



ANNUAL REPORT

2021 - 2022

A word from the executive director:

As I review our annual report, I am immensely proud of the work that the CAC has done in service to the children in our community.

This year brought the addition of new programs to the CAC. We were thrilled to add a Spanish speaking interviewer to our team, and are now able to provide forensic interviews and family advocacy services to those children and family members who have limited English proficiency. We also opened Henry's Closet in February. This resource closet allows our families to shop for necessary items such as diapers, cleaning supplies and hygiene items. All items in the closet are provided through community donations. 2022 also saw the development of our junior board of directors, made up of young professionals with a desire to further our mission by serving as ambassadors of the CAC in our community.

Looking ahead, we are focused on continuing to strengthen our trauma-informed response to child abuse. We have added a child advocate to our team, who will focus on improving access to medical care for children who need those services. We are committed to the ongoing expansion of our outreach and education efforts for our multidisciplinary team members, friends in the faith communities, and learners of all ages in local schools and community groups. As always, we are grateful for so many in our community who support our work. The generosity of our donors, community-minded corporate partners, private foundations, and government funders enable us to remain focused on supporting our children on their journeys to justice and healing.

With Gratitude,

Terri DuBose
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Impact of our services



598
CHILDREN SERVED



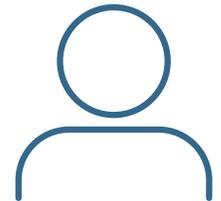
Forensic Interviews

350



Victim Advocacy

7,522



New Therapy Clients

98



Trauma-Focused
Mental Health Sessions

942



Multidisciplinary Team
Case Coordination

18



Criminal Justice
Support Services

3,981



"My daughter felt
safe here."

-Caregiver

"Everyone was caring & friendly. My girls felt as comfortable as possible given the situation. I am thankful for each worker, and for all the services offered, especially the counseling & support throughout the rest of the process!"

-Caregiver

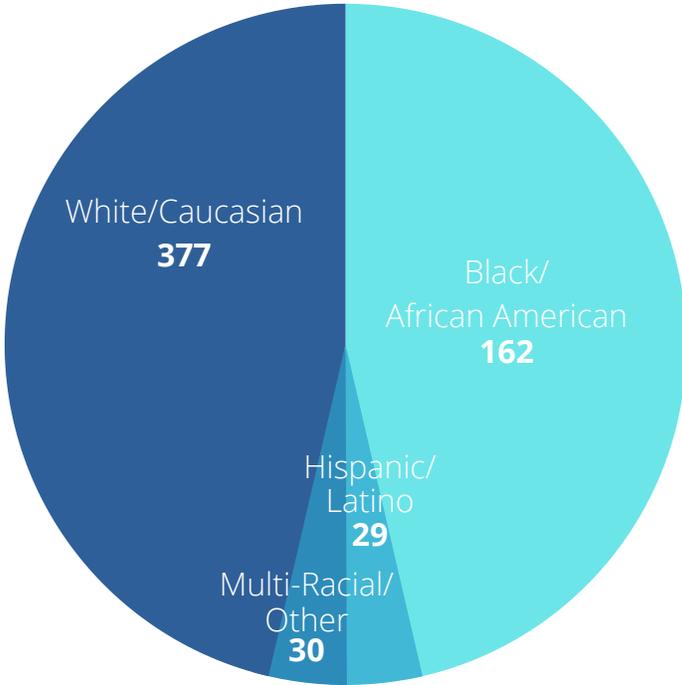


Henry Elton Bertagnolli
CAC Therapy Dog

Who we helped heal



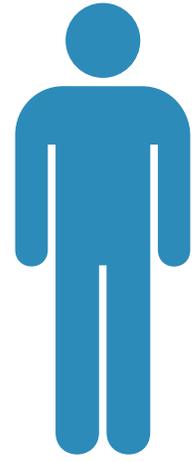
RACE



GENDER



FEMALE
416



MALE
182

How we worked on preventing

PREVENTION EDUCATION & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

"The staff at the Child Advocacy Center are extremely "user friendly" and make my job as a Law Enforcement Investigator so much easier. It is an absolute pleasure being a member of a Team that works so well together. The CAC Staff go out of their way to assist in cases that are difficult enough to start with. Last minute changes and "surprises" don't phase the CAC staff, they roll with it and adapt to the situation. It is an honor to be part of the CAC Team."

-Pete Markow, Criminal Investigator
Geneva County Sheriff's Office



Students Educated in local schools
(11,520)



Collaboration Meetings



MDT Annual Training



Facility Tours (18)



Resource Fair/Tabling Events



Social Media Reach (7,000)

Financials



FUNDING:

Appropriations - 12%
Grants - 40%
Fundraising - 20%
Contributions - 28%

EXPENSES:

Advocacy Services - 70%
General Admin - 11%
Special Events - 19%



"Donating to the community is very important to Dothan Coca Cola United and then to be associated with the Child Advocacy Center who carries the same core values of excellence, respect, integrity and quality as we do. It is an honor to be aligned with such a tremendous and giving organization."

-Neil Guess, Dothan Coca Cola United

Meet the Team

CAC STAFF:



Jennifer Kennedy, Victim Services Advocate
Lynette Robles-Mena, Bilingual Forensic Interviewer
Savannah Taylor, Forensic Interviewer
William McKissic, Education Advocate
Laura Bertagnolli, Therapist

Aline Mays-Easley, Therapist
Terri DuBose, Executive Director
Laurabeth Thomas, Community Advocate
Grace Geisler, MDT Coordinator
Madison Hobbs, Children's Advocate

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Mike Martin, President

Karen Morris, Vice President

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Scott Applefield

Neil Guess

Melanie Cotter, PhD

Deborah Crawford

Emily Darnell

Sarah Germanson, MD

Member at Large, Ron Watts

Ken Lane

Ellen Lee

Trevor Parrish

Bob Sanders

Keith Saulsberry

Carolyn West

Want to help?



A caring and supportive community is required to make a lasting impact in the lives of children. Many options are available for you to step in and join us in our mission to keep the children in our community safe, and be the soft place to land when they are harmed. Here's how you can help:

- Report suspected child abuse to 1-800-252-5400
- Make a tax-deductible donation to our center
- Volunteer
- Attend our events
- Host a third-party event
- Donate in-kind gifts or services
- Request a training
- Use Amazon Smile and designate our center as the beneficiary
- Follow us on social media (Facebook & Instagram)



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