

# Annual Report 2017-2018



**Children's Advocacy Center**  
— **31st Judicial District** —

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### **Mission Statement**

Children's Advocacy Center for the 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial District delivers exceptional services to victims of severe child abuse. Our team directly reduces the trauma from abuse, through our provision of a well-coordinated multi-disciplinary investigation. We vigorously fight to break the cycle of child abuse by providing prevention services through education.

### **Vision Statement**

All children in the 31st Judicial District shall be safe, families strengthened, victims healed from trauma, and offenders held accountable.

### **The goals of our Children's Advocacy Center are:**

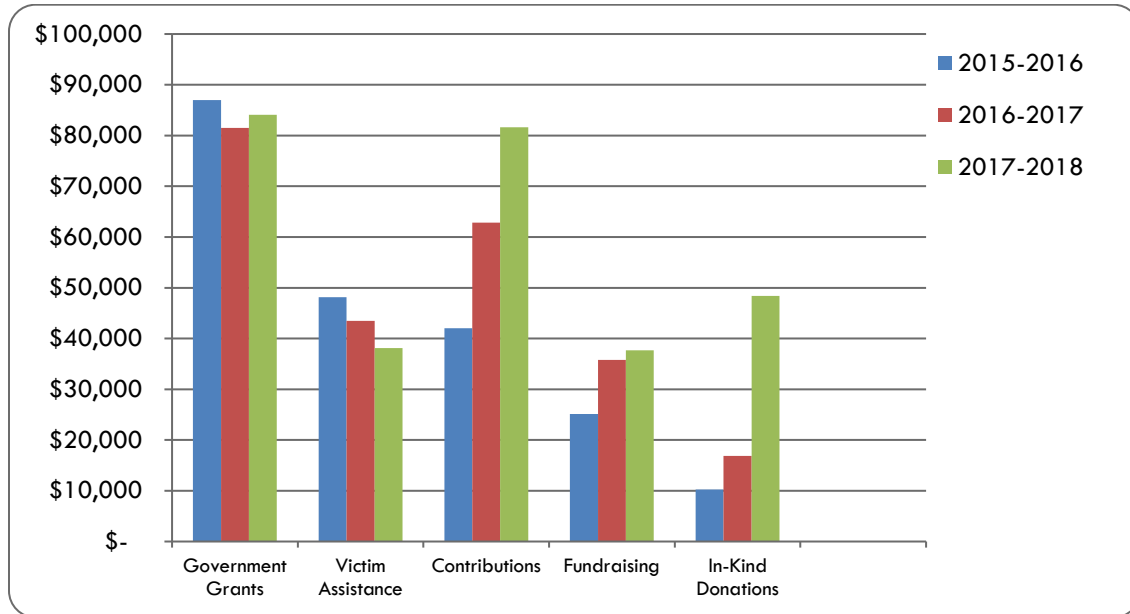
- Help the victims of severe child abuse and their-non-offending caregivers learn to better cope with their victimization.
- Combine the vast experience and professional knowledge of our Child Protective Investigative Team members to provide a comprehensive and effective response to all child abuse allegations.
- Use an intervention method that is considerate of the individuality of each case and focuses primarily on the needs of the abused child and their non-offending caregivers.
- Educate all school children in Warren and Van Buren on personal body safety and recommend people so they may seek help.
- Educate our citizens that child abuse affects our community in its entirety and that prevention education, awareness and cooperation is the only way to minimize the consequences.



