

# 2016 Annual Report





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## Letter from the Executive Director



Dear Friends and Supporters,

As you are aware, the goal of A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center, Inc. is to provide a coordinated community response to child abuse. A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center, Inc. is a child-centered facility whose focus is to support and protect children and their non-offending caregivers, while coordinating the community response to abuse. We strive to enhance the response to suspected child abuse cases by combining the wisdom and professional knowledge of various investigative agencies and other professional organizations. These coordinated efforts provide the knowledge, skills, and resources necessary to assist suspected victims of child abuse as well as their families.

In 2016, A Child's Voice continued to work with community partners to effectively and compassionately respond to incidents of child abuse in our community. With our presence in the community, the network of partner organizations continues to grow in responding to the child victims of abuse. We also were able to expand our support of the child victims and family through the addition of a new Family Advocate and Community Outreach position.

Since serving our first family in May of 2009, our staff has shown dedication and commitment to providing the best services possible to the children of Newton and Walton counties. Our center continues to maintain full state accreditation with the Children's Advocacy Centers of Georgia (CACGA) and remains one of only 42 fully accredited centers in the state of Georgia. We are also one of only 31 CACs in Georgia accredited by both the CACGA as well as the National Children's Alliance (NCA). These accreditations assert that our center is financially sound and that our services are provided in a professional and standardized manner by appropriately trained staff of the highest quality.

We continue to partner with the National Children's Alliance in conducting a satisfaction survey with the families we serve and our MDT partners. The Outcome Measurement System (OMS) is a powerful evaluation tool that allows CACs to critically examine their performance and identify areas for continuous improvement by surveying child victims, their families, and partner agencies.

The role of A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center throughout the criminal investigation is to focus on the child's needs rather than focusing on the crime itself. The forensic interview process is also child-led and child-driven. After completing a forensic interview with a specially trained interviewer, three out of four elementary aged children are relaxed enough to continue talking about non-abusive topics and continue to engage with interviewers. The adolescent age group often describes a feeling of "relief" and a "weight off of my shoulders" after the interview experience. When observing the body language of these teens, one can see a physical transformation take place from the beginning of the interview compared to the end of the interview. Healing begins for these children when the forensic interview ends.

I would like to thank all of the agencies that partner with us for their dedication to the children in our community and their commitment to the prevention and intervention of child abuse. We are also appreciative of the many community members who have provided the support our center needs to achieve our mission each year. We thank you all for joining us in the fight for happy, healthy childhoods and for helping us ensure that every child has a voice. We look forward to expanding our existing services in 2017 as we continue to work towards our vision of ending child abuse through a coordinated community response: Healing Today's Children – Protecting Tomorrow's.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy S. Burgess". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Nancy S. Burgess, MSW

## Letter from the Chairman of the Board



Dear Friends of A Child's Voice,

In celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> year of existence, it is my distinct honor to present the 2016 Annual Report for A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center. This report reflects 10 years of hard work advocating for the children of Walton and Newton counties. Our primary goal is to provide quality care and aid in the investigation of all child abuse cases where sexual and/or physical abuse is suspected.

Our services also provide support to the law enforcement agencies, the Department of Family and Children Services and the District Attorney's Office of the Alcovy Judicial Circuit, which serves Newton and Walton counties. The intent of this report is to inform the citizens of Newton and Walton counties interested in protecting innocent children, of what is being done on the child's behalf.

Since its inception, A Child's Voice has continually strived to provide the best care and service to those children we serve. This report shows the many activities conducted, services provided, and lives touched during 2016. This report also allows for comparisons to past years and allows the center to plan effectively for the future. Please don't let these numbers paint a bad picture of your community. Even though one abused child is one too many, our numbers also reflect the support A Child's Voice provides. We believe the numbers represent the fact that the issue of child abuse is a serious one, and that more and more people are coming forward and taking a stand to protect the children in their lives.

Since moving to our new location in Social Circle, we have seen our center flourish and our staff and services grow. Now that our center is custom-designed to provide the most quiet, private, and child-friendly environment possible, we find that our ability to meet the child's needs has been greatly improved. None of this could have been possible without the continued support of our communities in both Walton and Newton counties. Without the generous gifts, time, and talents of our friends, supporters, and partners, none of this meaningful work could be accomplished. Thank you for all that you do!

Finally, reaching a milestone of 10 years of effective, quality service, A Child's Voice is honored to be a part of these two communities. We believe that our service is an important component to all other efforts to raise the quality of life in the two counties. None of this would be possible without the sincere dedication of the Board of Directors and the child advocacy center staff for their tireless efforts to make sure every child's voice is heard! I hope that the information provided to you reflects the commitment of both the staff and the Board of Directors to provide the best possible care for those who are too young to speak for themselves.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Stacey L. Cotton".

