



CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER, INC.

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Together, breaking the cycle of child abuse



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A Message from the President/CEO

Dear Friends,

In 2021, so many supporters just like you came together to support the mission of the Child Advocacy Center (CAC). Our mission to break the cycle of abuse and neglect of children in Alachua county would not be possible without YOU. The time, energy, and resources you have provided led to great program outcomes in every CAC department the past year and more importantly, better outcomes for children!

It's been amazing to witness what has been accomplished throughout the transitional year of 2021. We served 2,101 child victims of abuse and 1,710 of their caregivers – 3,811 people affected by child abuse. Of the children we served, 42 were survivors of human trafficking and 24 were survivors of child pornography. Our staff members were called out 176 times to provide emergency services. 335 children and caregivers were served after hours. Our therapists provided 6,230 therapy sessions, our interviewers provided 233 forensic interviews and our advocates provided 21,840 advocacy services.

This year, we continued to adjust to the many changes created by COVID-19. Two of our signature events, the Slacker Run and Gainesville Gone New Orleans, previously held online, were able to safely take place in person allowing us to exceed our fundraising goals for each!

Every day at the CAC there are moments filled with hope and joy. On a typical afternoon, the halls are filled with soft white noise that you would expect to hear outside therapists' offices, as well as laughter, squeals of delight, and an occasional "Whoa!" after a crash from a block tower falling. Children come to the CAC, excitedly ring the doorbell and often shout their therapists' names because of how excited they are to see them. YOU have helped make the CAC a child friendly, safe space for children to heal.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Child Advocacy Center, thank you for your continued support of the CAC and all of the ways you help children in our community. We look forward to having you all at our grand opening celebration in 2022!

With Gratitude,



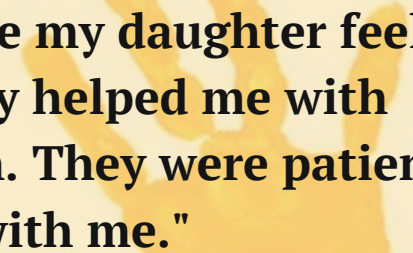
Sherry Kitchens, Ed.S., LMFT
President/CEO




What Caregivers Appreciate




"Not feeling like we did something wrong"




"They made my daughter feel safe. They helped me with information. They were patient with me."



"Making my child feel at ease"



"I had the chance to tell someone else how I felt and I appreciate them listening."



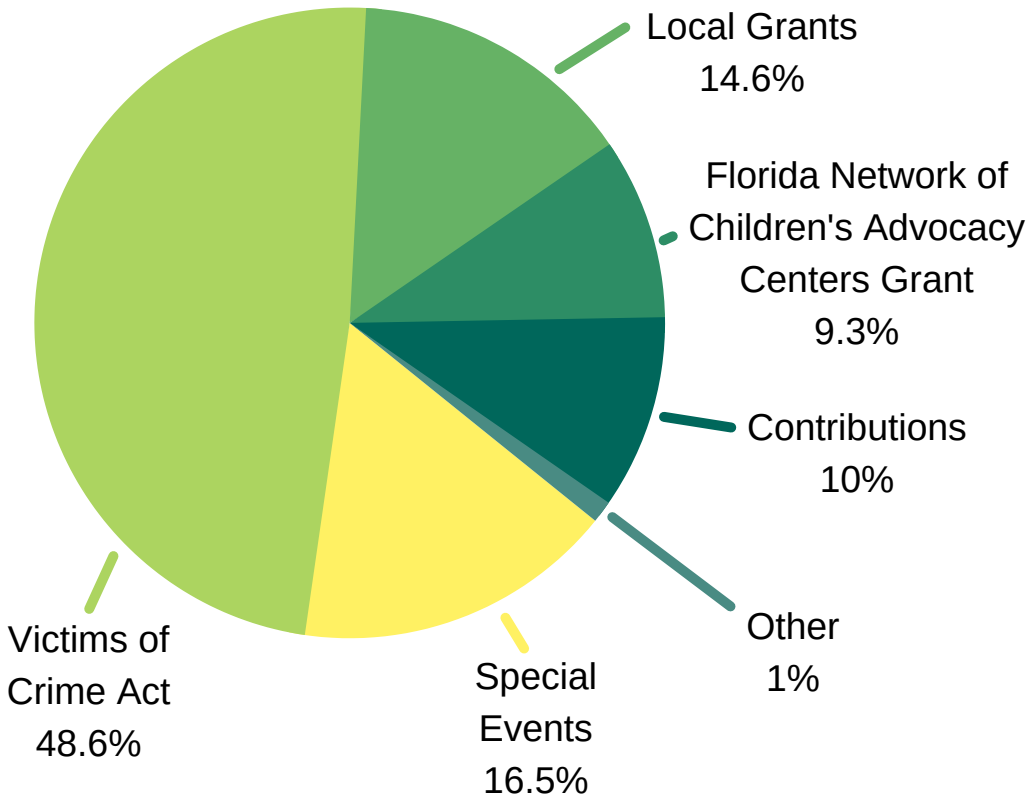
"I appreciate the empathy and compassion received from everyone I spoke to."



The empathy and compassion.

DOLLARS & CENTS

Funding Sources



Expenses

Program	\$1,125,135.36	84%
Management & Fundraising	\$220,964.04	16%
Totals	\$1,346,099.40	100%

The Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance recommends that organizations spend at least 65% of their total expenses on program activities: the CAC spends 82%.

The Child Advocacy Center is a registered charitable organization with the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the division of consumer services by calling 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352).

Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state. Additional financial information including the Form 990 can be found online at www.cacgainesville.org/media

MISSION

A comprehensive, child-friendly facility where professionals from law enforcement, medical, child protection and therapeutic services effectively collaborate to meet the individual needs of child victims and break the cycle of abuse.

2021 STAFF

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