



Child Advocacy & Parenting Services, Inc.

FY 2022

Annual Report



Programs

Education

Advocacy

Family Support

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)



This past fiscal year, **44 CASA volunteers** spent **1,790 hours** changing the stories of **56 children** in Saline and Ottawa County foster care.

Parenting Education



224 adults in 136 families attended one of the **112 virtual or in person** Parenting Education sessions offered by CAPS instructors. **2 families** enrolled in an individual study Personal Parenting Class. CAPS Parenting Education YouTube videos were viewed **311 times**.

Saline County School Readiness



In FY22, **317 children** 0-5 years of age in **315 families** received developmental screenings and support from their **39 child care settings**. This service focused on making sure early identification of developmental delays occurs as soon as possible to allow for the maximum intervention before the child enters school. Staff also provided coaching and professional development for **75 child care professionals** in Saline County to give their children high quality learning environments and parents with the education about appropriate child development.

Chris's Place - Child Advocacy Center



Chris's Place served **192 child victims and non-offending caregivers** in FY21. These children received the following services: **164 forensic interviews**, **38 sexual assault examinations** when needed, **192 victim advocacy**, court accompaniment and most importantly **100% referral** to trauma-focused therapy.



397 served; 192 children, 205 adults

ETHNICITY

84.06% Caucasian
6.8% Hispanic
5.7% Multi-Racial
3.27% Black
.0.17% Asian

TYPES OF ABUSE

73.15% Sexual
21.18% Physical
2.46% Witnessed a Violent Crime
2.46% Domestic Violence
0.74% Drug Endangered

Happy Bear



Happy Bear returned to the classroom and educated **1,633 children** and **224 adults** in **94 sessions**. The Happy Bear YouTube video was accessed **151 times** by educators to bring Happy Bear to their classrooms.

Respite Care



Parents and caregivers in **47 families** received care for **71 children** between 8 weeks and 5 years of age. Three-hour stress breaks were provided each week totaling **1383 sessions** of high quality child care, reducing risk for child abuse and increasing assessment for appropriate child development. In July 2022, we started offering onsite child care as a benefit for our employees with children under the age of 5 not enrolled in Kindergarten.

Bullying Prevention



Bullying Prevention Education returned to the classroom. Services were provided to **2,205 children** and **160 educators** and school staff members across **109 sessions**.

Family Mentoring and Support



Family Mentoring and Support employs **9 full-time staff**, including **5 bilingual staff** members. Service is provided to Saline and Ottawa families in their homes, virtually or in office. Parenting education classes and mentoring services are offered in both English and Spanish. Last year, **188 English Speaking parents** and their **179 children** and **187 Spanish Speaking parents** and their **219 children** participated in this program. In addition, **114 families** received short-term crisis counseling and support.

Come Grow with Us

It's hard to believe when I started at CAPS in March of 2015, we were a team of 18 employees, of which 9 of us were full-time, seven of those colleagues were spread thin across departments working half-time in one role and half-time in another. They were dying on the vine, stretching themselves to cover ground occupied by families who needed nourishment, support and referral for resources in the community. The coupled positions didn't allow deep enough roots to grow and flourish. On the surface, everything appeared okay. Underneath, our staff was tired, emotionally exhausted and hungry for a different way to serve our community.

Fast forward to today. CAPS employs **34 passionate professionals**, 23 of us fulltime in decoupled jobs focused in one department and 11 staff members working part-time. We now are able to offer all of our families the support they need in both English and Spanish. Our budget has grown through grant opportunities to hire these employees from **\$800,000 in 2015 to \$2.4 million for 2023** which enables us to educate any parent walking through the door seeking a way to plant a firm foundation for their family to weather the storms life generates; to advocate for children who have experienced abuse, neglect and exploitation; and to support not only these children and families, but each other as we recognize the strain this work can have on our own lives. In FY22, CAPS was able to serve **5,187 unique individuals** through our six child abuse prevention programs and two child abuse intervention programs.

Through four years of the Family First grant focusing on parenting skills training, CAPS staff work with families who have been identified as at risk of having their children removed from their custody. Over 90% of these families have stayed together with this case management, parenting education and support. In the same time, Saline County Child In Need of Care Cases have been cut in half. It's hard to draw direct correlations from this program to this outcome and one reason prevention work is hard to sustain. We know the successes these families have achieved, practicing self-awareness and self-control, modeling appropriate responses to emotion, nurturing their children and meeting more than just their basic needs in life; keeping their families as the top priority.