Stacey L. Cotton  
Chairman  
Board of Directors

## Holly's Story

Holly had a secret – one that made her feel sad and ashamed. It all started when Holly's grandpa moved in with her family after her grandma passed away. Because money was tight, Holly's grandpa would watch her after school instead of her usual babysitter. Holly loved her grandpa and liked it when he babysat her, because he would play games with her. This was when the sad part happened. Holly was sexually molested by her grandpa for nine months before she finally revealed her terrible secret. Holly was at school one day when the child advocate from the local Children's Advocacy Center spoke to her class about child sexual abuse. She told the children that it was not okay for anyone to ever touch them in a way that made them feel bad or sad. Holly knew immediately this was what Grandpa was doing. Holly found the courage to tell her teacher, who promptly called the local Department of Family and Children Services Child Protection Services to report Holly's story.



The next day, Holly and her mother went to A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center, Inc. They were both nervous and didn't know what to expect because Holly would be talking about a horrible personal experience. After the tour and talking with the Family Advocate in the center, she began to feel more comfortable. In the waiting area she played with toys and began to relax. She even got to watch a movie.

After a few minutes, a trained forensic interviewer met with Holly and her mother. The interviewer asked Holly if they could talk. After getting to know Holly, the forensic interviewer slowly began asking Holly about why she was there. It was hard for Holly to talk about the things her grandpa had done to her for so long. The Child Protective Services worker and the law enforcement officer watched the interview from another room, and the interview was videotaped so that Holly would not have to recount the painful details over and over again. Holly described how her grandpa began tickling her but eventually began touching her and doing much worse, hurtful things.

During the interview, Holly's mom sat anxiously in the waiting room with a Family Advocate. She had trouble believing that Holly's grandpa was capable of hurting Holly. But as they talked, Holly's mom began to remember all the times that Holly had always wanted to go over to a friend's house after school. She remembered how her daughter used to be fun-loving and active, yet, now she was frequently withdrawn and sad. Eventually, she too was able to talk about her anger, grief and feelings of betrayal.

After the interview, the Child Protection Services worker, the forensic interviewer and the law enforcement officer talked with Holly's mom and realized she would be supportive of her and keep her safe. Holly had a medical examination by a SANE in the center and, with the use of telemedicine equipment, a physician with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, who was able to relieve some of Holly's greatest fears about her body. Holly's mother was also able to speak with the physician and the nurse in order to answer any questions she might need to address.

As Holly was receiving the medical examination, the team met quickly to review their notes. It was obvious that grandpa had not only abused Holly but had taken many pictures of her that the team suspected he had uploaded to pornographic sites. The police detectives immediately secured a search warrant and seized his computer, which contained many pornographic images of Holly and other girls in addition to home videos and other evidence. He was arrested and interviewed by a detective trained to interview child abusers.

During the next six months, Holly and her mother participated in therapy to help them deal with the trauma and turmoil created by the abuse. The multi-disciplinary team, consisting of Child Protective Services, law enforcement, the District Attorney's office, counselors, and the forensic interviewer, continued to meet to coordinate the investigation and monitor the family's need for support. Eventually, Holly's case was presented to the Grand Jury, who voted to indict. The case was taken to trial and her grandpa was sentenced to 45 years in prison for abusing Holly and two other neighborhood girls.



## Words from families we've worked with...

**"The staff was very attentive, patient, and sympathetic to our concerns."**

"Thank you so much for promptly helping me and (my child) through these tough times. We love you. God bless you all. Thank you so much over and over.

*"After a very difficult time, we finally felt like we had a team of support on our side."*

"They listened and gave me wonderful advice to help both of us get through this terrible situation."

"I really appreciated how welcomed and safe they made my child feel. Amazing staff all the way around. Couldn't have asked for a better experience, considering the circumstances."

**"We are so grateful for the way that everyone at A Child's Voice CAC cared for each of us during this time of family crisis."**



“A Child's Voice CAC is an instrumental part of ensuring the children of Newton and Walton Counties receive the services they need after a traumatic event. Not only do they provide quality forensic and medical exams for children who are victims of sexual or physical abuse, they also ensure that these children receive the follow-up services that are so crucial to the healing process. A Child's Voice CAC works closely with community partners, such as DFCS, Law Enforcement, and various mental health providers to ensure that abused children receive all the follow-up that they need. A Child's Voice also leads monthly Multi-disciplinary Team Meetings to ensure that everything that needs to occur legally and therapeutically for these abused children takes place. They are a great asset to both counties and the many families that rely on their services.”

**Doug Morgan, LCSW**

**Clinical Supervisor**

**Pathways Transition Programs**

## About

### Mission Statement

A Child's Voice exists to strengthen a coordinated community response to situations of child maltreatment, including sexual abuse, physical abuse, and witness to abuse and homicide, by integrating the existing resources of law enforcement, child protection, prosecution, medical, and therapeutic agencies, so that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions and the children are protected. A Child's Voice also exists to facilitate and support organizations and individuals whose efforts are directed toward child abuse and prevention.

### What Is A Child Advocacy Center?

The purpose of a CAC is to provide a child-friendly environment where forensic interviews and medical examinations can be performed in order to assist law enforcement officers and child protective services workers in determining the validity of allegations. This helps to ensure that the child can be protected, the guilty are prosecuted, and the innocent are not wrongly charged. Interviews are conducted by professionally-trained forensic interviewers and are videotaped to avoid multiple interviews and preserve statements for future legal actions. Children are also able to receive specialized medical services from staff that are familiar with such situations and know how to relate

to the children's fears as well as the medical issues specific to this type of trauma. Children and families are referred as appropriate for counseling services. In addition, CACs engage in community education to help in the prevention of child abuse and to teach appropriate responses by adults.

