GRANT WILLIAMSON ADOLESCENT CENTER

Healing Garden

Campus
- Opened on August 16, 2004
- Built on 50 acres of land
- Building is 67,000 square feet and includes on-site school, gymnasium, chapel, dining room, community room, fitness center, patient bedrooms and living areas, group rooms, private family visiting lounges, administrative offices, and medical suite
- 78-bed inpatient program provides substance abuse treatment for adolescents 12-18 years of age and their families
- Serves families throughout the Midwest and beyond
- Outpatient programs are also provided

Waterfalls and Ponds
- Large waterfall pumps 1200 gallons of water per minute
- Action of the waterfalls represents life; as the water falls down to the calm surface of the pond you feel and see the serenity of the pond
- Large waterfall and the waterfall in the Kjellstrom Courtyard are both 12 Step waterfalls
- Pond: 13 feet deep in center; averages about 10 feet deep; 4 foot shelf around edge; filled with rain and city water; stocked with koi, blue gill and bass

Garden
- Garden is a natural garden with a Japanese influence
- Encompasses all of the elements of a healing garden
- Built on 5-6 acres of land
- Grounds, including garden, have 1 ½ mile walking path
- No straight lines in the garden
- Materials used for pathway vary to slow down your pace and to encourage you to relax and enjoy the garden; you can feel the changes with your feet and hear the sounds
- Garden is biological: boulders are the bone structure; water is the lifeblood running through the garden
- Garden connects to the human soul
- Serenity Circles: invite you to take time to relax, sit and enjoy the beauty of the garden and find hope and peace in the serenity that surrounds you
Trees, plants and surrounding woods

- Trees: Scotch pines and red maple that border the waterfall provide the major structure of the garden and direction; pines are more than 30 years old and were shipped from Oregon
- Varieties of plant materials in the garden: red bud, burning bush, service berries, oak leaf hydrangeas, azaleas, barberry, Austrian pines, pachysandra, Katsura tree, fringe trees, red maples, Japanese maples, scotch pines, dogwood, winter berries, boxwood, rhododendrons, weeping Alaskan cedars, lilacs, witch hazel, Kentucky coffee trees
- Woods: 18 acres; provides comfort and strength to the garden and those who walk thru it; trees and plants include burning bush, Blackhawk viburnum, wild geraniums, white oak, American elm, ash, American cranberry viburnum, wild ginger, raspberry brambles, red oak, butternut tree, and sugar maple

Design garden work

- Designed and constructed by Kurisu International under the direction of Hoichi Kurisu, one of Japan’s most respected landscape designers
- Firm, located in Portland, Oregon, also designed Anderson Gardens
- Garden built in two phases
- Phase I completed in Fall 2004; Phase II completed in Spring 2006

Boulders

- Secured from a farm in Wisconsin; most of them are more than 2 million years old; large boulder to the right of the waterfall weighs more than 40 tons