CHILD ABUSE HAPPENS IN EVERY COMMUNITY

DCAC coordinates the investigation and prosecution of the most severe cases of child abuse in Dallas County and provides evidence-based therapy and healing services to help families overcome the trauma of abuse.

THE REALITY OF CHILD ABUSE

1 in 10 children will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday.

$124B ANNUALLY
The CDC’s estimate of the economic burden resulting from cases of child abuse.

A report of abuse is made every 20 minutes in Dallas County.

27,456 ALLEGATIONS
of child abuse made in Dallas County in 2018.

92% of children know their abuser
73% of sexually abused children won’t tell

A child has a greater risk of being sexually abused than being in a car accident.

FURTHERING THE CONVERSATION THROUGH EDUCATION

DCAC’s education program teaches parents, community members and professionals working with children how to recognize and report child abuse. The education team also provides accredited training to professionals.

100,405 INDIVIDUALS EDUCATED IN 2018

16,032 FACE TO FACE
84,373 ONLINE

30TH ANNUAL CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN CONFERENCE

4,910 ATTENDEES
FROM EVERY STATE IN THE US & 25 COUNTRIES

110 VOLUNTEERS

425 WORKSHOPS
Our typical child is a 9-year old girl who was abused by someone she knows and trusts.

2018 DEMOGRAPHICS

AGE OF VICTIM
- 40.8% Ages 6-12
- 35% Ages 13-17
- 14.2 Ages 0-5
- 5.5 Ages 18+

GENDER OF VICTIM
- 72% Female
- 28% Male

ETHNICITY OF VICTIM
- 43% Hispanic
- 35% Black
- 15% White
- 6% Other

PRIMARY ALLEGATION
- 75% Sexual Abuse
- 16.3% Physical Abuse
- 7.2% Other
- 1.1% Witness to Violence
- 0.4% Child Death

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OFFENDER AND VICTIM
- 25% Other Known Relative (e.g. family friend, coach, pastor)
- 23% Other Relative (e.g. grandfather, uncle, cousin)
- 21% Father Role
- 9% Mother Role
- 7% Sibling
- 5% Unknown
- 3% Stranger
- 1% Teacher

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DCAC PROVIDES A COMPREHENSIVE, EVIDENCE-BASED RESPONSE.
IN OUR LAST YEAR...

18,916 THERAPY HOURS
14,461 FAMILY ADVOCACY CONTACT HOURS
2,486 FORENSIC INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED

6,500 CHILDREN AND THEIR NON-OFFENDING FAMILY MEMBERS WERE SERVED AT DCAC
79 CLIENTS DCAC TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF
120 DCAC EMPLOYEES

90 cents of every $1 raised goes directly to the investigative and healing services DCAC provides free of charge to our clients.

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