***"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."***

**- Margaret Mead**

### History

A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center, Inc., a private 501(c)3 non-profit organization, was established in 2006 as a collaborative effort by different agencies in the child protective services and law enforcement fields of the

Alcovy Judicial Circuit, along with the Child Protection Center at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA). In December 2008, A Child's Voice CAC relocated to Loganville where we remained until December 2012, when a permanent location was purchased in Social Circle, Georgia. After some renovations, we moved in April 2013 and held an Open House June 13, 2013. The new space is centralized to our service area and has allowed us more space to provide our services to children in a private and child-friendly setting. In 2009, the center was awarded full membership into the Child Advocacy Centers of Georgia (CACGA), the organization that sets standards and monitors compliance for child advocacy centers in the state of Georgia. Also that year, the Child Abuse Protocol was amended to include participation by A Child's Voice. In 2010, the center received full accreditation from National Children's Alliance (NCA), the national organization that monitors compliance of child advocacy centers across the United States. We have continually maintained full accreditation with both organizations.





## Facility

When the children come in with their accompanying non-offending caregivers, there is a comfortable waiting area with a variety of age-appropriate toys, books, movies, and games. The center is decorated with an aquatic theme throughout. There is also an interview room, a separate viewing room for law enforcement, child protective services, and/or any other agencies involved, and a private medical exam room.

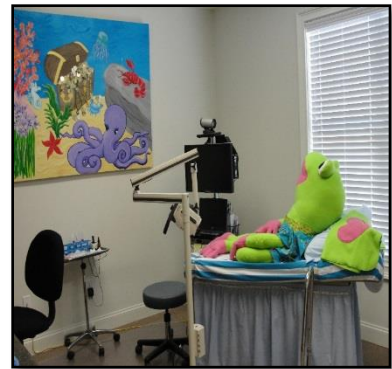


## Telemedicine

Our center continues the relationship with CHOA as a telemedicine location. We were one of the two original locations to implement this use of technology that allows healthcare professionals at our center to conduct audibly and visually, in real time, with a pediatrician at CHOA throughout the process who can respond to parent/guardian questions and concerns.

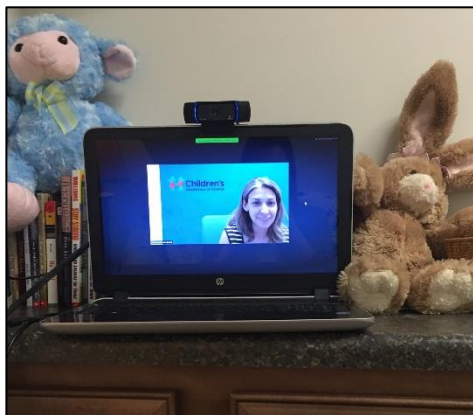
Telemedicine is a means of using technology to provide or support specialized medical evaluation and care at a distance. The concept of telemedicine is increasing nation-wide and offers many benefits, including:

- Increased availability of medical experts to evaluate and to provide second opinions to children requiring exams
- Reduction in the number of children and professionals traveling to distant locations for medical evaluations
- Improvement in local expert court testimony with subsequent increase in successful court actions
- Opportunity for a unique training experience for local health care providers



## Telemental Health

In 2016, A Child's Voice with the Stephanie V. Blank Center for Safe and Healthy Children at CHOA began to provide Tele-Mental health to certain children seen at A Child's Voice. Counselors at CHOA meet with children at our center via a live audio and video link, utilizing a webcam. This allows children the access to high quality Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy with no cost to the family, regardless of insurance. This reduces a number of barriers to effective treatment, including cost and travel. It also allows the children to return to our center where they feel comfortable, jumpstarting the therapeutic process, and allows the family advocate to follow-up with the caregivers in person during the appointment.



## Family Advocacy

A Child's Voice Child Advocacy Center hired its first full time Family Advocate in May of 2016 to better provide resources and services for the children and families the center serves. The Family Advocate supports the family through the entire investigative process and beyond. They are responsible for educating the child and family to know what to expect during their appointment, facilitates a meeting and safety plan with the involved caregiver during their appointment, connects families with needed resources, and strives to ensure that both families and children have the support they need to heal from the abuse. This includes maintaining relationships with counseling centers in order to facilitate effective treatment for child victims and their families (when needed). The Family Advocate provides non-time limited follow-up to families to ensure other needs that arise can be met with resources, and is available to prepare children for, and accompany families to, court if the case goes to trial.

