



Child Advocacy & Parenting Services, Inc.



2020-21 **Annual Report**

IMPROVING CHILDREN'S LIVES AND STRENGTHENING FAMILIES
THROUGH EDUCATION, ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT

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Family Safety Strengthens Society

Families are the central unit of society and the way they respond to life's experiences form the map of their lives. Each one of those experiences create pathways in our brains which drive the human response. The more frequently that experience happens, the faster the neurons decide what to anticipate. Our bodies are highways delivering messages for daily living. Now I'm not a neuroscientist or a doctor; I am just a passionate leader who believes strongly in giving kids the best start to life possible and I believe the best chance for success comes when the family is safe, healthy and strong.

Humans are made to be connected to one another. We are all seeking our place to belong. If our family doesn't provide this safety from day one, we begin seeking that space whether it's a healthy option or not. The need to belong accelerates choices which can be either healthful or destructive. The resulting consequences either strengthen us or weaken us.

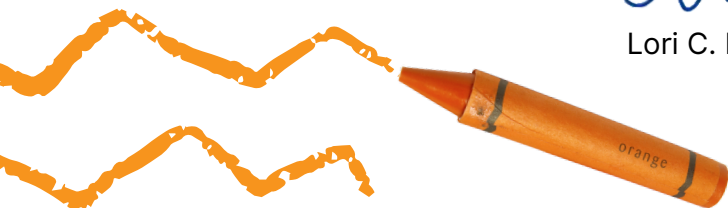
At CAPS, we work with families every day to look at their life circumstances and help steer them back on a path that leads to success. Using their strengths and naming their needs allows our parenting educators, family mentors, victim advocates and CASA volunteers to provide new experiences which widen the road to create opportunities to thrive instead of merely surviving. Since the beginning, our staff has been committed to the mission of improving children's lives and strengthening families through education, advocacy and support.

2021 was no exception. As you see on the following pages, CAPS staff found innovative ways to work through the pandemic to draw new lines on the map to meet the needs of children and families in Saline, Ottawa and Dickinson Counties. This work could not be done without the commitment of partners in our neighborhoods, cities, counties, state and country.

Thank you for support of our work. It truly does take a village to get children to adulthood. Let's be a kind, caring and supportive village, so in the future, our children have learned that response and through their example, their own children move forward to a life of peaceful self-awareness where everyone belongs.



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PROGRAMS



Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)



This past fiscal year, **36 CASA volunteers** spent **1,790 hours** changing the stories of **48 children** in Saline and Ottawa County foster care.

Parenting Education



115 adults in **108 families** attended one of the **44 virtual or in person** Parenting Education sessions offered by CAPS instructors. **3 families** enrolled in an individual study Personal Parenting Class. CAPS Parenting Education YouTube videos were viewed **640 times**.

Saline County School Readiness



In FY20, **220 children** 0-5 years of age in 189 **families** received developmental screenings and support from their **35 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.

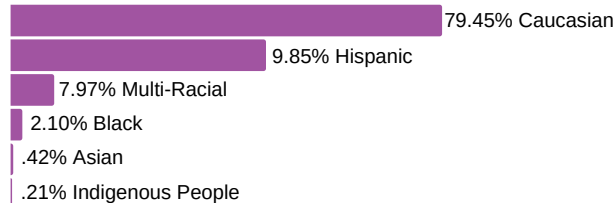
Chris's Place - Child Advocacy Center



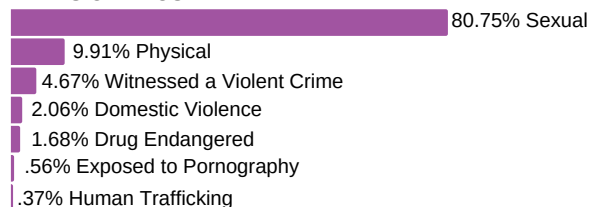
Chris's Place served **477 child victims and non-offending caregivers** in FY20. These children received a forensic interview, a sexual assault examination when needed, victim advocacy, court accompaniment, and most importantly referral to trauma-focused therapy. The demographic details for these special children include the following:

477 served; 224 children, 253 adults **5.87%** had a disability

ETHNICITY



TYPES OF ABUSE



Happy Bear



With help from Fili Creative and some talented children, Happy Bear went virtual! The Happy Bear YouTube video was accessed **504 times** by educators to bring Happy Bear to their classrooms.

Respite Care



Parents and caregivers in **49 families** received care for **73 children** between 8 weeks and 5 years of age. Three-hour stress breaks were provided each week totaling **974 sessions** of high quality child care, reducing risk for child abuse and increasing assessment for appropriate child development.

Bullying Prevention



Bullying Prevention services were held virtually via Zoom. Services were provided to **1,723 children** and **117 educators** and school staff members across **90 sessions**.

Family Mentoring and Support



Family Mentoring and Support employs **8.5 full-time staff**, including **4 full-time 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.

FAMILY MENTORING PROGRAM FUNDS SOURCE	CASES	ADULTS	CHILDREN
Family First (DCF)	78	147	233
KS Department of Corrections - Juvenile Services Reinvestment Act	33	39	43
Crisis	67	77	162
ECBG (families with children ages 0-5 years)	40	66	109
Spanish Speaking Families	104	142	245
	322	471	792





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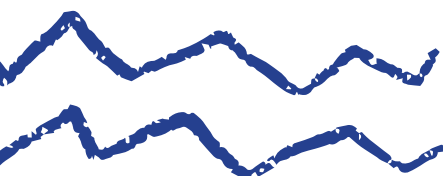
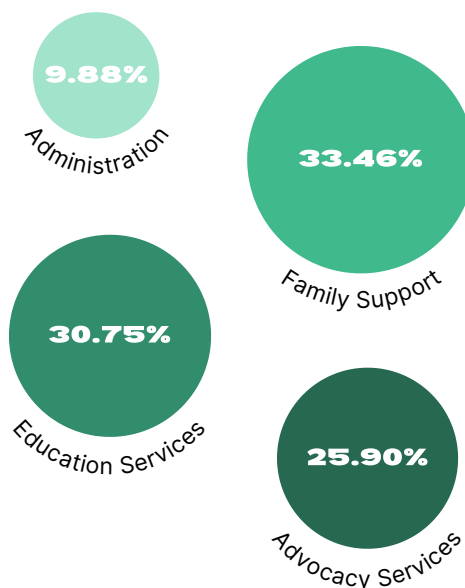
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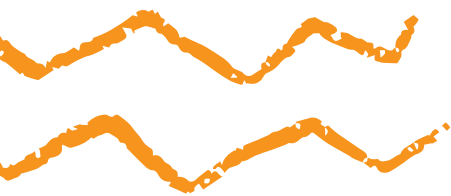
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