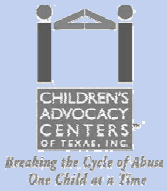




CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF CENTRAL TEXAS



2010 ANNUAL REPORT



The mission of the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas is to provide comprehensive services which protect, promote healing and enhance the quality of life for abused and neglected children in Central Texas through Children's Advocacy Center and Court Appointed Special Advocates programs.



Children should be the embodiment of innocence and our hope for the future. Every child should have the right to grow up in an environment that protects that innocence and provides care and hope. Unfortunately, everyday in our community children are being abused and traumatized. These young victims need collaborative services that enhance hope and restore healing. The CAC and CASA programs do just that. These child focused programs offer highly effective and necessary intervention, which help children and families heal and improves the outcomes of these very difficult cases.

**UNFORTUNATELY,
I AM ONE OF MANY.**

**We cannot change what happened,
but we can change what happens next.**

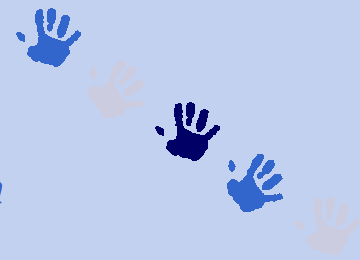
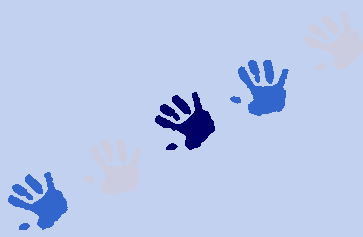
I was afraid to tell what happened because I thought I would get in trouble. When I came here I was able to tell and I feel better. My counselor helped me to learn to stop having scary dreams and to feel safe.

– 9 year old female

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CAC & CASA Services Change Lives, And Create Hope And Healing When Only Despair Has Been Known.

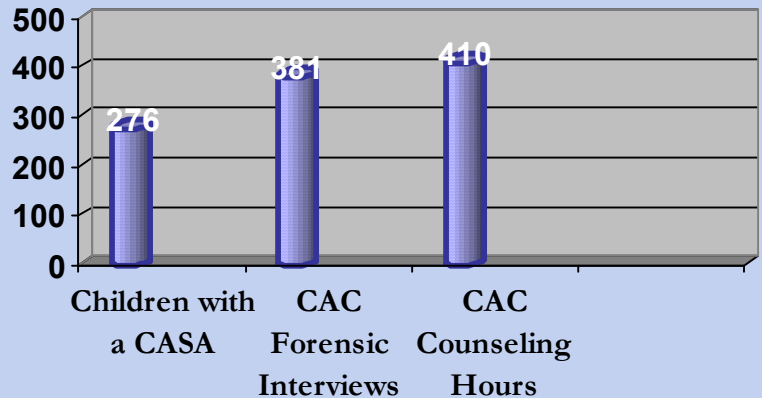
Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) 381 CHILDREN SERVED IN 2010

- ◆ **Forensic Interviews:** Provide a neutral, safe, and child friendly environment for child abuse victims to receive services. The program provides trained interviewers specializing in taking abuse allegation statements from children using a non-leading technique. Trained forensic interviewers help to provide a more accurate and consistent account of the abuse from the child victim.
- ◆ **Multidisciplinary Case Review Teams:** The MDT meets regularly to discuss all referred cases residing in Bell/Coryell counties. The team consists of staff, CPS, law enforcement, prosecutors, victim advocates, medical, and therapeutic personnel. The team's goal is to coordinate and collaborate investigations and services to child abuse victims.
- ◆ **Family Advocacy and Referral:** All non-offending family and child victims receive support by our Family Advocate. Information, resources, and referrals are available to assist them through a very traumatic and difficult time.
- ◆ **Mental Health Counseling, Referral and Support Groups:** One of the most important factors in healing trauma is counseling. Our Mental Health program focuses on children and their families who may not otherwise participate in counseling. We offer support and treatment groups for both victims and their non-offending caregivers. In 2010, we will partner with Tyson's Corner Ranch in Lampassas to provide Equine group therapy to girls who have been sexually abused.

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) 278 CHILDREN SERVED IN 2010

- ◆ **Training Community Volunteers:** Specialized training is provided to community volunteers who wish to advocate for children through the court system. Once trained and sworn in, the volunteers accept a case in which a child has been removed from their home due to abuse or neglect. Their role is to be the child/children's voice in court and ensure every child has a safe, loving and PERMANENT home. Often the CASA worker is the only consistent, positive person in the child's life throughout their time in foster care.
- ◆ **Casework:** In addition to training and supervising community volunteers, CASA staff also work cases in which children have been removed from their home due to abuse or neglect. Again, their goal is to speak for the child's best interest in court and advocate for a **safe, loving and PERMANENT home.**

CACCT SERVICES 2010



What our clients had to say!

My child and I felt safe and protected here. The helps is greatly needed and very much appreciated. Thank you so much.