***“Children who have the support of an understanding caregiver and effective treatment can recover (from abuse) without long-term effects.”***

- The National Child Traumatic Stress Network

## Multidisciplinary Approach

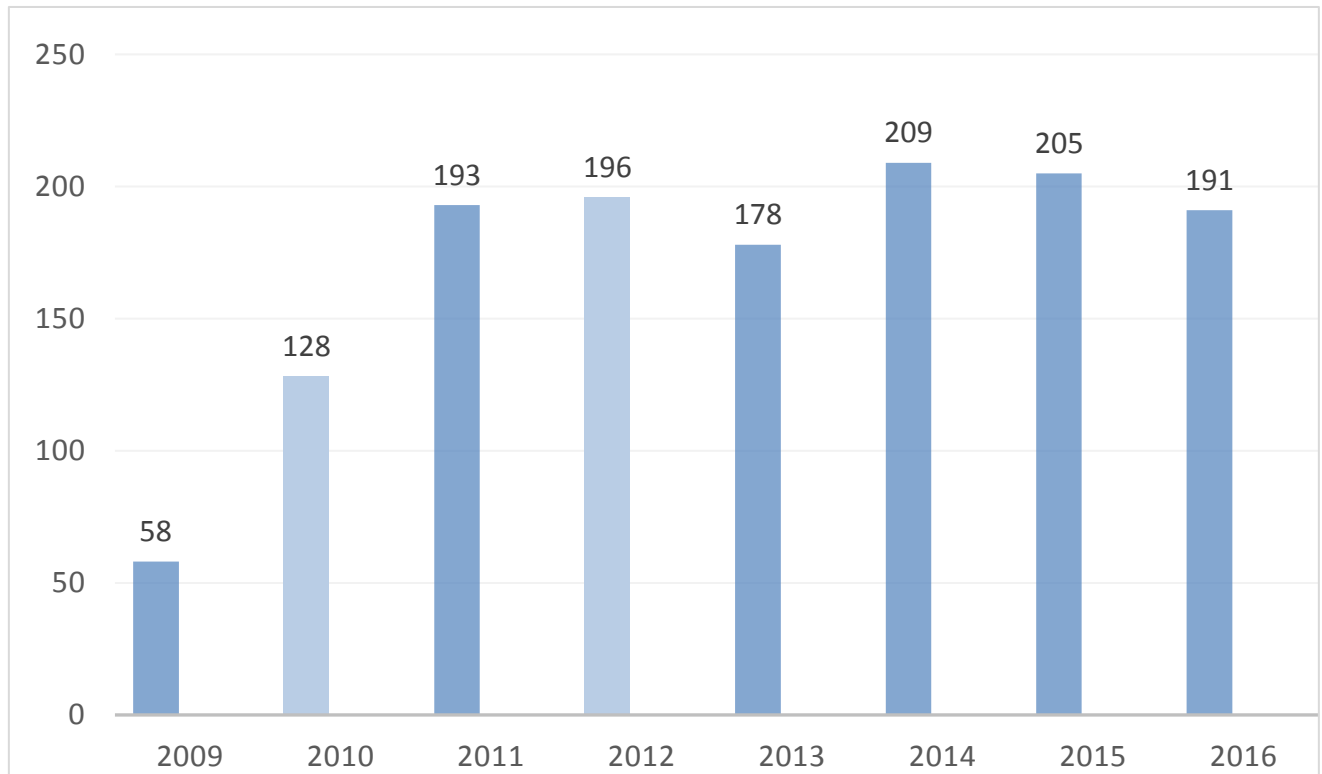
Multidisciplinary teams (MDTs) are groups of professionals from law enforcement, Department of Family and Children Services, counselors, and the District Attorney's Office. Teams from each county served by A Child's Voice in Newton and Walton County, meet once a month to discuss the cases and share information in order to obtain the best outcome for the alleged child victim and his/her family. This teamwork and communication is an essential component of the child advocacy model. When all of the professionals involved in the case are well-informed, they are better able to make decisions that are in the best interest of the children, and readily accessible information increases the chance of successful prosecution of perpetrators.

We also employ the use of the CACGA Multidisciplinary Team Information System (MDTIS), which provides us with case tracking and the ability to produce statistical data regarding the work that we do. This system also allows each center in the CACGA network to identify alleged perpetrators from across the state and relate these cases to the current case in our area. This conflict check provides a warning if the name of a victim or alleged offender was previously entered in another county or judicial circuit. Additionally, any professional or multidisciplinary team member involved in a child's case is able to enter data into the system. With the shared data, we are also able to keep track of factors such as high-risk runaways. The system allows for effective accountability and an enhancement of data collection and reporting functions.

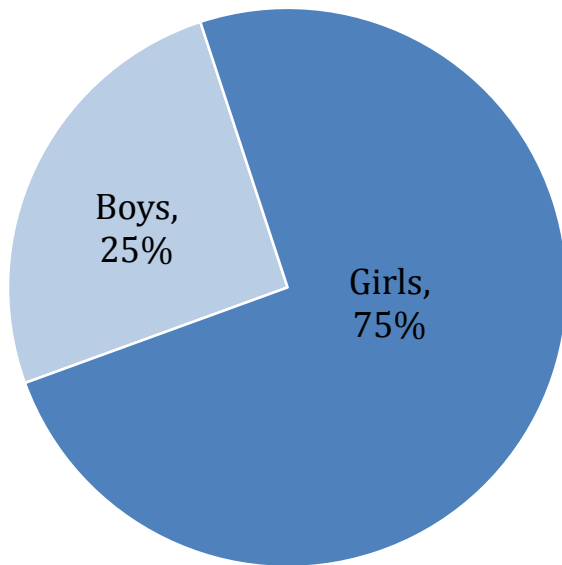
Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (DMST) and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) is an increasing issue in the state and locally within our community. Our MDT works together to help identify and screen children for possible victimization. In the case that a child is a victim of DMST or CSEC, our center provides services for them and refers them for additional services as well.

