



# Children's Safe Harbor

*20 Years of Exceptional Advocacy Services  
Serving Children and Families in Montgomery,  
San Jacinto & Walker Counties*

Children's Safe Harbor cares for children between the ages of two and seventeen who have suffered sexual abuse, severe physical abuse and trauma. Since we opened our doors on August 31, 1998 we have provided a safe place for over 14,369 children to be heard, helped and healed.

2018  
Annual Report



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### Our Mission:

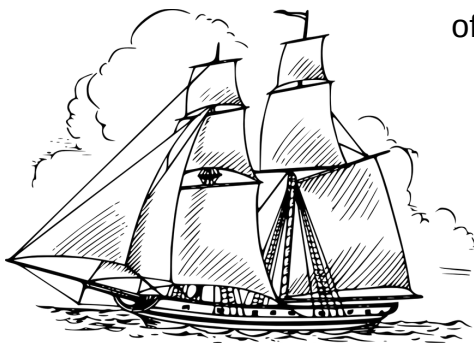
Children's Safe Harbors' mission is to protect and enhance the life of every child who has the courage to battle sexual and physical abuse.

### Our Vision:

With a team of community and professional agencies united, we are committed to counsel the mind and heal the body of brave children and prosecute the offenders of the youngest and most vulnerable victims of our society.

### Our Goal:

The goal of Children's Safe Harbor is to reduce the trauma of child victims and their non-offending caregivers by facilitating a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary team approach to intervention, investigation, prosecution and treatment of child sexual and severe physical abuse.

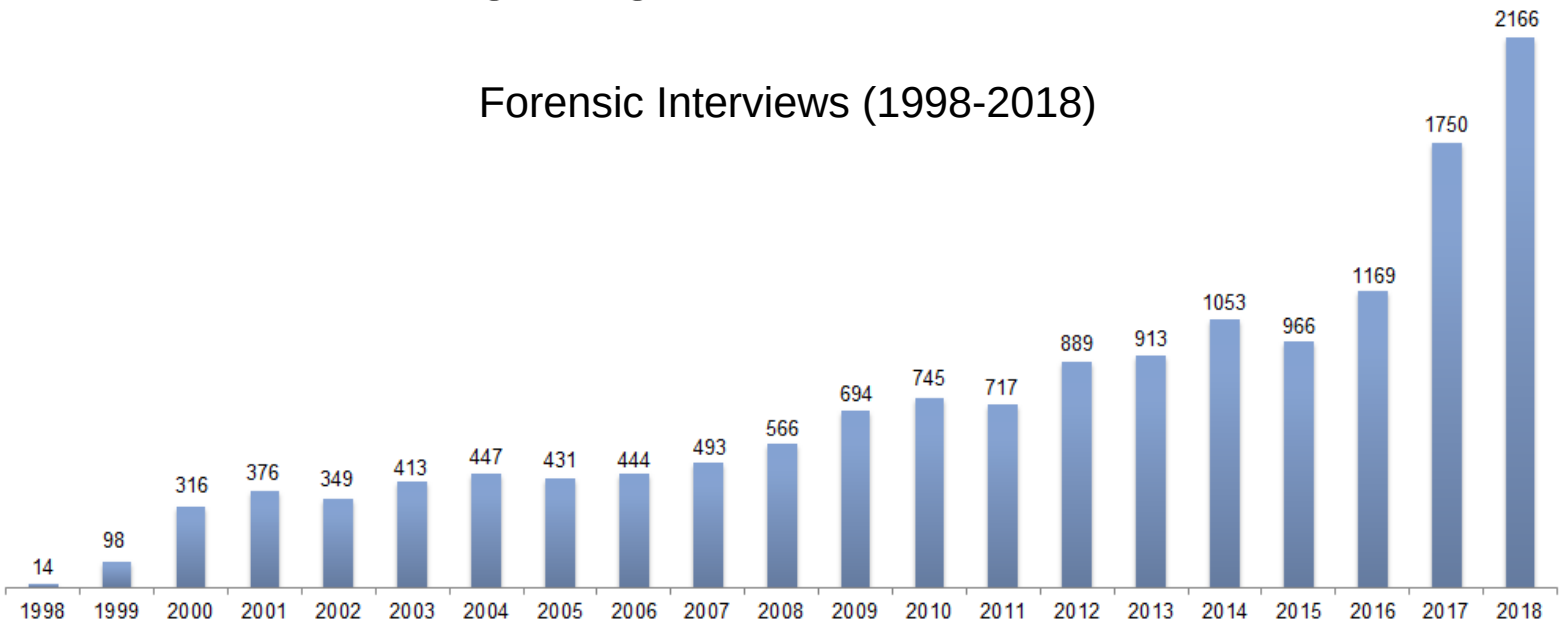






# Highlights: 20 Years

## Forensic Interviews (1998-2018)



From the beginning, Children Safe Harbor's principle mission has been to provide a supportive, safe environment for children while enhancing the coordination between criminal investigations and the monitoring of child abuse cases. Instead of children unnecessarily accessing multiple law enforcement agencies and child protection systems to seek healing and justice, Children's Safe Harbor utilizes a multi-disciplinary, team-oriented approach to successfully coordinate effective, efficient, and child-centered casework. This method allows Children's Safe Harbor to offer victimized children the care they need while also ensuring that the evidence necessary for prosecution is gathered effectively and that mental health resources for the children and non-offending family members are coordinated through completion of care.

