



Child Advocacy Center
GIVING A VOICE. NURTURING HOPE.



Mission & Vision

Mission

To support child abuse investigations, provide access to critical services, and raise community awareness to prevent and reduce child abuse and neglect in Southern Missouri.

Vision

A community where justice is accessible, prevention is possible, families are resilient, and children can heal.



E. Walnut Street, Springfield



Garfield Avenue, West Plains

Counties Served

Christian
Dallas
Douglas
Greene
Hickory
Howell
Oregon
Ozark
Polk
Shannon
Taney
Texas
Webster
Wright



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Child Abuse Facts

- CDC reports 1 in 7 children suffer from abuse or neglect in any given year in the USA
- 1 in 10 are sexually abused before they turn 18
- 90% of the time the child knows, trusts, or loves their abuser
- 1 in 7 youths have received a sexual solicitation online via message or the Internet



**“People ask, how can a person abuse a child?
I ask, how can so many “good” people not do anything about it?”**



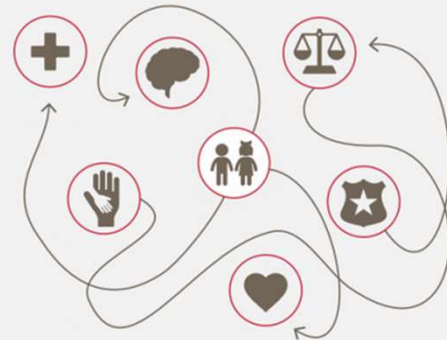
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MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM RESPONSE

- Children's Division
- Law Enforcement
- Juvenile Office
- Child and Family Advocate
- Forensic Interviewer
- Medical Providers
- Mental Health Providers
- Prosecutors Office
- MDT Facilitator

Without CACs



With CACs



TYPES OF VICTIMIZATION

- Physical Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Exploitation & Trafficking
- Child Sexual Abuse Materials
- Drug Endangerment
- Neglect
- Medical Neglect
- Educational Neglect
- Emotional Abuse
- Witness to DV or Violence

SERVICES PROVIDED



ADVOCACY



FORENSIC INTERVIEWS



MEDICAL EXAMS



MENTAL HEALTH



MDT FACILITATION



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

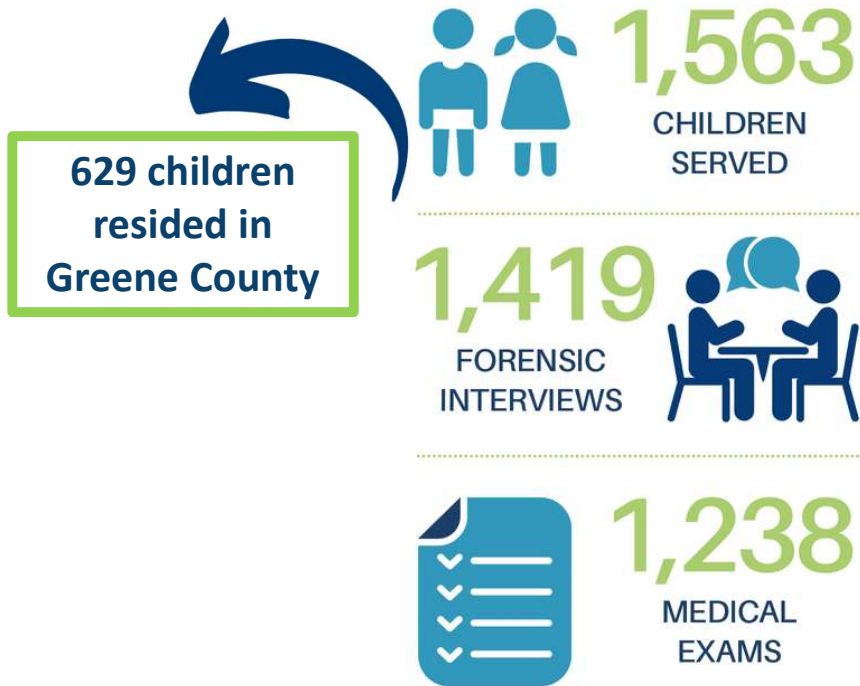


PREVENTION



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OUR 2023 IMPACT



Training, Education, Prevention, and Outreach



1,497 Community
Members



Connected with

6,123
people



3,089 Children
& Youth



792 MDT Members



51 Adults with
Influence



694 Adults Who
Work With Kids
*476 are school personnel

WE CAN MAKE IT BETTER!

- Talk About It
- Teach Safety to Children
- Empower Kids and Adults
- Protective Policies for Youth-Serving Organizations
- Support Social Services and Law Enforcement Agencies
- Report It
- Learn About It

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-ADRIANNE SIMEONE



MO Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-392-3738



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CURRICULUM OFFERINGS

For Adults with Influence



For Adults Working with Kids



Having a Plan:
Receiving a disclosure

Are You Ready?



For Parents & Caregivers



For Children & Youth



STEWARDS OF CHILDREN

Wednesday, September 11th – 12pm to 3pm - Zoom



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Blanket Making

Every child that walks through the door takes home their own blanket and stuffed animal.



Service Project & Events

Keeping our spaces looking good with occasional yard work, deep cleaning, or helping at one of our fundraising events.



Snack & Supply Drives

We go through a lot of snacks and provide Essential care and hygiene items to children.



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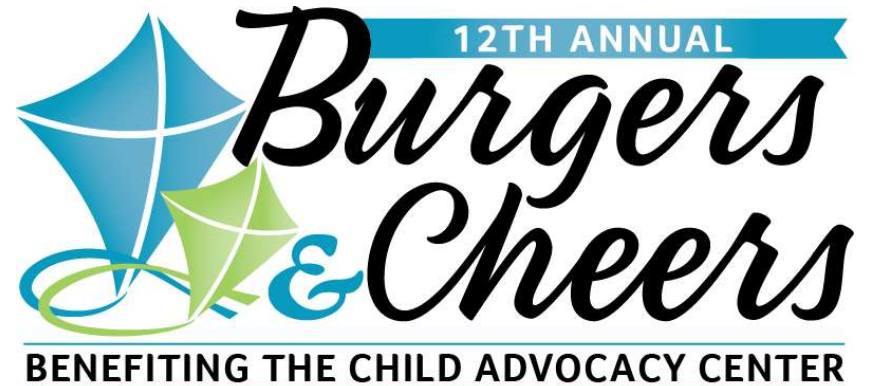


EVENTS

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APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



Enjoy a night of burgers,
cheers, and great music!

BENEFITING THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

09.14.24

6:00PM - 10:00PM

WIRE ROAD

BREWING COMPANY

4453 S TIMBERCREEK AVENUE

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EARLY BIRD \$55*

THRU 8/15

AFTER 8/15 \$65*

*PER PERSON | 21+ ONLY



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