## Statistics

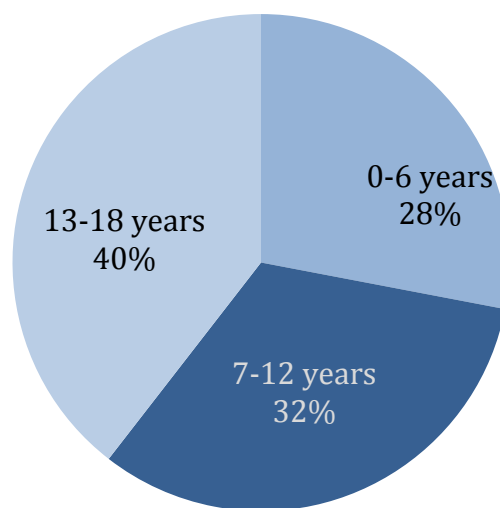
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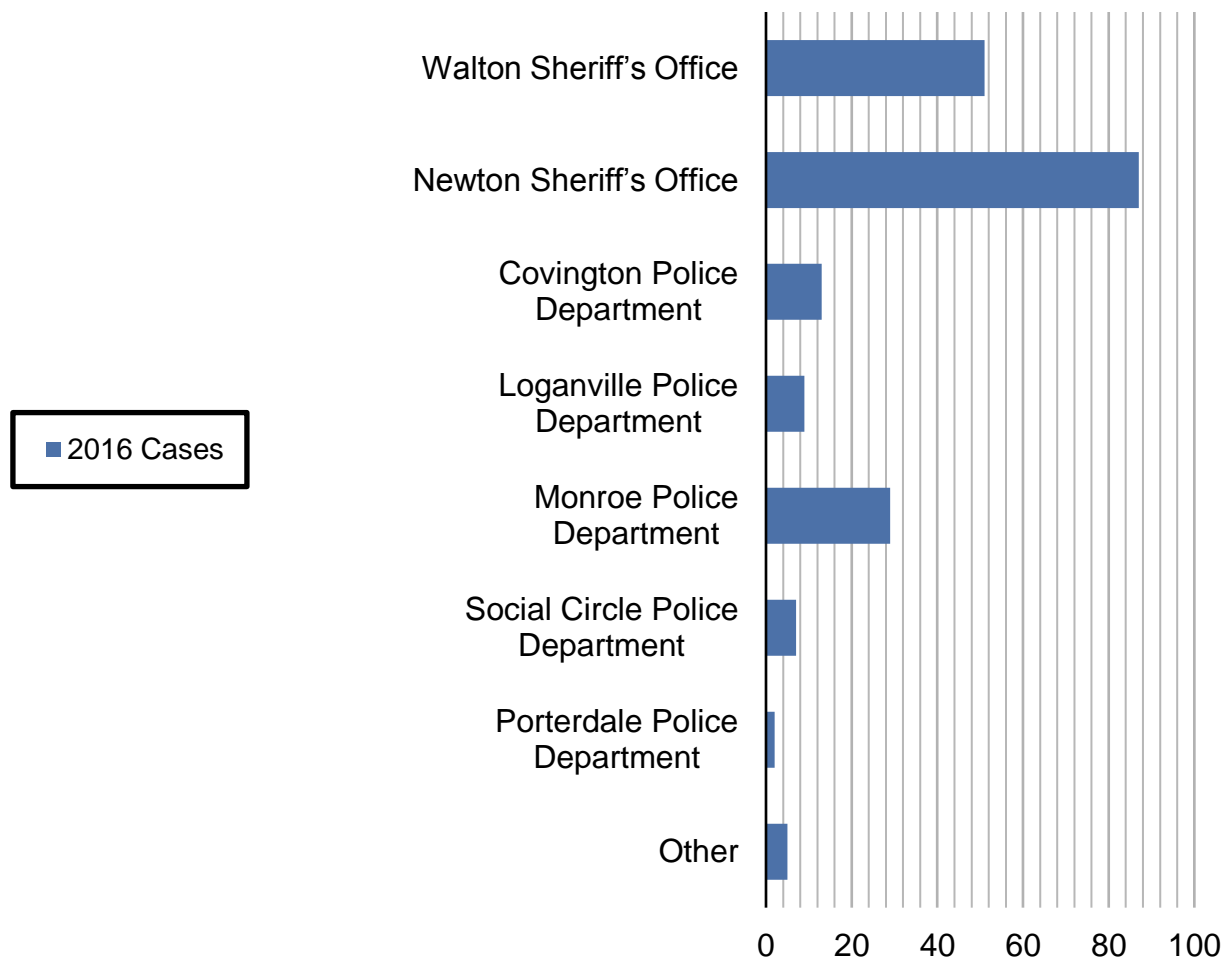
## Gender



