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A Message From Our Board President

To all of our Community Partners, Supporters, and Friends,

This year has been an incredible year of growth for Children's Advocacy Centers of Tennessee (CACTN). This growth has included the addition of staff, the expansion of funding for both the Chapter and member centers, and expansion of legislation that will support children statewide.

This growth is due in large part to the leadership of the Executive Director, Stephen Woerner. Stephen and his staff have connected with all of the member center Executive Directors and Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC) staff across the state. When CACs have events, dignitaries visiting, or need for a sounding board the CACTN staff have been available. This support also includes bringing all the Executive Directors together to imagine what the work of CACs will look like.

Many of the Executive Directors have expressed excitement for what is next for both the Chapter and member centers statewide. The excitement comes from the successes of last year. The work ethic of Chapter staff and commitment to children and their non-offending caregivers will continue to drive this difficult but essential work.

Sincerely,



Kristen Pavlik McCallie
Board President

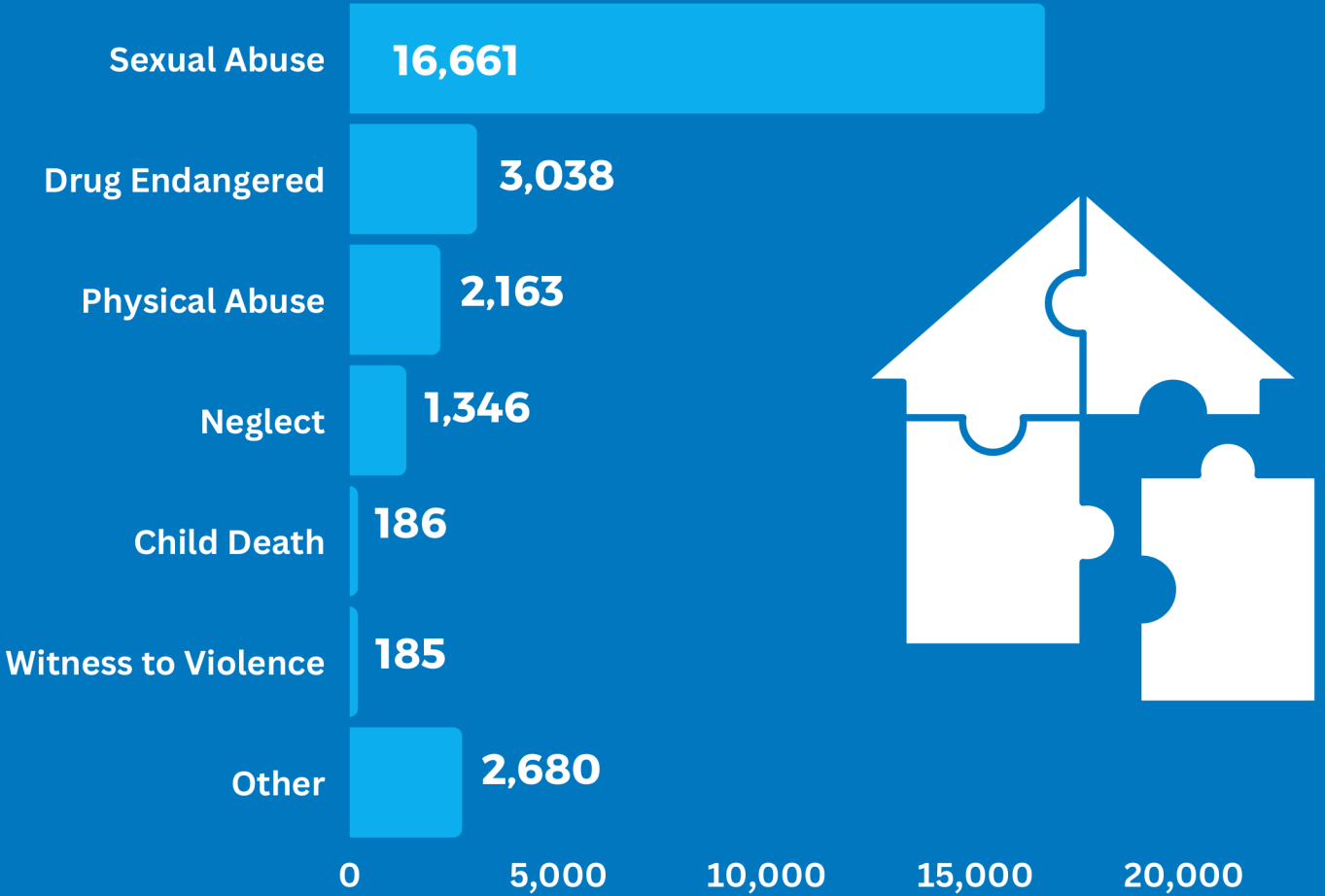


Services Received

CACs create a central location for children and families to receive comprehensive services. The centers encourage and support coordinated case review and investigations, while offering a safe, child friendly space for children and non-offending caregivers to come and meet with law enforcement, DCS, medical professionals, district attorneys, and mental health professionals.

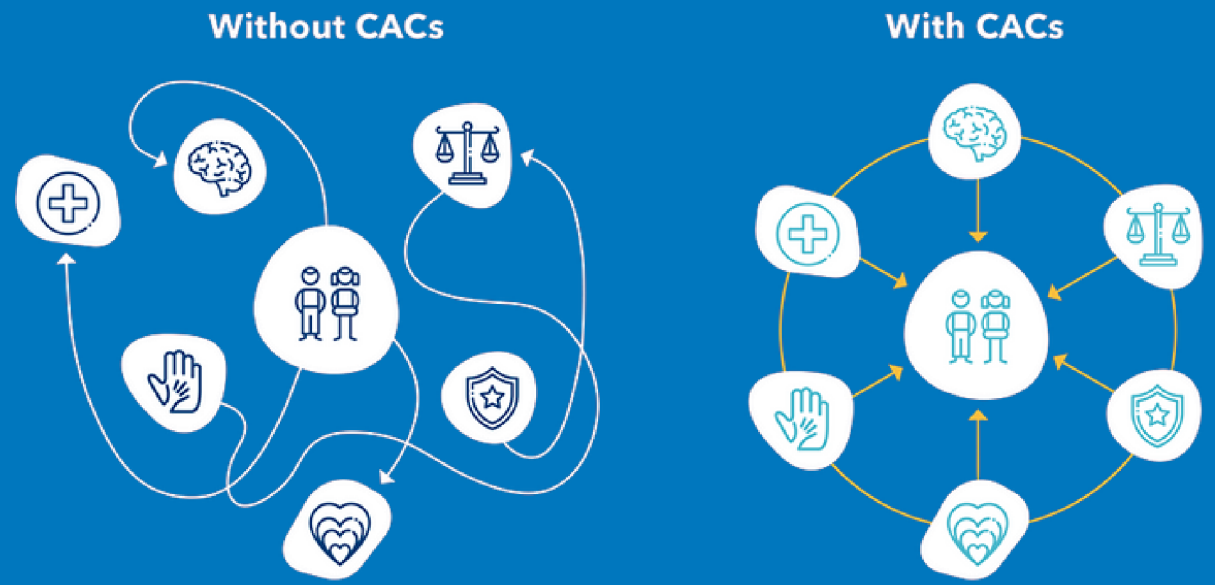


Why are children referred to a CAC?



