Annual Report 2018-2019

1,409 Total Clients Served

Child

Southeast Alabama

Advocacy

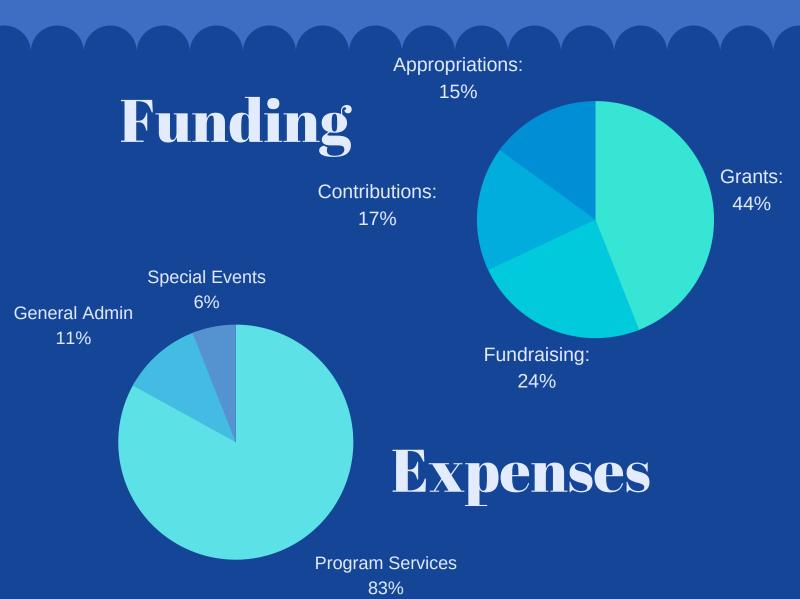
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Our Services

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- 354 Forensic Interviews
- 109 New Therapy Referrals
- 940 Therapy Sessions
- 256 Informational Services
- 3,908 Personal Advocacy Services
- 8,722 Criminal Justice Support Services
- 12,179 Children Educated in Schools
- 31 Trainings and Workshops



Our Message

Dear Friends and Supporters,

2018-2019 marks the 25th year that the Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center has been filling a critical, unique need in our community. Children who have been abused or neglected receive time-sensitive, coordinated services in a child friendly, safe atmosphere. Because of your support, we were here to advocate, listen, and provide services to hundreds of children and their non-offending family members this year. Providing all of our services at no cost to these families is essential and remains a top priority. The children served at the CAC come from all walks of life, but no matter what their story is, their journey to hope and healing begins as soon as they walk through our doors.

As we reflect on the last 25 years and look ahead to the future, one thing is certain. Our work is possible because of the support that we receive from our community. We are grateful to all of those in the Wiregrass who believe that the health and well being of all of our children matters. Your kindness, compassion and generosity is life changing for so many of the most vulnerable members of our community.

On behalf of the CAC staff, Board of Directors, and the children whose lives have been, and will be given hope through our work, thank you for believing in our mission. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of so many children as they travel on their journey to hope and healing.

Terri DuBose, Executive Director

What We Do

Advocacy- The CAC helps children feel comfortable when they come to our Center to talk about their abuse. A victims service worker welcomes them to our safe, child friendly facility. A family advocate coordinates the investigation with our multidisciplinary team members.

Clinical- We assist child victims in processing their abuse. Our Masters level therapists provide crisis intervention, counseling, and support services to children and their non-offending family caregivers through individual, family and group counseling sessions.

Education/Outreach- We teach strategies to help others recognize the problems associated with child abuse and to help them identify individual support systems. We conduct child abuse awareness programs in area schools. We also provide workshops and training opportunities for mandantory reporters and distribute materials about child abuse, trauma, domestic violence, sexting and internet safety.

<u>Our Board</u>

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