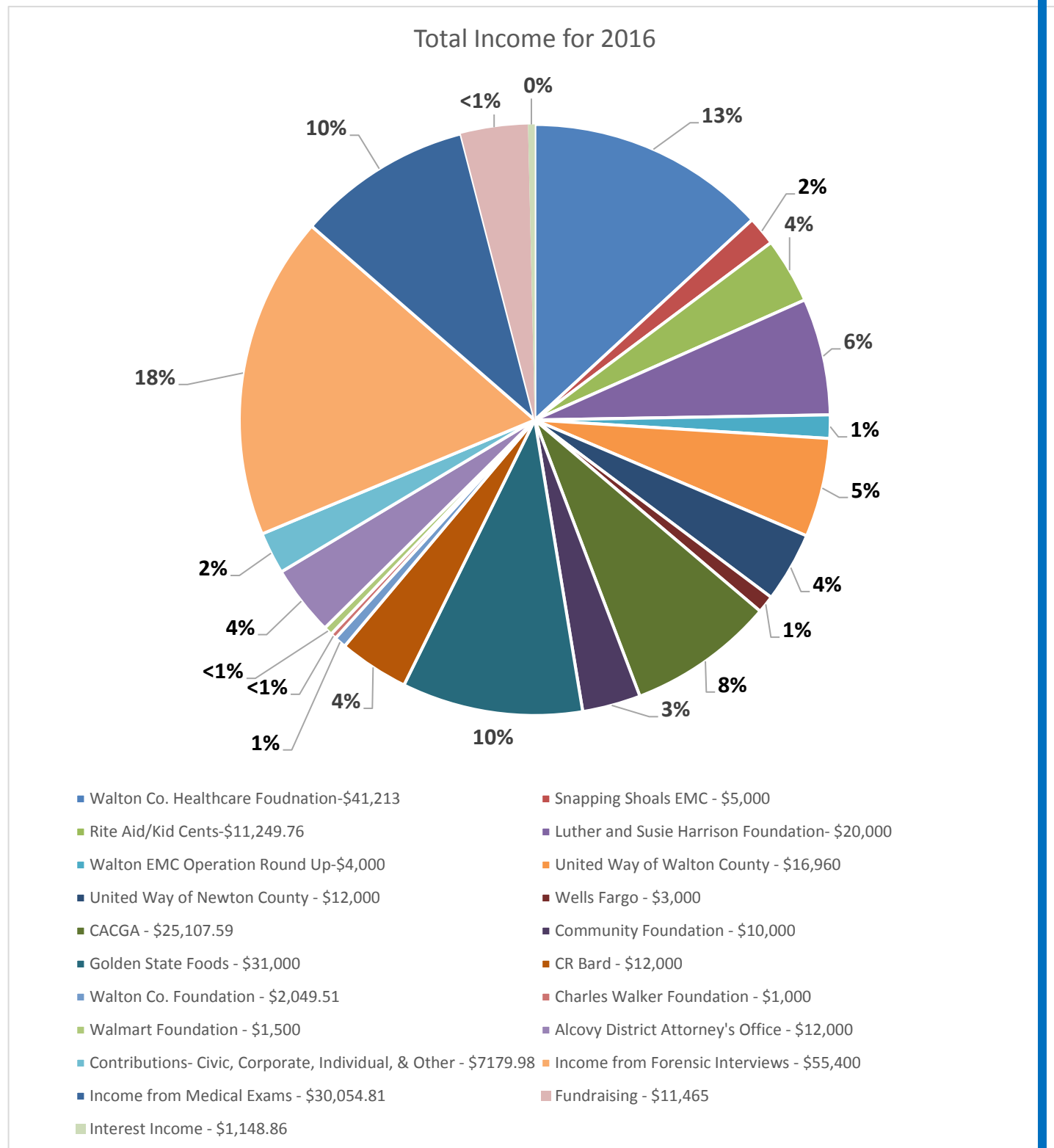
## Age



## Referring Agency Statistics



## Financial Statistics



**= \$313,328.51**



## Board of Directors



### **Chief Stacey Cotton, *Chairman*** - City of Covington Director of Public Safety

Stacey Cotton has served as police Chief for the City of Covington Police Department since 1997. In November 2008 Chief Cotton was appointed Public Safety Director for the City of Covington providing leadership to the Police Department, Fire Department, Covington-Newton County 911 Center, and Municipal Court Services. Chief Cotton's career with the City of Covington has spanned over 22 years, all of it with the Covington Police Department. Chief Cotton is a graduate of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA. In July 2009 Chief Cotton was sworn in as the President of the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police (GACP). Chief Cotton serves on many boards and community programs including Project ReNeWal battered women's shelter and the Covington-Newton County Chamber of Commerce. He is a graduate and former chair of the Leadership Newton County Program, and a graduate of Leadership Georgia 2006. Chief Cotton holds a Master of Public Administration and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice from Troy University.