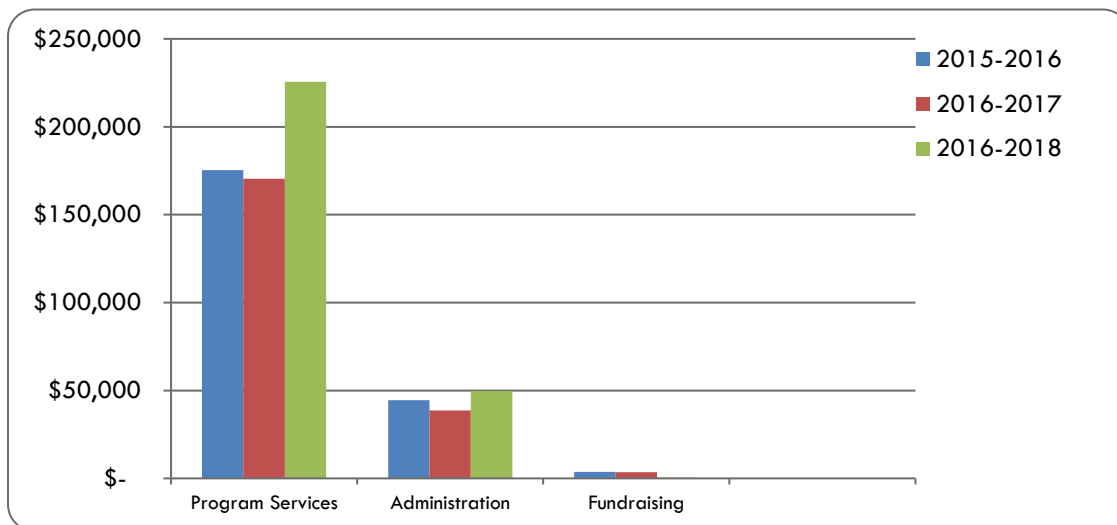
## Financial Review

Every child abuse victim who receives our direct services does so totally free from charge. We are financially dependent upon grants, corporate contributions, and the generosity of others.

### Revenue and Support



### Program and Support Expenses



*Copies of our annual audited Financial Statements are available upon request.*

## **2017-2018 Program Outcomes**

- 649 Reports of child maltreatment to the Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline (calendar year 2017)
- 171 Cases referred to CAC31
- 145 Forensic Interviews of suspected child abuse victims and/or witnesses
- 215 Individual Trauma-Focused Therapy Sessions
- 1730 Victim-Family Advocacy Interactions
- 101 Crisis Counseling
- 29 Criminal Justice Support and Advocacy Cases
- 102 Information and Referrals to Community Resources
- 96 Criminal Compensation Education and Assistance
- 12 Child Protective Investigative Team Case Review meetings and 4 whole team trainings
- 5 Cases referred for Prosecution
- 384 Children received “Back to School” Supplies
- 10 Community Events for Prevention Education or Awareness Training
- 6358 Children received personal body safety education through classroom interaction and assembly presentations
- 115 additional adults were educated as Stewards of Children
- 444 Warren & Van Buren County School and Medical Personnel were provided continuing education
- 110 Warren & Van Buren County Pre-K Parents were educated in Child Abuse Prevention



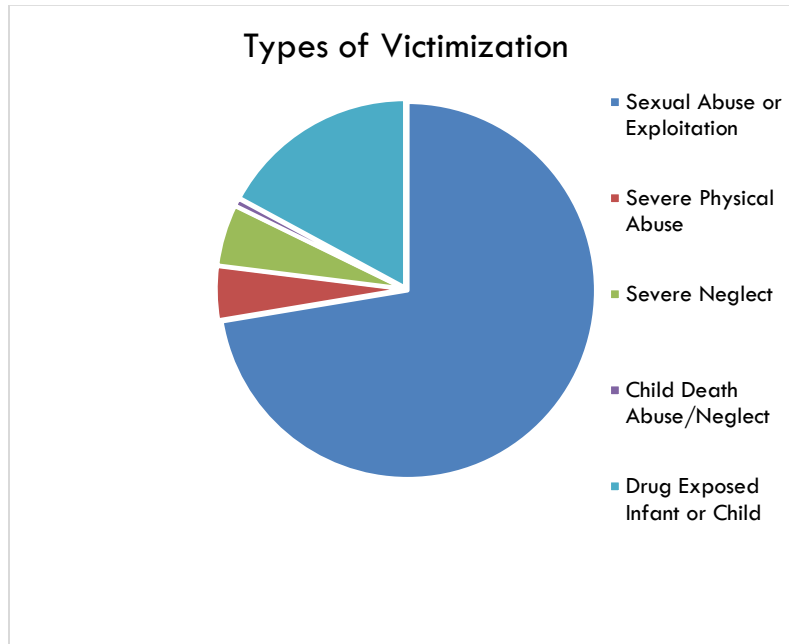
## **Measuring Results**

The following information is obtained through voluntary participation in Client Surveys, Child Investigative Protective Team Surveys and Pre/Post School Program Evaluations.

