



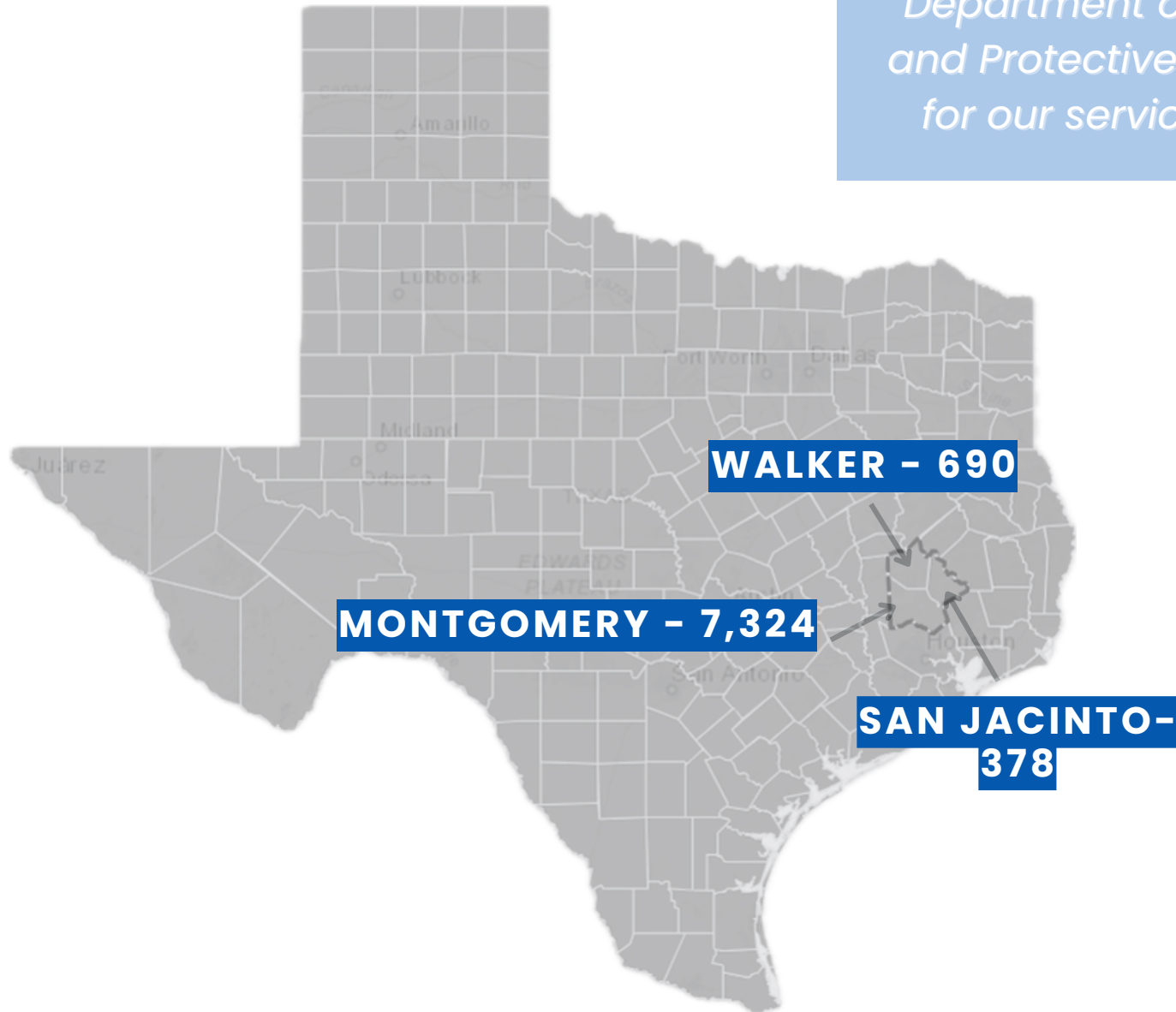
**Children's Safe Harbor
A Children's Advocacy Center**

2023 Impact Report

**Celebrating 25 Years of providing
justice, healing and hope**

8,928 Child Abuse Reports Reviewed in 2023

As a Children's Advocacy Center, Children's Safe Harbor receives copies of all reports made to the Department of Family and Protective Services for our service area.





