The Children’s Center of Medina County

The mission of The Children’s Center of Medina County is to nurture abused and neglected children through collaboration, advocacy, treatment and prevention.

Annual Report
2018
In 2018, we have continued to see an increase in demand for our services at The Children’s Center of Medina County and as a result have started planning for our future. We truly appreciate our community for your continued support and look forward to sharing how we will be able to provide hope and healing for more child abuse victims in Medina County. We know that every 30 minutes a child is abused or neglected in Ohio and Medina County is not immune to children experiencing abuse. In 2018, there were 823 child abuse cases opened in Medina County and those are only the cases reported. Together we can make a difference in a child’s life. From all of us at The Children’s Center of Medina County, we thank you for joining us in the fight to end child abuse.

823 cases of Child Abuse were opened by Medina County Child Protective Services in 2018

### 2018 General Operating Fund

#### Revenue

- Medical Exam Revenue: $27,176
- Contributions: $35,147
- Fundraising Revenue: $91,628
- Grants and Reimbursements: $116,089
- In-Kind Contributions—General: $34,064
- Other Income: $22,159
- **Total Revenue**: $326,263

#### Expenses

- Program Expenses: $211,050
- Fundraising Expenses: $4,821
- Management and General: $128,978
- **Total Expenses**: $344,849
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<td>133 Children Received Child Advocacy Services</td>
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<td>31 Children Received Medical Exams</td>
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- **More than 96% of the time, children are abused by someone they know and trust.**
- **22% of Offenders are under the age of 18**
- **45% of Offenders are over the age of 18**
- **Some offenders are unknown**

**Visitation is essential for a child’s well-being:** The primary purpose of visitation is to maintain the parent-child attachment, reduce a child’s sense of abandonment, and preserve their sense of belonging as part of a family and community.

**Visitation is fundamental to permanency:** Visitation facilitates permanency planning, promotes timely reunification, and helps in the decision-making process to establish alternative permanency plans. Visitation maintains and supports the parent-child relationship necessary for successful reunification.

**Visitation is vital to a child maintaining family relationships and cultural connections:** Maintaining family connections has life-long significance for a child. Visitation maintains their relationships with siblings and others who have a significant role in a child’s life. When a child loses family connections, they also lose family history, medical history and cultural information. Visitation is considered the heart of reunification, but even when reunification is not likely, parents, siblings and extended family continue to be important in children’s lives.
What did you appreciate most about your experience at The Children’s Center?

- thanks
- safe
- sit
- feel
- really
- nice
- support
- walk
- friendly
- put
- process

65% of victims were female
35% of victims were male

156 Community Members Attended the Pinwheel Walk
627 Pinwheels Planted representing each abuse case opened by Child Protective Services
273 People heard presentations about The Children’s Center Services
3,388 People learned about The Children’s Center through our Community Outreach

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