### **Amy Greenway, *Vice Chairman*** - Edward Jones Financial Advisor

Amy Greenway graduated from Georgia College and State University in 1992. She joined Edward Jones as a financial advisor in 1999 and added the Certified Financial Planner designation in 2012. She has been a limited partner in her firm since 2010. Active in her community, she has been a member of The Kiwanis Club of Loganville since 1999 and has served 2 terms as its president and been recipient of the Kiwanian of the Year award multiple times. She serves on the Loganville Business Advisory Council and is a past board member of the Walton County Chamber of Commerce. She is a board member of Children's Advocacy Center Georgia and is a graduate of Leadership Walton. Together, she and her husband Derrell are active in their church where Amy teaches children's Sunday School. They are also active supporters of a faith based drug rehabilitation center.



### **Lee Garrett, *Treasurer*** - Liberty First Bank, Executive Vice President/CLO

Lee Garrett graduated from UGA with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and from the Graduate School of Banking at LSU. He is currently the Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer at Liberty First Bank in Monroe. Mr. Garrett is also a board member and past Chairman of the Walton County Chamber of Commerce, a Trustee of the Walton Foundation, and a board member and allocations chair of the United Way of Walton County. He has been involved with and has held leadership positions in a variety of civic and community organizations such as the Loganville Lion's Club, Kiwanis Club of Loganville, Monroe and Athens Rotary Club. He is also a graduate of Leadership Walton 1995, Leadership Athens 1998, and Leadership Georgia 2012. He is a member and deacon of First Baptist Church Monroe, and lives in Monroe with his wife, Lisa, and their two children, Tripp and Kendall.



### **Sharon Queen, RN, *Co-Secretary*** - Chief Nursing Executive, Clearview Regional Medical Center

Sharon Queen has been a nurse for more than thirty years specializing in Critical Care and Nursing Administration. She received her BS in Nursing and MBA at Georgia State University. She has served as Chief Nursing Executive for Clearview Regional Medical Center for the past ten years. Her primary focus in her role is patient safety and patient satisfaction. She is a member of First Baptist Church Monroe and lives in Monroe with her husband Hal. She also serves on the boards for The Partnership for Families, Children and Youth and Communities in School.



### **Tom Riermaier, *Co-Secretary*** - Operations Manager for Wal-Mart DC

Tom Riermaier graduated from the University of the Ozarks in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in Sociology. He has worked with Wal-mart since 2005, and has had many different roles in the company, currently an operations manager for DC 6055. Tom worked with troubled adolescents from 1999 - 2001 in a Residential Treatment Center called Positive Impact located in Bahia de Kino, Mexico. Here Tom oversaw training of Milieu Managers and ran group therapy for adolescents in the program. He has taken an interest in the success of our youth in the community. Tom is a member of Athens Church, and lives in Bogart, Georgia with his wife Sommer, and two daughters, Cloe and Sky.



### **Sheriff Joe Chapman –Walton County**

Joe Chapman is a veteran of both the United States Marine Corps and the Georgia Army National Guard. He retired from military service as a Company First Sergeant after over 20 years of service.

He was previously the Chief of Detectives with the City of Monroe Police Department before being elected Sheriff of Walton County in 2004. He is currently a member of both the Georgia and National Sheriffs Associations. He has served on multiple other boards, such as the Lt. Governor's Safety Advisory Board, Congressman Rob Woodall's Military Academy Selection Board, and the Northeast Georgia Police Academy Advisory Board. He is involved with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and attends Centerhill Baptist Church. He lives in Walton County with his wife Tammy and has three sons, Jake, Josh, and Jordan.

### **Priscilla Faulkner, Psy.D. - Social Empowerment Center**



Dr. Priscilla Faulkner holds a bachelor degree in psychology from Converse College. She has a master's in psychology from Georgia College. She also has a master's and doctoral degree in clinical psychology from the Georgia School of Professional Psychology. She has been licensed to practice in Georgia since 1997. She has a special interest in attachment issues, trauma and foster/adoptive families and children. She is a lifelong resident of the Newton County area and is very committed to ensuring that the children of this rural community have all the emotional and behavioral health resources of those in a metro area. Dr. Faulkner is cofounder of Horse Time, Inc., a nonprofit equine facilitated mental health center, serves as the clinical director for Southeastern Psychological Associates, and is a staff psychologist for Social Empowerment Center, Inc.



### **Bob Furnad- Alcovy CASA**

Bob Furnad is a 40-year veteran of broadcast news. He's covered seven presidents and 13 political conventions starting, and produced live coverage of events such as the fall of the Berlin Wall and the explosion of the Challenger. He spent 18 years at ABC and 17 at CNN, has consulted for TV news operations in Kuwait, India and Vietnam, and is the recipient of two George Foster Peabody Awards and two Emmys, among others. In 2001, Furnad joined the Grady School of Journalism at the University of Georgia as an Adjunct Associate Professor, teaching on and off until retiring in 2014. In 2005, Furnad founded FaithWorks, a ministry to assist families in financial emergency. In its first 4 years in operation over half-a-million dollars had been given to landlords and utility providers on behalf of FaithWorks clients. Furnad is currently a Court Appointed Special Advocate in Newton County.