Dear Children's Safe Harbor Supporter,

At the heart of our cause lies the unwavering commitment to create a safer environment for the most vulnerable members of society – our precious children. Every day, innocent lives fall victim to the unimaginable atrocities of abuse. It is our duty, as compassionate individuals, to stand united against such atrocities and shield these innocent souls from harm.

Your generosity in supporting and donating to our cause has enabled us to provide vital resources and assistance to victims of abuse. Through our comprehensive programs, we strive not only to aid the survivors on their path to healing but also to prevent future abuse by raising awareness, educating communities, and promoting proactive measures.

By actively participating in celebration of 25 years of service, you, our donors and supporters, have become an integral part of our mission. **Your dedication and support demonstrate a shared belief in the power of compassion and advocacy for over 26,500 children in our 25 years of service.** Together, we are making a difference in the lives of countless children, providing them with hope, healing, and a brighter future. I express my deepest gratitude for your invaluable contribution. Let us continue to stand firm in our commitment to protecting our children, inspiring change, and fostering a society where innocence can thrive without fear.

Your support has truly made a significant impact in our mission to protect children from the horrors of physical and sexual abuse. As you read this 2023 Impact Report, you will see the cumulative impact of 25 years of service in addition to the unique investment opportunities of 2023.

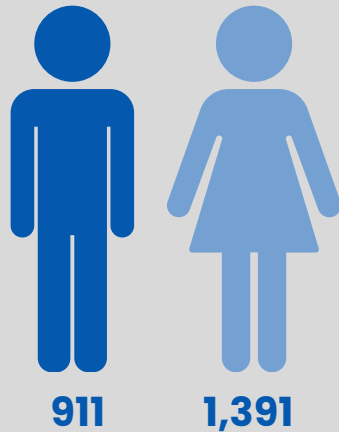
Sincerely,
Matthew Rodrigue, MSSSL, LCC
Board President
Chief, Spring ISD Police