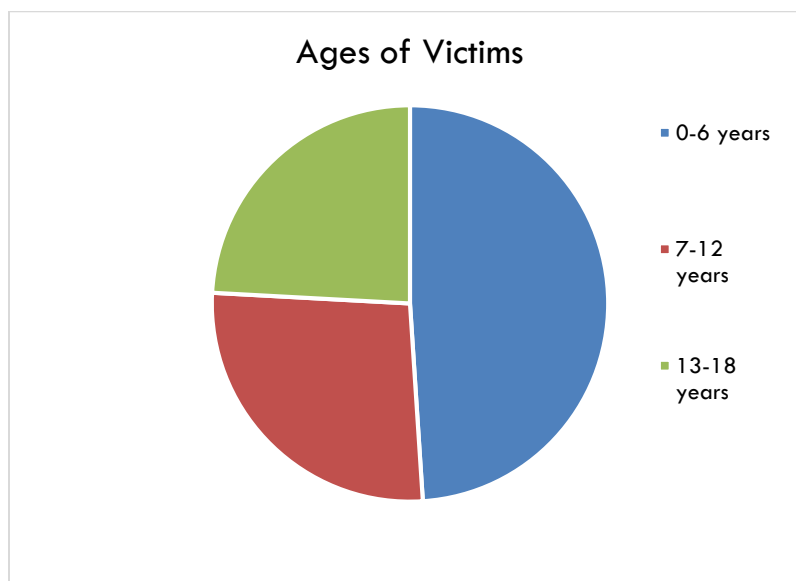
- Caregivers and children feel safe - 95% caregivers strongly agree their children felt safe during their visit to CAC31.
- Caregivers felt informed – 95% caregivers strongly agreed their questions were answered to their satisfaction. 99% caregivers strongly agree they were provided with resources to support their child and respond to his or her needs in the days and weeks ahead. 96% caregivers strongly agree they were provided with information on the various services and programs provided by CAC31.
- 99% Child Investigative Protective Team members agree that the child and family benefits from a collaborative investigation approach.
- Counseling Satisfaction - 98% caregivers strongly agreed the trauma counseling services their child received were beneficial. 98% caregivers strongly agreed if their child needed counseling services, they would return to CAC31.

## **Program Statistics**

During 2017, the Children’s Advocacy Center for the 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial District and our Child Protective Investigative Team partners investigated **649 reports of child maltreatment** within the 31<sup>st</sup> Judicial District. The **171 cases** that were classified as **severe abuse or neglect** were identified as the following:



*92% of the alleged abusers were either relatives or known by the child or family members (non-strangers).*



**OUR TEAM**

**CAC31 Personnel:**

Martha Phillips, Executive Director  
M'Lee Hudgins, Forensic Interviewer  
Robin Cutrell, Family Advocate  
NaKeisha McBride, Prevention Specialist



Department of Children's Services  
District Attorney General  
Haven of Hope of Dekalb  
Juvenile Justice  
McMinnville Police Department  
  
Our Kids Inc.  
Spencer Police Department  
The Ross Center  
Van Buren County Sheriff's Department  
Warren County Sheriff's Department

**2017-2018 Board of Directors:**

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Neva England  
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Erin Scott  
Ray Talbert

**Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT):**

*The CHILD is the reason, the focus, and the purpose of our CPIT!*

**CAC31 TRUST ALLIANCE**

The trust you have placed in the viability of our organization is sincerely gratifying. Our deepest appreciation to each one of our benefactors, your generosity allows us to make a difference in the lives of the children of Warren and Van Buren Counties. We ask that you please continue with your commitment to CAC31, our children need awareness and voices to advocate for their protection.

**Protector's Circle - \$5000+**

Bridgestone – Warren Plant  
 Child Advocacy Centers of Tennessee  
 Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee  
 JCS Community Foundation (Jarden Consumer Solutions)  
 Saint Thomas River Park Hospital  
 State of Tennessee Department of Children's Services  
 The Steve & Kate Smith Foundation  
 The Healing Trust  
 Warren County Tennessee

**Guardian - \$2500+**

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 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Perez  
 Powers Properties  
 Mr. & Mrs. F.R. Searle  
 Walmart #668 McMinnville

**Champion - \$1000+**

Accument Global Technologies Employees  
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 Children's Advocacy Center of Tennessee  
 Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee  
 Gondola Pizza and Steak  
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 The Walmart Foundation  
 United Way of Wilson County & Upper Cumberland  
 Walmart #587 Sparta  
 Ms. Elaine Wilhelm

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 Citizens Tri-County Bank - McMinnville & Spencer  
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 Mr. Jeffery Golden  
 Long Branch Lakes Friends  
 McMinnville Electric System  
 Middle Tennessee Dr Pepper Bottling Company  
 McMinnville Evening Exchange  
 Mt Crest United Methodist Church  
 Ozzy's Lawn Care  
 Pinnacle Orthopaedics  
 Simpson Livestock  
 Thomas and Robert Bratcher, Attorneys  
 Turner Auto Salvage LLC  
 Jacob Webb  
 Womack Printing Company, Inc.