Our vision is to create spaces where every child can be safe, healthy and strong. We cannot do it alone. We need our community to pour love into our programs showing these families how vital they are to this place; to sprinkle us with acts of kindness donating time as volunteers; and to shower us with generosity to fund this critical work for the future. **Give today.** Give your time as a volunteer or through *payroll deduction, monthly pledges, annual donations, or legacy planning through endowment*. **It takes each one of us.**


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JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022

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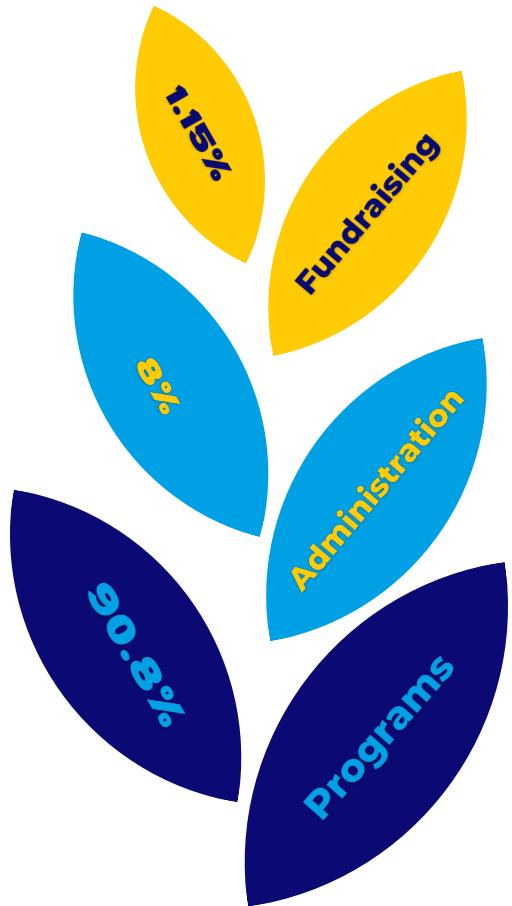
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Financials

Total Expenses: \$1,979,833

JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022





CHILD ADVOCACY & PARENTING SERVICES, INC.

Programs Your Dollars Support

\$50

One Bullying Prevention class or three hours of Respite Child Care for an overwhelmed parent

\$150

5 hours of parenting instruction or one Happy Bear session for 25 children

\$300

Family mentoring services for three months of in-home visitation and parent education

\$500

Advocacy and support services for one victim and their non-offending parent or caregiver

\$1000

One year of advocacy and professional support for a foster child and their volunteer CASA

\$2000

3 months of 24/7 on-call support for children and their families



Court Appointed Special Advocates:

The Ottawa and Saline County CASA Program recruits, trains and supports community volunteers who advocate for the best interest of abused and neglected children involved in the local court system. CASA volunteers work to ensure the children's needs are met and to assist the court in obtaining a safe, permanent placement as quickly as possible.



Parenting Education: Child development and positive discipline instruction which helps parents develop skills needed to effectively raise their children. Enabling parents to develop a strong, close-knit family is the goal. Classes are offered throughout the year and free child care is available for all classes.



Respite Childcare: Quality, once-a-week child care for parents needing a break from the daily stress of parenting. Helping good parents become GREAT parents!



Family Mentoring: Comprehensive, professional support for over-burdened families. Services include social work case management, weekly in-home visitation, crisis counseling, one-on-one parent training, parent/child relationship assistance and emotional support for English and Spanish-speaking families.



Saline County School Readiness Project: This community collaboration helps families and early childhood educators better prepare children ages 0-5 years with the cognitive and social emotional skills they need to enter kindergarten ready to learn.



Bullying Prevention: Classroom instruction for elementary and middle school students to reduce peer abuse. Strategies to strengthen the targets and the witnesses to use their power to end bullying are taught and practiced. The goal of the program is to empower students to use empathy and reconciliatory justice with their peers.



Chris's Place Child Advocacy Center: Chris's Place coordinates an investigative multi-disciplinary team response for children involved in allegations of sexual abuse or serious physical abuse. Children receive a forensic interview in a child-focused environment by a specially trained interviewer, where coordinated and specialized services for advocacy, mental health and medical services are offered.