Victoria Constance, Ph.D.
Executive Director

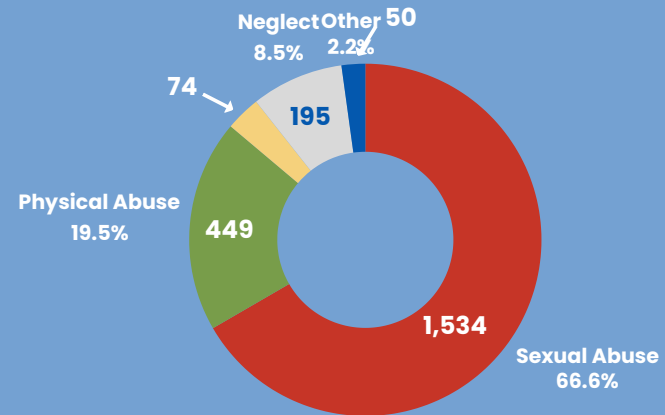


CHILDREN SERVED IN 2023

Number of Female & Male Clients



Client Victimizations



169
Sexual Assault
Nurse
Examinations

8,928
Total Child
Abuse Reports
Reviewed

1,654
Family Advocacy
Caregiver
Sessions



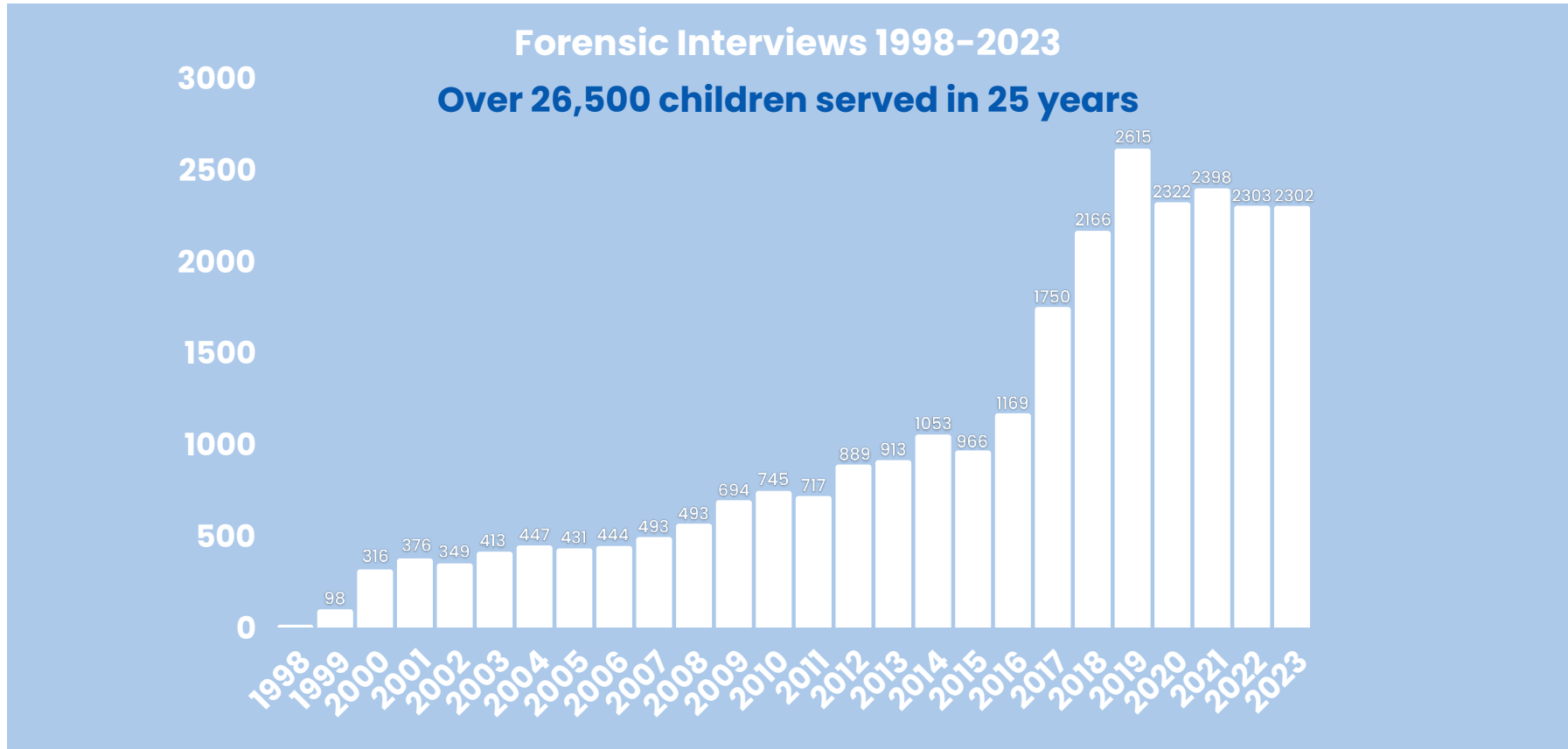
4,958
counseling
sessions held

336 family
sessions

162 Children
Completed
Therapy with a
reduction in
symptoms



CHILDREN SERVED



2,302
Forensic
Interviews
conducted in
2023

1,943
Disclosures of
abuse were made
in a Forensic
Interview in 2023

96% of
perpetrators
were someone
that the child
knew

JUSTICE

The Children's Advocacy Center movement began from the vision of a child abuse prosecutor in Huntsville, Alabama. The intent to not re-victimize children from having to retell their story in an ongoing investigation, has remained central to our mission nationwide for over 30 years.

For over 25 years Children's Safe Harbor staff have worked alongside dedicated law enforcement and prosecution teams from Montgomery, Walker and San Jacinto Counties to sanction child predators.

[Visit our website to learn more about their heroic achievements](#)



Montgomery County Sheriff's Office SVU Team



Huntsville Police Department and Montgomery County Sheriff's Office SVU Detectives, Walker County DFPS, and CSH Staff

In the past five years, the detectives assigned to The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Special Victims Unit (SVU) have reviewed over 16,000 Child Protective Service reports and investigated over 1,300 of the most heinous crimes imaginable. In that time, these men and women have **arrested and charged over 400 child predators with these defendants receiving over 2,500 combined years in prison.**

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Children's Safe Harbor Celebrated 25 Years of Service September 22, 2023 Luncheon Event

Children's Safe Harbor is the only organization in our communities that coordinates with local law enforcement, children's protective services, and medical and behavioral health care systems to provide effective, efficient, and child-centered investigations and healing services. **For over 25 years, your belief and support in the model has proven that it only takes one person to make a difference in the lives of our children, their families, and community.**

Total Net Raised at Luncheon: **\$30,603**

Naming Donation:

\$50,000 Counseling Room

George & Amy Sowers



Pictured from left: Dr. Victoria Constance, Executive Director, CSH; Margaret Hoelzer, keynote speaker, Olympic Gold Medalist Swimmer; Scott and Kim Perry, luncheon co-chairs; Matthew Rodrigue, President of the Board of Directors for CSH and Chief of Spring ISD Police Department, and his wife, Kelly.