In its first few months, approximately 23 children were referred to the organization for a forensic interview. Now, the average number of forensic interviews is close to 200 a month. In 2017, Children's Safe Harbor was designated as a High Capacity children's advocacy center in the state of Texas. We were ranked 7th out of 71 active centers.

Victoria Constance, PhD  
Executive Director



# 2018 At A Glance

*help*

2166 Forensic Interviews

1338 Families received Family Advocate services

*justice*

5564 Intakes (Cases) Received & Reviewed (Montgomery County)

26 Staff Court Testimonies

202 Medical Exams

400 Individuals received Counseling services

*healing*

*"It was wonderful. I never wanted my child to have to experience this trauma, but you have made it more healing than scary. Thank you."*

Throughout these pages you will see quotes like this interspersed. These are responses from two different surveys to the questions: "What do you find most helpful about coming to Children's Safe Harbor?" or "What did you appreciate the most about your experience at the Center?"



# 3,676 Individual family members received services from Children's Safe Harbor

## Counseling Successes

4,481 hours of counseling services were provided to clients, free of charge. Of the clients in counseling, 92 were discharged having successfully completed the TF-CBT recommended 12 sessions of treatment. After just 6 sessions, 92% of caregivers reported that they had noticed positive changes in their child.

*"I instantly felt comfortable and safe in a foreign situation.*

*I really appreciate how comforting and helpful the staff was. The facility was very clean and inviting."*

## Volunteers

In 2018, we had 65 volunteers providing direct service work for a total of 2,600 hours. In addition, CSH received help from various special groups. The "Dolly Mamas" generously donated beautiful, handmade dolls for our clients. Exxon Mobil supported CSH with their annual Day of Caring, by sending 50 employees to help with various facility projects, including painting, landscaping, construction & safety.

## Education & Awareness

CSH Staff provided 28 specialized prevention and awareness programs in 2018. Through various programs, including Darkness to Light (D2L), and Netsmartz, 640 individuals around the community received education and awareness.

## Special Group Spotlight: BACA

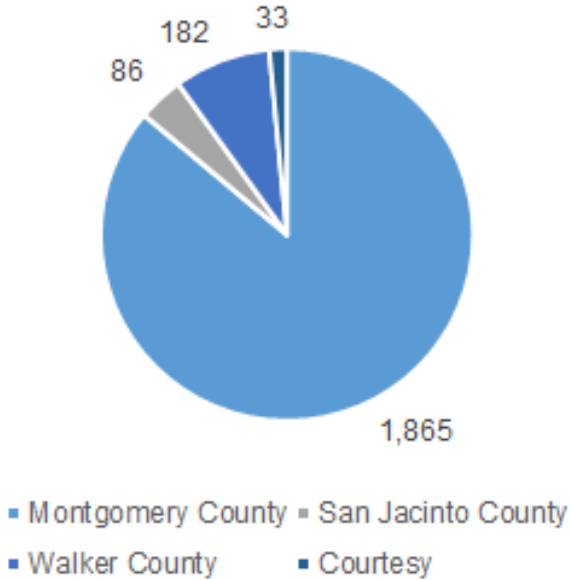
The 43 members of the Seven Coves Chapter of Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA), work alongside CSH in creating a safer environment for abused children. They exist as a body of Bikers to empower children to not feel afraid of the world in which they live, by supporting each child based on their individual needs. Some of these services may include: having a physical presence at the child's home, therapy needs, visiting at school, and accompanying children to court. In addition to all else BACA does, they hosted our annual client Christmas Party, with a bounce house, great food, presents, a ton of fun, and even Biker Santa!

*"My child is more open now, does not stay in his room a lot. Thanks to Safe Harbor, I'm getting my grandbaby back."*



