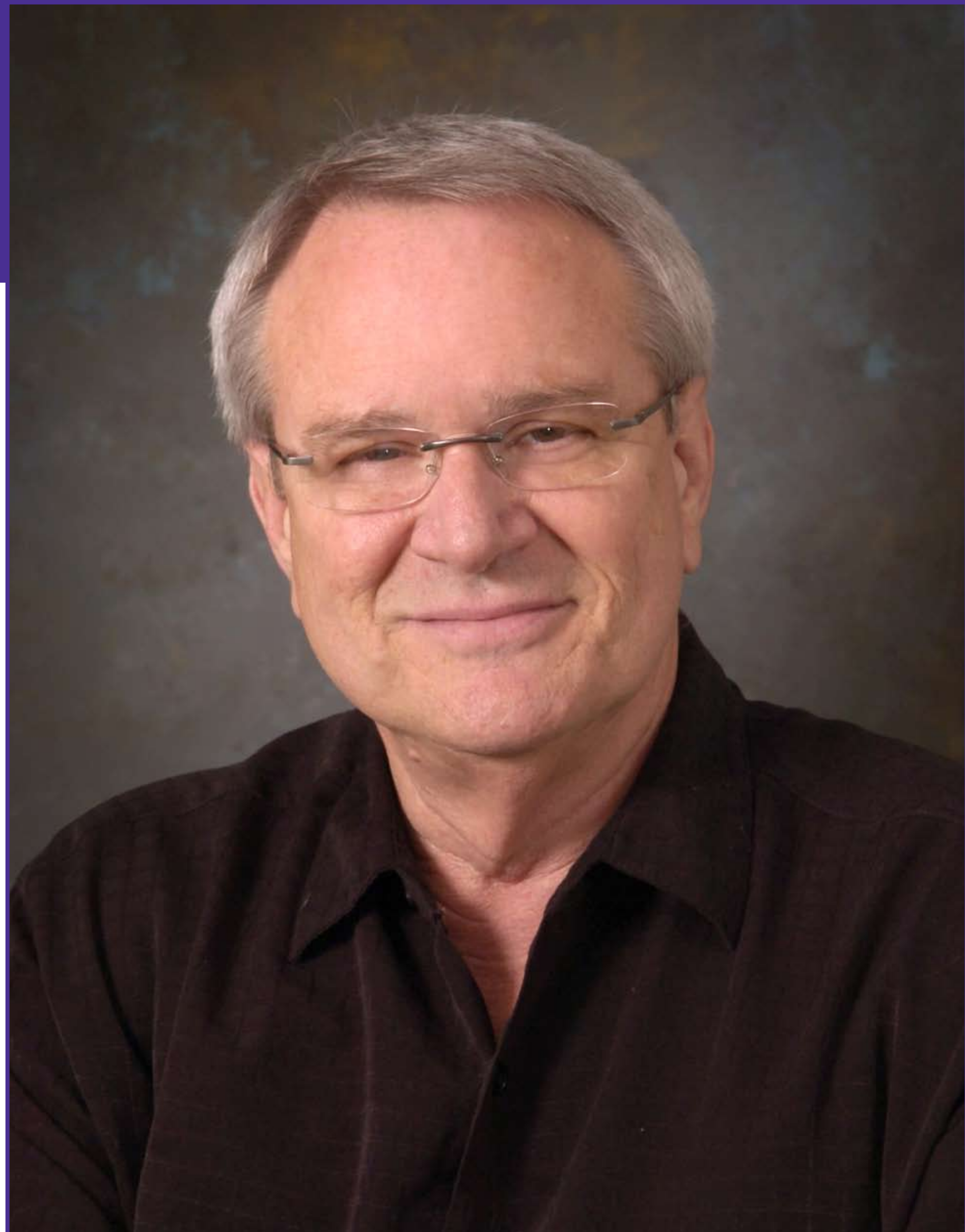


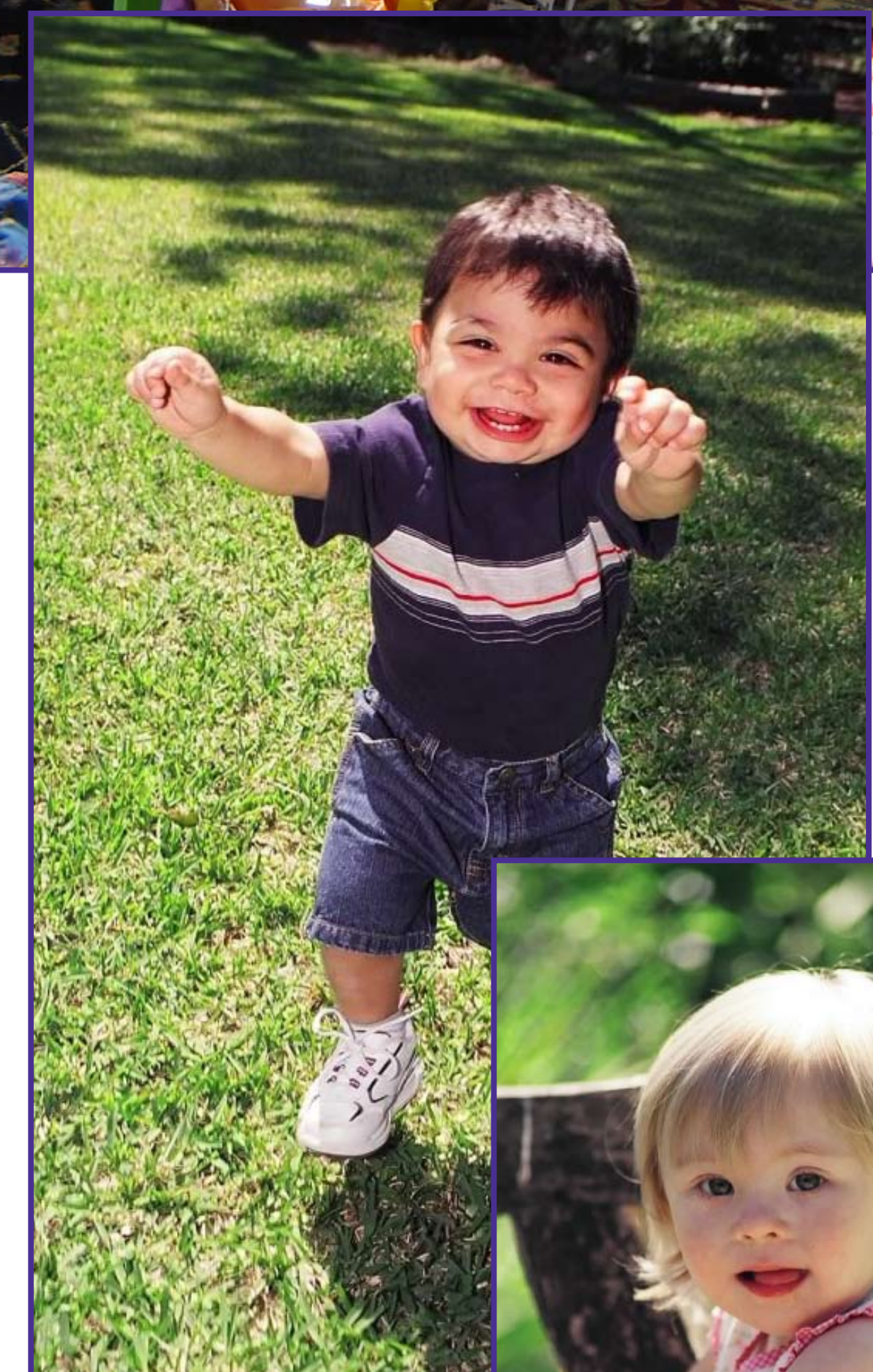
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COMMUNITY HEALTH LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT



William (Bill) Jones

Co-Founder and Associate Director,
CASA DE ESPERANZA DE LOS NIÑOS, INC.



Bill Jones has been improving the lives of countless abused, neglected, abandoned and medically fragile infants and young children, including those affected by drug abuse and HIV/AIDS, for more than two decades. He gives them hope, a home and medical and psychological care, assuring that they can reach their potential as productive citizens in the community.

With only a foster home license and a \$500 donation, he and Kathy Foster founded **Casa de Esperanza de los Niños, Inc.**, in 1982. They rented a house in the Third Ward and with the help of volunteers, began to serve young children who had fallen through the cracks in the social service delivery program. Today, Casa provides assistance to the children of the community through foster care, adoption, after-care and psychological services in nine family-based foster homes.

In 1986, Bill and Kathy founded the first residential program in the nation to provide services to children with HIV, and Casa is the country's longest-standing residential service provider for these children today.