Jay Dreibelbis, President and CEO of Woodforest National Bank; George & Amy Sowers

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Pictured from left: Christin Allphin, Executive VP, Managing Director of Healthcare and Business Banking for Woodforest National Bank and Chairman of The Woodlands Area Economic Development Partnership (EDP); Holly Gruy, COO of EDP; Dan Michalk, Founder of Waterway Wealth Management, and Judge Lisa Michalk; Margaret Hoelzer, keynote speaker; Gil Staley, CEO of EDP; Jay Dreibelbis, President and CEO of Woodforest National Bank; and Robert Marling, Chairman and CEO Woodforest Financial Group and President of Woodforest Charitable Foundation.



Pictured from left: Danny Struzick, Tellepsen, Jeff Pate, Gauge Real Partners, Jason Tramonte, Tramonte Design, Jessica Foster, Tellepsen, Brian Attaway, Gauge Real Estate Partners, Oliver Sanchez, Tramonte Design, Charlie Bowell, Telios, Henry Escobar, Tellepsen



Ron Cooke, Cyndi Allen, and Carmen Wainwright



Dan Michalk & Judge Lisa Michalk



Judge Vince Santini & Mary Santini

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Metcalfe Secures Major Funding in State Budget for Children's Safe Harbor's New Facility

Texas House of Representatives, 16th District, Will Metcalfe states, "I am extremely proud that we were able to secure \$5 million in the state budget for Children's Safe Harbor's new facility and permanent home," Metcalfe stated. "This vital funding gets us closer than ever before to finally breaking ground on a beautiful campus that will not only allow Children's Safe Harbor to continue their critical work on behalf of abused children and their families, but to expand that work and the victims they serve for decades to come."



Texas House of Representatives, 16th District, Will Metcalfe & his wife Megan Metcalfe, and Deputy Chief of Staff, Sarah Henry, and Christina Sato

\$5,000 Sponsors at Event

Tellepsen

Waterway Wealth Management

Woodforest National Bank

Todd Ware

Naming Donors Throughout 2023

Estate of Barbara J. DeVaney: \$2mm

The John M. O'Quinn Foundation: \$100k

Elkins Foundation: \$50k

George & Amy Sowers: \$50k

Neskora Family Charitable Fund \$25k

\$2,500 Sponsors at Event

Juanna Brandon

Huffman and Levantino Family

Hutson Realty Partners

Pritchard Industries

San Jacinto Child Welfare Board

The Sloan Group

Judge Vince Santini

Jay & Beth Workman

Texas Children's Hospital

As part of its commitment to social responsibility, the Sam Houston Corvette Club donated \$7,000 to Children’s Safe Harbor in April 2023. The club has been giving since 2018 for a total of \$31,421.

Sam Club President Joel Henenberg said, “While Corvette ownership and related activities are at the center of the Sam Houston Corvette Club, our core values extend beyond simply car ownership. One of those values is to dedicate some of our resources to support organizations that provide assistance to members of our community in need. Children’s Safe Harbor is an outstanding example of such an organization. Their dedication to ending child sexual abuse and trauma brings hope to many with proven programs that can heal and create a pathway to healthy, whole lives. We are most pleased to provide our Club’s financial support to help Children’s Safe Harbor realize their mission and to make our community a better place to live, work and play.”



Tellepsen Raises \$110,816 for Children’s Safe Harbor

Tellepsen hosted a poker tournament on September 28, 2023 which raised \$110,816 for Children’s Safe Harbor. At the December 11, 2023 Bikers gainst Child Abuse holiday party, Tellepsen’s Bikes 4 Smiles Campaign, donated 20 bikes that were raffled for our beautiful children in need.