# Our Clients

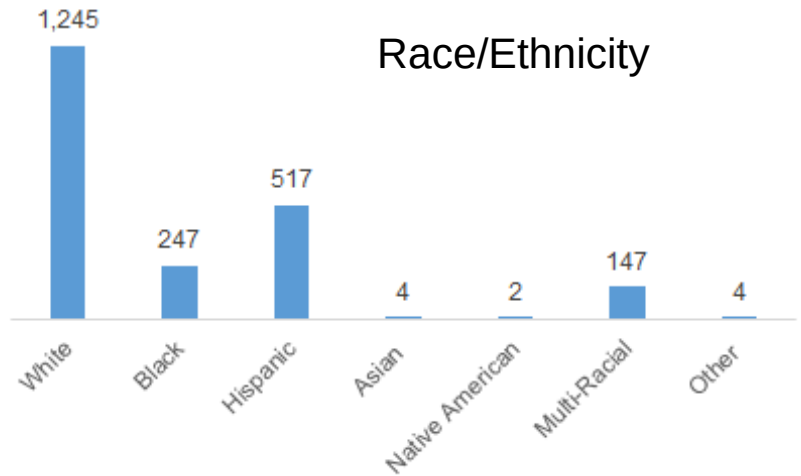
## County where Case Originated



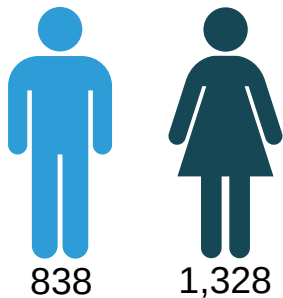
Courtesy Counties: Harris, Polk, Lake Calcasieu (LA), Colorado, Johnson, Calhoun (AL), Camp, Galveston, Garza

Forensic Interviews are typically the first service provided for our families. A forensic interview is a neutral, fact finding interview conducted by someone who is specifically trained according to Texas standards.

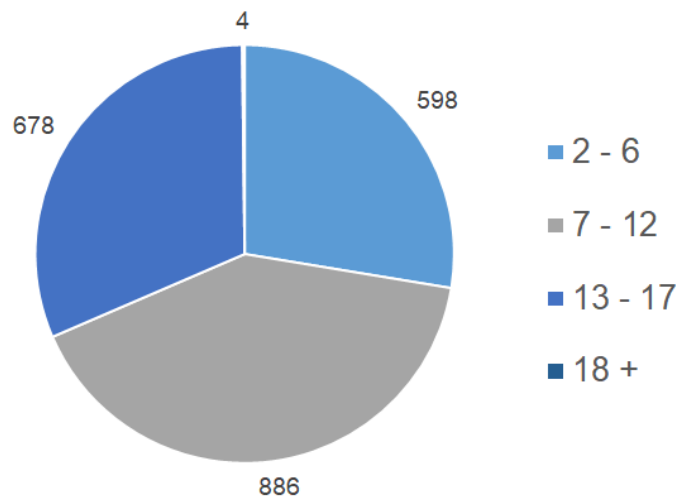
## Race/Ethnicity



## Gender of Child



## Age of Child



*"The information provided by my family advocate was outstanding. I feel confident I can now fully meet my child's needs."*





# Multidisciplinary Team (MDT)

Children's Safe Harbor, as a children's advocacy center, has two sets of customers: MDT partners (LE, DFPS) and the children and families that they bring as part of a criminal investigation of child abuse. The MDT is the core feature of this model of healing and justice.

## 5,611 Statewide Intake Reports

Specialized staff of CSH reviewed these 5,611 DFPS intake reports for local law enforcement in Montgomery County.

*"The prompt review of DFPS intake reports and the efficient dissemination of relevant information to the members of the MDT team helps facilitate a timely response by all agencies involved to help children in need."*

-Laura Bond, ADA,  
Montgomery County DA's Office

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## Partner Agencies

Conroe Police Department  
Cut and Shoot Police Department  
Magnolia Police Department  
Montgomery County Sheriff's Office  
Montgomery County Police Department  
Oak Ridge Police Department  
Panorama Police Department  
Patton Village Police Department  
Roman Forest Police Department  
Shenandoah Police Department  
Splendora Police Department  
Stagecoach Police Department  
Willis Police Department  
Conroe ISD Police Department  
Montgomery ISD Police Department  
New Caney ISD Police Department  
Splendora ISD Police Department

Montgomery County Precinct 1  
Montgomery County Precinct 2  
Montgomery County Precinct 3  
Montgomery County Precinct 4  
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San Jacinto County DA's Office  
Huntsville Police Department  
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# 20th Anniversary Luncheon Sponsors

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September 21, 2018

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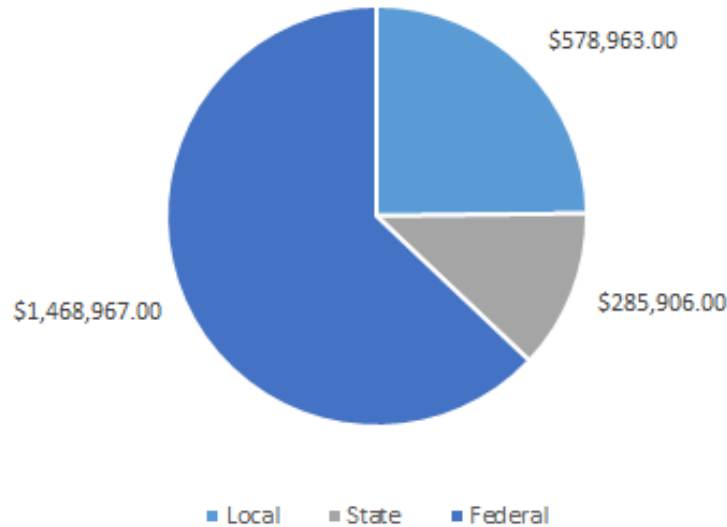


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Please join and share our mission for healing and justice for children in our communities. Become of a Warrior of The Light as you help to change a life, one child at a time.

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