

children's **ADVOCACY** center  
of Hamilton County

**help. hope. healing.**

Annual Report 2011-2012



# HELP

The CACHC has served 8,387 alleged child abuse victims and conducted over 6,500 community education sessions since 1991.



The CACHC is accredited by the National Children's Alliance and serves the following counties in Tennessee: Hamilton, Bledsoe, Franklin, Grundy, Marion, Rhea, and Sequatchie.

# HOPE

The CACHC relies on community support to fulfill our mission. Each year, many individuals and businesses help us provide services to abused children. More than 100 volunteers provided 860 hours of service during the 2011-2012 fiscal year. Others provided monetary help through corporate sponsorships, annual fund donations, and attending our special events. On behalf of the children and staff, thank you for believing in the work we do each day.

## How Dollars Buy Real Hope

- \$100 covers the cost of educating a group of children about Body Safety.
- \$250 helps one child tell their story to a forensic interviewer and begin the healing process in a safe place.
- \$500 provides four therapy sessions to help a child recover and heal from pain of sexual abuse.
- \$1000 allows a child to begin the journey from intervention to healing by providing team coordination, medical evaluation, counseling, and family advocacy.



# HEALING

## 563 CHILDREN WERE SERVED LAST YEAR

- 528 children received forensic interviews.
- 151 medical examinations were performed at the CACHC.
- 48 children received 341 therapy sessions and their supportive parents/guardians received an additional 322 sessions.
- 351 non-offending parents/guardians received family advocate services.
- 4,559 children and 3,857 adults received community education programs.



**THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER  
OF HAMILTON COUNTY  
IS DEDICATED TO SERVING  
THOSE AFFECTED BY ALLEGED  
CHILD ABUSE OR  
NEGLECT BY OFFERING  
**HELP, HOPE, AND HEALING.****

## **Child Abuse Statistics**

It is estimated that **1 OUT OF EVERY 4 CHILDREN** will be sexually abused by the age of 18.

**IN 90% OF ABUSE CASES**, children are abused by someone they know...not strangers.

**ONLY 1 OUT OF EVERY 5** child abuse cases are ever reported.

Abused children who do not receive help experience higher rates of **SUBSTANCE ABUSE, DYSFUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS, TEEN PREGNANCIES, AND PROSTITUTION.**

**Child Abuse Hotline  
1.877.54.ABUSE**

The thought of an innocent child being abused is horrifying. The CACHC has spent 21 years providing help, hope, and healing so alleged victims can return to being healthy and happy kids.

The Department of Children's Services, District Attorney's Office, Law Enforcement, Children's Hospital at Erlanger, Juvenile Court, and the CACHC **collaborate, investigate, and intervene.**

Non-traumatic, **legally defensible forensic interviews** are conducted so children don't have to relive their victimization as they tell their story over and over again to strangers.

**Medical exams** are offered on-site, eliminating long waits in an emergency room.

Licensed Clinical Social Workers provide **specialized counseling and emotional care** for child abuse victims.

A family advocate offers **emotional support** to non-offending caregivers and assists them in accessing victim's compensation funds.

**Community training and educational programs** focus on abuse prevention, early intervention, and breaking the cycle of abuse.

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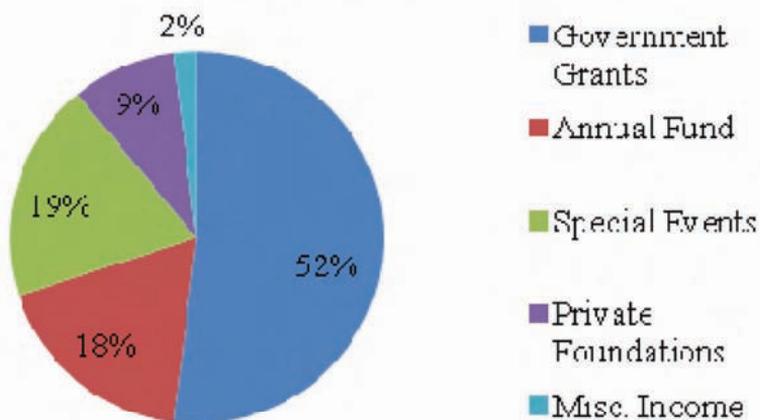
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