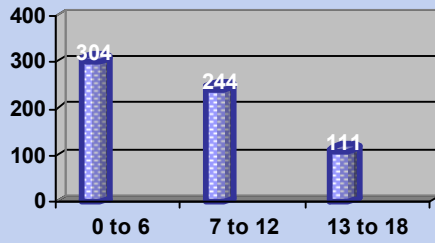
Very comfortable, peaceful, a great spirit of care. I am so glad there is an agency like this for our kids and the help that is offered. Please keep support of this center.

I believe the staff really was here to help us through our situation. They really genuinely care and I appreciate their services. Thanks so much.

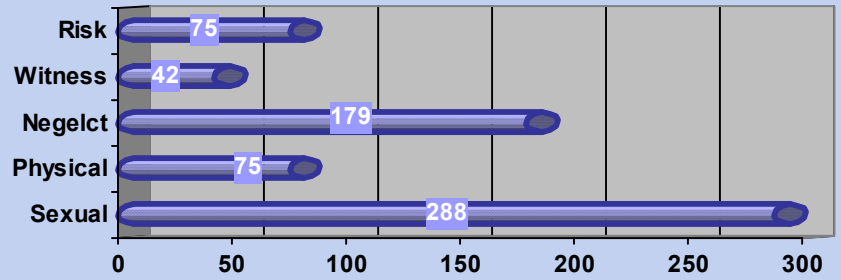


CACCT SERVED 659 CHILDREN IN 2010

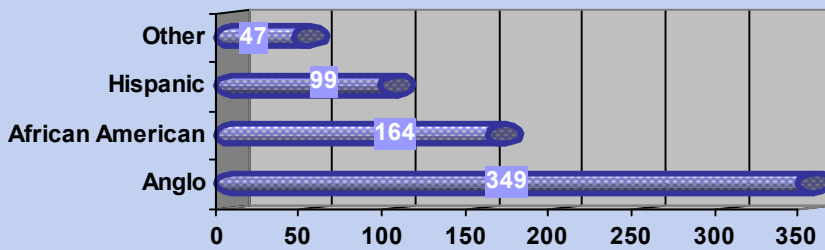
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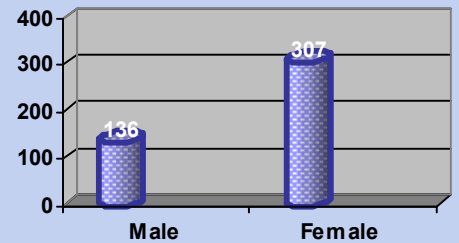
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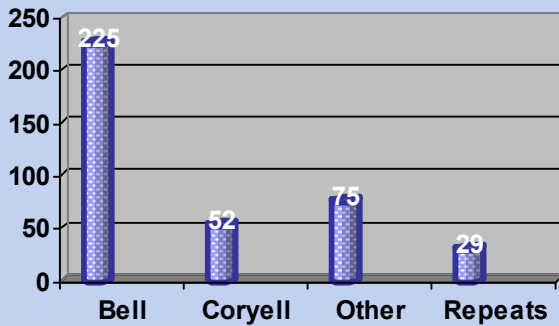
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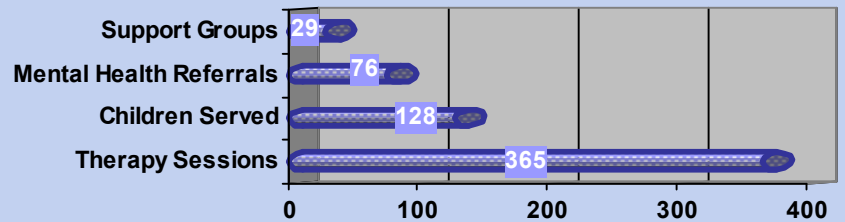
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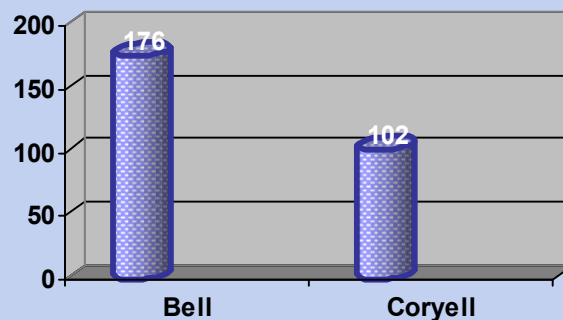
CAC FORENSIC INTERVIEWS



MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



CASA CHILDREN SERVED





OUR CASA VOLUNTEERS: THANK YOU FOR BEING A HERO IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD!

