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Helping Hands ... Healing Hearts

Providing Children with Safety, Healing, and Justice



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Winter 2017

RESTORING HOPE REBUILDING LIVES

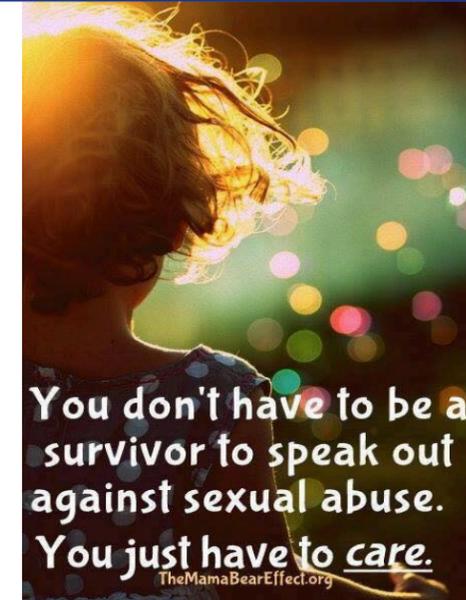


Impact 100's Focus Group Chairs/CoChairs

We are thrilled to announce that the Baldwin County CAC is the winner of a **\$90,000 grant award from Impact 100 Baldwin County!** We are so grateful for our generous and hard-working community members who have provided this grant. This new funding puts us very close to meeting our **"RESTORING HOPE, REBUILDING LIVES"** campaign goal. We now have the opportunity to fulfill our dream of expanding our space to include additional forensic interview rooms, specific offices for key TEAM members, a new child-friendly, comfortable waiting area, and more. This expansion will allow us to further our mission. THANK YOU, IMPACT 100 BALDWIN COUNTY for this grant award and also for our 2009 award which helped us purchase our current building! This project will begin in February 2018 when Stuart Contracting will break ground. We would like to also thank the following people, organizations, and companies for their generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure: the Mitchell Family/Stuart Contracting, Allen and Nathan Cox/Cox Family Foundation, Jeff Hudson of HRG Design Build Solutions, the Snook Foundation, Baldwin County Home Builders Association, the Mapp Foundation, Sunny 105.7, and ALL of our committed and new supporters! Thank you for helping us to continue to provide SAFETY, HEALING, AND JUSTICE for Baldwin County victims of child abuse. If you are interested in participating in this exciting community project, please call BCCAC at 251-989-2555 or email us at carehouse@bellsouth.net.



Impact 100 winners on November 1st!
 Five local nonprofit agencies received a total of \$450,000 in grant awards for community improvement projects!



2016-2017 STATISTICS

INTERVENTION:

Children Served.....	397
Forensic Interviews	274
Counseling Sessions.....	1262
Family Advocate Clients.....	69
CourtEducation.....	43
Rollercoaster Clients.....	8
Transparenting Attendees.....	503

PREVENTION:

Internet Safety Lessons.....	133
Students.....	6980
Puppet Shows.....	27
Students.....	1541
Darkness to Light Attendees.....	109

Baldwin County Child Advocacy Center Mission

To provide resources and services to child victims of sexual abuse and severe physical abuse, their supportive family members, and the community through a Multidisciplinary team approach while empowering all toward child abuse prevention. BCCAC is Baldwin County's resource and referral source on child abuse.

Special thanks to Tracey Goens and Ann Andrew of Core3 Realty / JWRE for sponsoring this newsletter!



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 Please return completed card with your gift to: Baldwin County CAC, P. O. Box 884, Summerdale, AL 36580

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THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

The Baldwin County CAC is able to serve our children and community not only through the devotion of staff, Board Members, and interns, but also due to our volunteers, Baldwin County companies / corporations, and community supporters willing to give so much of their time and resources. Here are **just a few** of our recent stories of in-kind donations which make a big impact. Please know that we appreciate **every** person involved in our mission. **You are providing hope, healing, and a brighter future for children in need, and WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



Rachel Romash and her Team at Elite Real Estate Solutions have stuffed newsletters, provided Thanksgiving dinners for our kids and families, helped us with our RRC raffle, and also served as our first Title Sponsor for our Under the Stars event!



The CARE House Riders have worked hard cleaning our yards and hanging new signs for us! They have also participated in various additional volunteer projects! Thank you for all of your hard work and your commitment to helping kids in need.



Pictured L to R: Heidi Cook, Intern, and Kati Weis, Board Member, generously volunteered to help out at the Parade of Homes. Thank you to all of our interns and Board Members who contributed so much of their valuable time for this event.

BCHBA'S ANNUAL PARADE OF HOMES



Over \$4000 was raised for our "Restoring Hope, Rebuilding Lives" project through BCHBA's Parade of Homes! We were chosen as their featured charity for 2017. Thank you to all involved in this amazing event and to the BCHBA not only for this gift, but also for their Christmas gift donation program and for their 25+ years of support! Pictured L to R: Fran Druse of BCHBA; Niki Whitaker of the Baldwin County CAC; Jeff Frostholm of Frostholm Construction (Jeff built the gorgeous home pictured here which was the 2017 Showcase Home) and Alex Carey, BCHBA President

ALABAMA POWER'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY GRANT



Alabama Power Foundation provided a \$10,000 Efficiency Forward grant which was used to replace gas heating with energy efficient heat pumps. Thank you, Alabama Power! Pictured L to R: Beth Thomas and Sharon Murrill of Alabama Power and Niki Whitaker / BCCAC.

SAVE THE DATE



ROBERTSDALE ROTARY CLUB

Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets for the Robertsdale Rotary Club's fundraiser, and congratulations to all of the winners: Donna Harper, Gail Quezada, and Hardy Brock Consulting. The children served here at the CAC are winners, too, as the proceeds of this raffle will be used to create a playground and fence at our Summerdale location. The new playground will be used during therapy sessions and will also allow children to play outside until their appointment time or when waiting for their family members to complete their sessions. A very special thanks to the company donors, Joshua Mims, President of the Club, (pictured right with his hard-working daughter), and the Robertsdale Rotary Club members for their dedicated service.



FUN WAYS TO HELP WITH FUNDRAISING

There are lots of creative ways that you can participate and help our kids learn to not just survive, but thrive after dealing with such abuse and adversity. One way to help is to volunteer to hold a fundraiser. Thank you to Karen Brock who generously donated through her Plexus fundraiser and said, "I loved being a part of the warm and caring environment this organization offers to our community. It truly is amazing how much the CAC offers."



L to R: Niki Whitaker, BCCAC and Karen Brock with Plexus

DARKNESS TO LIGHT



Team up with the Baldwin County CAC and Darkness to Light to become a **STEWARDS of CHILDREN!** D2L's "Stewards of Children" training program is an **award-winning program** which raises awareness of the prevalence and consequences of child sexual abuse by educating adults about the steps they can take to prevent, recognize and react responsibly. This training can be presented in two hours. Thanks to a generous grant from the Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, we can present this training to any group in Baldwin County free of charge. Please contact Alecia Glaize / Prevention Coordinator at 251-989-2555 / aglaize@baldwincountycac.org if you are interested in becoming an active protector of local children.

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