"It's just worn out," said Dennis Kuyrkendall, with Canyon Creek Pools, "It's a fiberglass pool. It's come apart and it's leaked so bad that there's no bottom under it, so we just have to take it all out."

Kuyrkendall, who has been repairing pools for more than 30 years, has offered to fix the pool at cost, which will run about \$45,000, he said.

"We are hoping people will step in and donate," said Erika Curtis, St. Jude's Ranch spokeswoman. "It's important to our children. This is their home, and it's a chance to give our kids something to do other than sit in front of the television in the summer."

The children at St. Jude's Ranch range in age from 5 to 18 years old.

"We all have memories of playing in the pool with our brothers and sisters during the summer," said Curtis. "Especially in this heat, we would love to be able to provide a fun place to play. I think it would mean happiness for them and a wonderful summer."

The pool, which has been out of commission for the past several months, could be fixed as early as the end of June, if the needed money is raised, Curtis said.

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