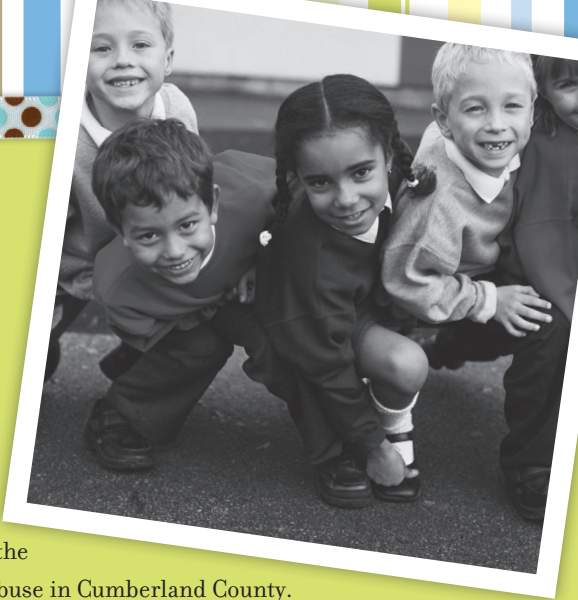
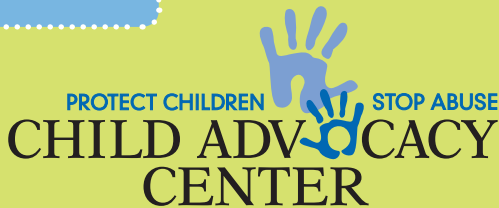


Protect Children. Stop Abuse.
Join hands with the
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DEAR FRIENDS:

A child-friendly, compassionate and safe refuge – that is what the Child Advocacy Center means to hundreds of child victims of abuse in Cumberland County.

So how has the Child Advocacy Center fulfilled its mission of supporting the prevention, investigation and prosecution of child abuse during this past fiscal year?

- By providing a secure and safe haven for 595 child victims of sexual and severe physical abuse to begin the healing process
- By conducting 361 forensic interviews to aid in the potential prosecution of child abuse perpetrators
- By training more than 400 adults on child abuse prevention and intervention techniques
- By working with our 19 partner agencies to save the community an estimated \$600,000

None of these accomplishments could have occurred without your ongoing support. It is our hope that child abuse prevention and intervention continue to be among your top charitable-giving priorities.

Enclosed please find a donation envelope; you may also donate through our website, www.childadvocacycenter.com. Designate your holiday gift in honor or memory of a loved one or friend, and the Center will send a beautiful card on your behalf. To contribute to our newly founded endowment fund, please send a check directly to the Cumberland Community Foundation for the Child Advocacy Center Endowment.

We thank you for all your past contributions to the Center and ask you to please join hands with us again. These are difficult economic times, but our children need us even more than before. Your donation will enable us to continue our fight to protect and serve the most helpless among us – our children!

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"I have seen the faces of frightened children and families when they arrive at the Center. I watch as they enter the halls and see the child-friendly paintings. Their facial expressions change. The rooms are so inviting – the children immediately find something that engages them. Often they go to the easel and begin to draw or write. The pictures show so much pain, and the words that accompany the pictures are very revealing. It is said a picture is worth a thousand words, and at the CAC, that saying takes on reality in the lives of abused children. The CAC helps these children and families begin their journey to healing."

-Sharon Koonce, *Victim Family Advocate*

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