### **Lisa Miller, M.D. – Lisa Miller Pediatrics PC**

Dr. Lisa Miller graduated from Berry College in 1983 with her BA degree in Chemistry. She subsequently attended graduate school at the Georgia Institute of Technology and then went on to medical school at Wake Forest School of Medicine, graduating in 1991. Dr. Miller has practiced pediatrics in the Newton and Rockdale area since 1994. A staunch supporter of her community, she is the manager of the Pediatric Department at Newton Medical Center. Dr. Miller is a resident of Newton County. She is married to Mike Dauphin and has a high-school aged daughter, Gracie.



**Wayne Morgan - Corporate Vice President, Golden States Foods**

Dr. Wayne Morgan is currently a Corporate Vice President and the President of the Meat Group for Golden State Foods, a supplier to many restaurant chains with food products and services. Dr. Morgan is an active member of First Baptist Church Covington with his family. In addition, he has been very involved with the Golden State Foods Foundation since its inception in 2001. The Golden State Foods Foundation supports children and families in need in the local area. Dr. Morgan has a B.S. in Animal Science, M.S. in Animal Science (emphasis on Beef Cattle Production), and a Ph.D. in Animal Science (emphasis on Meat Science), all from Texas A&M University. He has been with Golden State Foods in Conyers for 14 years and currently resides in Mansfield, GA. with his wife Becky and their children, Ame, Wallace, and Abigail.



**Penny Shirley – Community Member**

Penny Shirley graduated from North Georgia College and State University with a Bachelor's of Social Work. She was employed for over 20 years at the Walton County Department of Family and Children Services, where she worked as the Social Services Supervisor in child protective services. She is a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Monroe where she is a devoted Sunday school teacher. She has been an active member and previous Vice President of Walton County Little League. She lives in Social Circle.



**Frank Turner, Jr. – Partner at Greer, Stanfield, & Turner, LLP**

Frank B. Turner, Jr. is a partner in the Covington law firm of Greer, Stansfield & Turner, LLP where his practice focuses on local government law, economic development, estate planning, corporate law and real estate. Turner is a graduate of Washington & Lee University and Mercer University School of Law. Turner is a graduate of the Georgia Academy for Economic Development, Class of 2001, and Leadership Georgia, Class of 2004. Turner has served as chairman of the boards of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, the Georgia Housing and Finance Authority, the Covington Redevelopment Authority, the Newton County Land Trust, the Covington Historic Preservation Commission, and the Fowler Street Redevelopment Company, Inc. He is a member of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church and sits on the boards of United Bank and the Newton County Industrial Development Authority. Turner and his wife Loy reside in their hometown of Covington where they are raising their three children.



**Bill Walker – Executive Vice President, Legacy State Bank**

Mr. Walker is Executive Vice President, Chief Lending Officer and Director for Legacy State Bank, located in Loganville, Georgia. Mr. Walker is a graduate of UGA with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. In addition, he is a graduate of Emory University's Executive Management School. Mr. Walker has worked in the banking industry for 25 years and has held several management positions on both the retail and commercial side of banks in the Atlanta, Conyers and Loganville areas. Mr. Walker is a past board member and past President of the United Way of Walton County. In addition, he has been involved or held board positions with several other civic and community organizations including A Child's Voice Advocacy Center, the Walton County Chamber of Commerce, Loganville Downtown Business Council, Loganville Rotary Club, Conyers/Rockdale Chamber of Commerce - Leadership Rockdale & Ambassador, United Way Rockdale – Director and Loaned Executive, Rotary Club of Rockdale – Director and Treasurer. Mr. Walker is a resident of Bogart, Georgia where he has a wife and two children and he is an active member of Athens First United Methodist Church.



**Layla Zon - District Attorney, Alcovy Judicial Circuit**

Layla H. Zon joined the District Attorney's office in July, 2000 and began prosecuting cases assigned to the courtroom in which she was assigned in Newton County. In 2003, Ms. Zon was promoted to Chief Assistant District Attorney for the Alcovy Judicial Circuit. Ms. Zon continued to prosecute all misdemeanor and felony offenses that were assigned to her before becoming the Major Felony Prosecutor responsible for prosecuting major cases including homicides, armed robberies, white collar crime, and special prosecutions. In August 2010, Ms. Zon was appointed by Governor Sonny Perdue to succeed William Kendall Wynne, Jr., the former District Attorney, when he was appointed the newest Superior Court Judge of the Circuit. Ms. Zon received a B.S. in Government from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia in 1996 and received her law degree from Georgia State University in Atlanta, Georgia in 2000.

## Thank You to Our 2016 Donors!

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Walton County Healthcare Foundation  
Alcovy District Attorney's Office  
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To learn more, send an email to [AChildsVoiceCAC@gmail.com](mailto:AChildsVoiceCAC@gmail.com)

Or call 770-464-0082

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