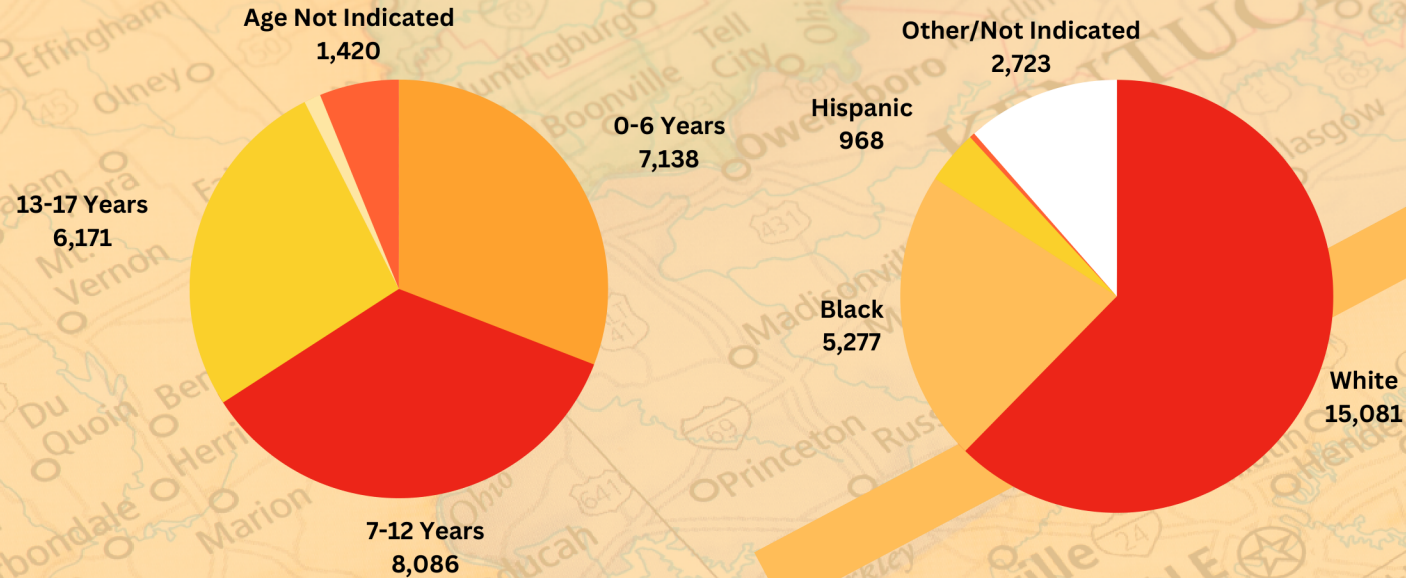
What are Child Advocacy Centers?

In Tennessee, the child advocacy centers (CACs) are at the forefront of addressing issues of child abuse. Each center provides a child-friendly space for victims to receive comprehensive services as well as a space for child protection investigative team (CPIT) members to meet and review cases. A child advocacy center is the one place that provides a safe, child-friendly environment where law enforcement, child protective services, prosecution, medical and mental health professionals may share information and develop effective, coordinated strategies sensitive to the needs of each unique case and child. CAC models for child abuse intervention are proven and effective in bringing together trained professionals, in providing services to victims, and holding offenders accountable through the court system. CACs are located in both rural and urban communities across the state, providing services to all 31 judicial districts throughout Tennessee.



Age & Race of Children Served

Contact Your Local Child Advocacy Center



CAC Efficiency

The CAC model has long been recognized by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention as an evidence-supported program for responding to child sexual and physical abuse.

- CACs have been demonstrated through research to:
- A) serve as a cost-effective and efficient child abuse response
 - B) increase the rates of prosecution
 - C) reduce the length of time to disposition in child abuse cases
 - D) increase the likelihood that maltreated children receive medical care;
 - E) increase a child victim's access to mental health treatment and
 - F) increase parental/caregiver satisfaction in the investigation and prosecution of the case involving their child(ren).

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2	Blountville	(423) 279-1222	21	Franklin	(615) 790-5900
3	Mosheim	(423) 422-4446	21	Centerville	(931) 729-9933
4	Sevierville	(865) 774-1777	21	Hohenwald	(931) 796-0813
5	Maryville	(865) 981-2000	22	Lawrenceburg	(931) 766-2213
6	Knoxville	(865) 637-1753	23	Charlotte	(615) 789-3035
7	Clinton	(865) 463-2740	24	Huntingdon	(713) 986-5920
8	Oneida	(423) 569-8900	24	Paris	(731) 642-8455
8	LaFollette	(423) 562-4190	24	Parsons	(731) 847-4020
8	Jamestown	(931) 879-7290	25	Bolivar	(731) 659-2373
8	Maynardville	(865) 992-7677	25	Covington	(901) 476-1515
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10	Cleveland	(423) 790-5740	25	Savannah	(731) 925-2252
11	Chattanooga	(423) 266-6918	26	Henderson	(731) 989-7222
12	Jasper	(423) 443-7431	26	Lexington	(731) 967-0727
13	Cookeville	(931) 854-0115	26	Jackson	(731) 422-6464
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17	Fayetteville	(931) 438-3233	28	Milan	(731) 238-5050
17	Lewisburg	(931) 359-0830	28	Humboldt	(731) 784-7500
18	Gallatin	(615) 451-2169	29	Newbern	(731) 628-0170
19	Clarksville	(931) 553-5140	30	Memphis	(901) 888-4340
19	Springfield	(615) 384-5885	31	McMinnville	(931) 507-2386