Conroe Masonic Lodge #748



Conroe Masonic Lodge #748 donated toys and \$100 for the families we serve in December 2023

Union Pacific Railroad



**UNION PACIFIC
FOUNDATION**

The Union Pacific Railroad Foundation awarded Children's Safe Harbor \$2,500.00 for staff and community training

Apricity Foundation



The Apricity Foundation gave \$12,000.00 to help ensure all clients receive trauma free counseling services and other needed resources

2023 Holiday Giving

- The Manners Coole Foundation: \$60,000.00
- Robert & Kim Marling: \$12,500.00
- John Frere III & Marla Sanchez: \$10,000.00
- Louetta Walker: \$10,000.00
- Huchton Family Foundation: \$7,000.00
- Troy & Christy Koteris: \$5,000.00
- Woodforest Financial Group: \$5,000.00
- Tammy Jordan: \$5,000.00
- David B. Hendricks Foundation: \$5,000.00
- Montgomery County District Attorney: \$5,000.00
- Sandy Lee: \$4,887.16
- The Noack Foundation: \$4,000.00
- Kyle & Beth Reneau: \$3,000.00
- Jon Dumas: \$3,000.00
- Montgomery County Medical Society: \$2,500.00
- Paul & Connie Kline: \$2,000.00
- Mary Aperauch: \$2,000.00
- Diane J. Bass: \$1,500.00
- Montgomery County Law Enforcement Association: \$1,000.00
- Schwab Charitable Fund: \$1,000.00
- JW & Lou Ann Montana Pflugrath: \$1,000.00

Community Involvement



April 2023 Impact

April marks National Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month. April 2023 Children's Safe Harbor made an impact across the community during April 2023 from meeting with hundreds of students at Sam Houston State University to speak about our services and the signs and symptoms of child abuse, setting up pinshweels in church lawns, and our annual pinwheel display. Children's Safe Harbor's annual pinwheel display for 2023 took place in front of Montgomery County Constable Precinct 3 Ryan Gable, where 2,303 pinwheels were displayed in honor of all the children that walked through our doors in 2022.

Adopt a Family 2023 Drive

Each year Children's Safe Harbor runs a holiday drive where families that we serve are matched with a donor who wants to make their Christmas special. In 2023 we had 52 families that were provided holiday gifts in addition to household necessities and food support.

Volunteer Information:

We need your help! Volunteers play an essential role at our high capacity children's advocacy center by providing a welcoming and supportive environment to the families we serve. Direct service volunteers come on site to provide child and family support and facility management.

If you are interested in learning more on how you can get involved visit our website or give us a call!



THANK YOU!

Here is how your continued support impacts the lives of children for the better...

In 2023, the San Jacinto County District Attorney's office handled multiple cases involving the sexual assault of children. One case resulted in a life sentence, while the other cases totaled 95 years.

Jesus "Jesse" Rodriguez was found guilty of Continuous Sexual Abuse of Young Children of 2 young girls on Thursday, March 2, 2023 and received 30 years in prison. The jury heard testimony from multiple witnesses including the CSH forensic interviewer and counselor.

On March 20, 2023 Gary Russell Motter of San Jacinto County was found guilty on two counts of Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child younger than 14 years of age and sentenced to 40 years in prison. Jurors heard testimony from deputies from the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office, counselors and the Children's Safe Harbor forensic interviewer. During the punishment phase of the trial, jurors heard testimony from another victim of rape out of Arkansas. Following the trial, District Attorney Todd Dillon thanked the multiple agencies including Children's Safe Harbor for their hard work, care and persistence in the case. "This sentence is a clear message to anyone who would prey on children in San Jacinto County. We will protect our children by holding you accountable," said Dillon. "Children should be able to rely on their parents and stepparents, not be violated by them."

On November 2, 2023, Steven Clary was found guilty of Sexual Assault of a Child and received life in prison. The sexual assault occurred in Shepherd, Texas. The initial outcry was made by two young boys related to Clary. Detective Sheik recovered images on the defendant's phone that corroborated the children's statements. The sexual assaults occurred after Clary was released from prison after serving time for Indecency with a Child.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Victoria Constance, MSPH, Ph.D., Matt Rodrigue- President, Reynaldo Saldares- Vice President, Ryan Hutson- Treasurer, Paul Purcell- Secretary, Uriah Barnaby, Robert Austria, Faith Casperson, Tom Casperson, MD, Gurpreet Mukker-Casperson, MD, Sarah Gafvert, RN, BSN, Yesenia Garcia, Dwight Johnson, Jill Parker, Shanna Redwine, JD, Kate Sloan, Laura Smith, Clyde Vogel, Sgt., Cynthia Schlanger