**Patron \$250+**

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Cole Taylor Lawn Care  
Kroger Community Rewards  
Michael & Rhonda Maynard  
Scott & Tracie McCord  
Shoe Sensation

**Angel - \$100+**

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Mr. & Mrs. Don Alexander  
Bill Brock  
Bonner FCE  
Aubrey & Judy Cole  
Hugh & Robin Cutrell  
Ms. Mandy Eller  
Jackie & Larry Elliott  
Ms. Mary Anne Gillespie  
Randal & Christie Gillam  
Ms. Tammie Gribble  
Mr. Jimmy Haley  
Dana Hampton  
Mr. & Mrs. Billy Hawkins  
Mr. & Mrs Dale Humphrey  
Ricky & Shaye Hodge  
Hoover & Sons  
Kidd Ford  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Koch  
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Ozzy & Emily Lopez  
Ms. Molly Mann  
Mike & Lola Martin  
Noon Exchange Club of McMinnville  
Barry Medley  
Junior & Penny Medley

David & Annie Moffitt  
Paul & Connie Moore  
Ms. Eva Lois Moran  
The Mullican Family Trust  
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Perry's Garage  
Steve & Martha Phillips  
Pleasant Cove Church of Christ  
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Miguel & Janice Rodriguez  
Jim & Deb Russell  
Don & Beth Saunders  
Erin Scott  
Bill & Kathleen Schoenig  
Security Federal Savings Bank  
Saul Simpson & Tiffany Cantrell  
Mr. Charles Smith  
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Stewart  
TAFCE Warren County Council  
Mr. Ray Talbert  
Col. Thomas & Betty Vaughn  
Mr. Justin Walling  
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Mr. O.M. Womack



**CAC31 Friends and Community Partners**

1230 WAKI Sports Radio	Donald Hillis Realty & Auction	Rustic Touch
Ms. Bonnie Adcock	Ms. Linda Dunlap	Mr. & Mrs. Don Saunders
Advance Financial	Exchange Clubs of McMinnville	Ms. Betty Smith
Aconcoction	Fall Creek Falls – Gaul’s Gallery	School Board of Warren County
Applebee’s	Ms. Holly Fernandez	School Board of Van Buren County
Ashley’s Attic	First Baptist Church, McMinnville	Ms. Barbara Scott
BLTV	First United Methodist Church, McMinnville	Ms. Mary Scott
Baker Mountain Farm	Gateway Tire & Service Center	Greg & Tina Smartt
Barr’s Furniture Inc.	Ms. Kayla Greer	Sewing Saints – 1 <sup>st</sup> Baptist Church, Spencer
Barrett’s Office Supply	Ms. Pat Grissom	Southern Standard Publishing
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Best Disposal Service	High’s Inc.	Chamber of Commerce
Gary & Sherida Black	Highland Rim Cross Fit	Spencer Police Dept.
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Botanico Inc	Indian Village Trading Post	Tennessee Titans
Peggy Bratcher	Jack Daniels Distillery	The Vine Baptist Church
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Boyd Christian School	Ms. Rachel Kilebrew	Tree City Wine & Spirits
Calfkiller Brewing Company	Andy & Chelsea Knowles	Lynn C. Tusar Decorative Painting
Terry Carbonell	Loyal of the Moose	Van Buren County TN
Stephen & Bethany Carter	Magness Library	Van Buren County Sheriff Dept.
Cash Express	Ms. Keisha McBride	Van Buren News
Ms Joyce Carroll	McMinnville Auto Parts	Vinson’s Crossroads FCE
Charmed Beauty Salon	McMinnville-Warren Co Chamber of Commerce	Walmart Sparta
Chattanooga Riverboat Company	Midway FCE	Warren Co. High School Culinary
Cherokee Distribution	Ms. Annie Moffitt	Arts Students
City of McMinnville	Moonshine Mountain Cookies	Warren Co. High School Excel Club
City of Spencer	Mt. Leo Church of Christ	WCPI
Collins River BBQ	Terry & Kerry Mullican	Eric & Rhonda Walker
Cornerstone Baptist Church-	Mullican Family Trust	Wendy’s
Ladies Quilting Group	Nashville Predators	Westwood Church of Christ
Cornerstone Computers	Ben & Linda Nixon	Mr. Ernie Whiting
Cotten’s Marina	Paul Honeycutt DDS	Dawn Winton Photography
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Debbie’s Hair Designs	Tina Rowland	
Deer Path Farms		
Dollar General Store Mt. Leo		

*For anyone we may have inadvertently failed to acknowledge, our sincere apology. Every dollar, every item, every hour you spend working with our cause is absolutely vital to our sustainability. **We thank all of you for your commitment!***