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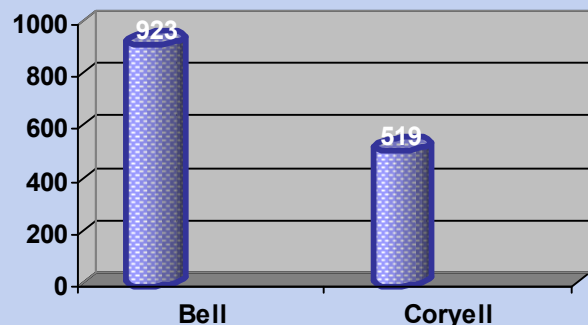
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CASA VOLUNTEER HOURS



“I feel blessed to be a CASA Volunteer. As a CASA you have a profound opportunity to change the course of a child’s life for the better. A responsibility that should never be taken lightly. When dealing with parents/family members of children in care, instead of judging, I try to empower them to change the cycle.”



From the Desk of the Executive Director, Michelle Farrell

What an exciting, busy and challenging year 2010 was. Our staff, board of directors and volunteers have worked tirelessly, embarked on new ideas and continued to show their commitment and dedication to the well being, protection and care of the vulnerable children in our community. The past year the agency provided much needed services to 659 Central Texas children and their families. Hope was restored, trauma healed, families reunified, and perpetrators prosecuted. None of this would be possible for these children without that commitment of our staff and board, and most importantly the support of a wonderful community. We are well aware without those things we cannot continue our mission and be the conduit for change for our child victims and their families.

All of us together can make a difference for our children and our community. You can help:

Stand Up: make a contribution to the CACCT, contact you legislator and send a message that our community is committed to the protection and care of our children, and lastly volunteer and make a difference in the life of a child.

Speak Up: Get educated on the issue of child abuse, and share what you know with others. Visit www.onewithcourage.org, www.darkness2light.com or our website www.cacct.com for the facts and speak up loudly that child abuse is tragic and unnecessary!

Children truly are the perfect victims, they cannot protect themselves. Victims only course of action is to tell someone, and child victims are actually more likely to protect the abuser than to accuse. So when they do tell, the CACCT is there to provide hope, courage and healing. So, Stand Up and Speak Up, if we don't do it, no one will. Thank you again for your compassion and generosity which helps us to continue our important mission.



A Note from the Board President

As a prosecutor, the Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas and the services of the center are an integral part of the successful prosecution of child abuse and child sexual abuse cases. The CAC provides a comprehensive interview without causing undue trauma to the children being interviewed. The counseling and referral services provided after the interview can help a child prepare for the court procedures that will follow. As a board member, I have seen how the services of the CAC and CASA can promote healing in our community's most vulnerable victims and advocate for their well-being. It is important we continue to support the efforts of the agency and stand up for a child today.

Stephanie Newell
Bell County Assistant District Attorney

Child Abuse in Texas, 2010:

1 out of every 100 Texas children was a victim of abuse and/or neglect.

Every 8 minutes, a child in Texas was a victim of abuse and/or neglect

Every month, 19 children DIED as a result of abuse or neglect. 59 % of those children were infant to 6 years old.

42,890 children were in the care of the State. More than half, 22,000 children did not have a CASA advocate as the made their scary journey through foster care.

6,026 children were waiting for adoption.

BE THE ONE...REPORT ABUSE

Texas Family Code (261.01) states that a person having cause to believe that a child's physical or mental health welfare has been or may be adversely affected by abuse or neglect must report immediately. Failure to report is punishable by imprisonment for up to 180 days and/or a fine up to \$ 2,000. You can make an anonymous report.

TO REPORT CHILD ABUSE CALL:

1-800-252-5400 Online: txabusehotline.org

Or contact your local law enforcement

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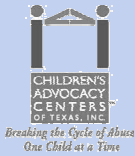
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For additional information, please call 254.939.2946, ext. 4



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What you do for yourself dies with you, but what you do for others lives on.

I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, Or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, Let me do it now, as I shall not pass this way again.

- William Penn



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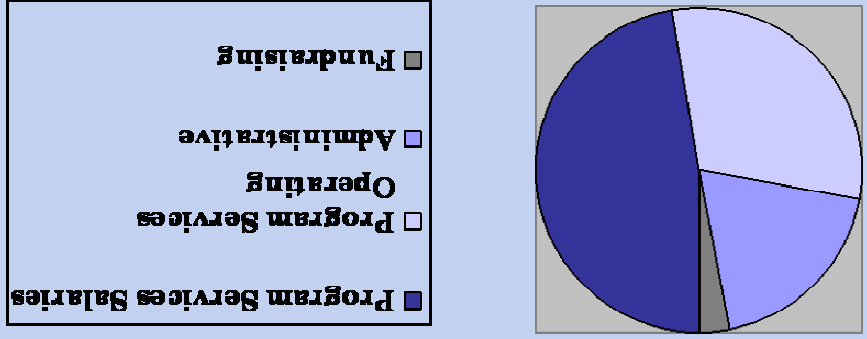
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CACCT EXPENSES FY 2009-2010
 \$ 654,265



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 \$ 644,961

