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# Annual Report



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A letter from our Executive Director, Lori Allen

# "Hope Lives Here"



Dear Supporters and Friends,

As we reflect on the past year at the Gulf Coast Children's Advocacy Center and Gulf Coast Sexual Assault Program, we are reminded that hope lives here. Despite facing record cuts in funding, we remained steadfast in our commitment to our mission of serving children and families affected by abuse and trauma. We are proud to share that despite these challenges, there were no operational cuts at our center.

The resilience of our team was truly remarkable as we rallied together to carry heavier caseloads and support each other in fulfilling our agency's mission. Despite the strain of increased demand and limited resources, our dedication to serving those in need remained unwavering.

Time and time again, we have witnessed the transformative power of our services. Testimonials from individuals who have received support from our center speak volumes about the impact we have made. Whether it was described as life-saving, a Godsend, or providing hope when it was needed most, these testimonials reinforce the importance of the work we do.

We are immensely proud to be part of this incredible team. Together, we have created a place where hope thrives and healing begins. Our collective efforts have made a tangible difference in the lives of countless children and families, providing them with the support and resources they need to navigate their journey toward healing and recovery.

As we move forward into the coming year, we remain committed to our mission and to serving our community with compassion, resilience, and unwavering dedication. With your continued support, we will continue to be a beacon of hope for those who need it most.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in our mission.



# Mission

Gulf Coast Children's Advocacy Center protects and enhances the quality of life for victims of sexual abuse and child abuse in our community. We provide a trauma sensitive, specialized approach to assess, identify, treat, and ultimately prevent sexual assault and child abuse through the coordination of community resources.

Since March of 2000, the Gulf Coast Advocacy Center has transformed the lives of victims of child abuse and sexual violence by offering a refuge for victims and their families to cope with the terrible crimes of child abuse and sexual assault while reducing the fear of further trauma that disclosure and investigation often creates.



# Board of Directors

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# Leadership

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**Lori Allen**  
Executive Director



**Brent Patrick**  
Chief Operations Officer



**Melissa McCadden**  
Chief Financial Officer



**Tiffani Hinds**  
Human Resources  
Director



**Dr. Ahmad Rezk**  
Child Protection Team  
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**Christi Bazemore**  
Child Protection Team  
Coordinator



**Tasha Jackson**  
Trauma Therapy  
Treatment Team  
Coordinator



**Lindsey Townsend**  
Trauma Therapy  
Treatment Team  
Clinical Supervisor



**Sonya Lowe**  
Quality Assurance  
Administrator



**Stephanie Wood**  
Healthy Start/PAT  
Program Coordinator



**La'Tonia Harvis**  
Victim Services  
Program Coordinator



**Lynn Tolbert**  
Victim Services  
Program Coordinator



**Katie Frewin**  
Training & Safety  
Planning Coordinator



**Monique Gorman**  
Victim Services  
Program  
Coordinator

# Program Impact

*We were placed on earth to fulfill a purpose, and that purpose is what gives meaning to our lives, you were sent to the world to make an impact and make a difference*

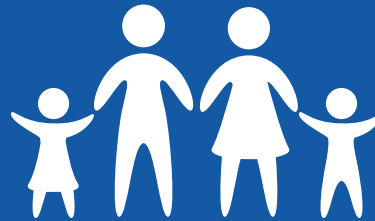
**-Myles Munroe**



## Individuals Served

# 3,581

2,504 NEW CHILD CLIENTS  
1,077 NEW ADULT CLIENTS

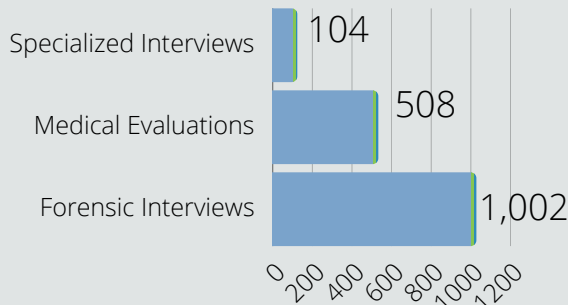


12% INCREASE IN SERVICES IN 2023

**10,146** Hours of Trauma Therapy

**7,810** Case Management Services Provided

## TRAUMA THERAPY



## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

**19,276**

Adults Received Education for Identifying Abuse & Neglect



Children Provided Community Outreach

**1,925**



**Child Protection Team**

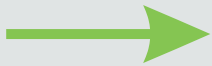


467 Children Served  
 463 Adults Served  
 3,173 Home Visits

Healthy Start  
 of Bay County



Sexual Assault  
 Program



14,947 Services  
 850 Clients  
 78 SANE Exams  
 1,295 Community Outreach

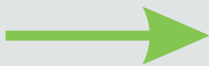


13 Graduations

Parents as  
 Teachers



Student  
 Wraparound  
 Achievement Team



160

Children who have  
 experienced trauma  
 and have academic  
 concerns provided  
 services to increase  
 educational success



658

Ride along hours per  
 month with local law  
 enforcement, providing  
 on site support for those  
 in need of victim services



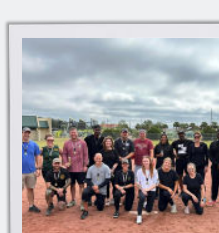
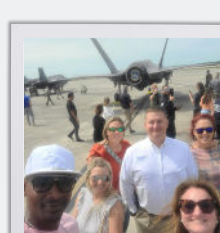
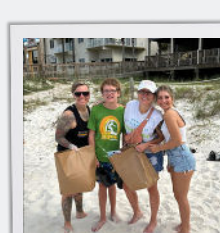
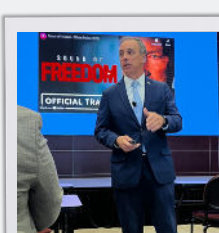
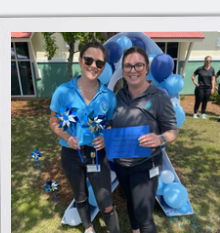
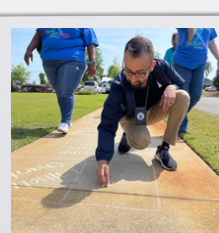
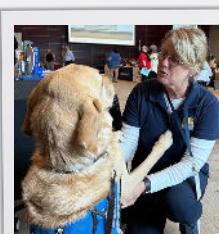
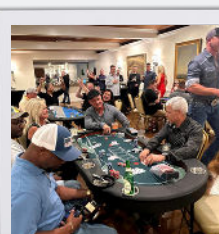
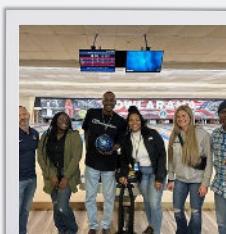
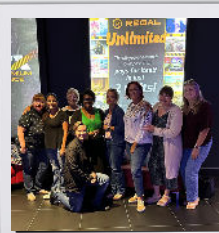
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Victims identified by  
 Justice Coordinators who  
 would have otherwise  
 missed out on services

Justice  
 Coordination



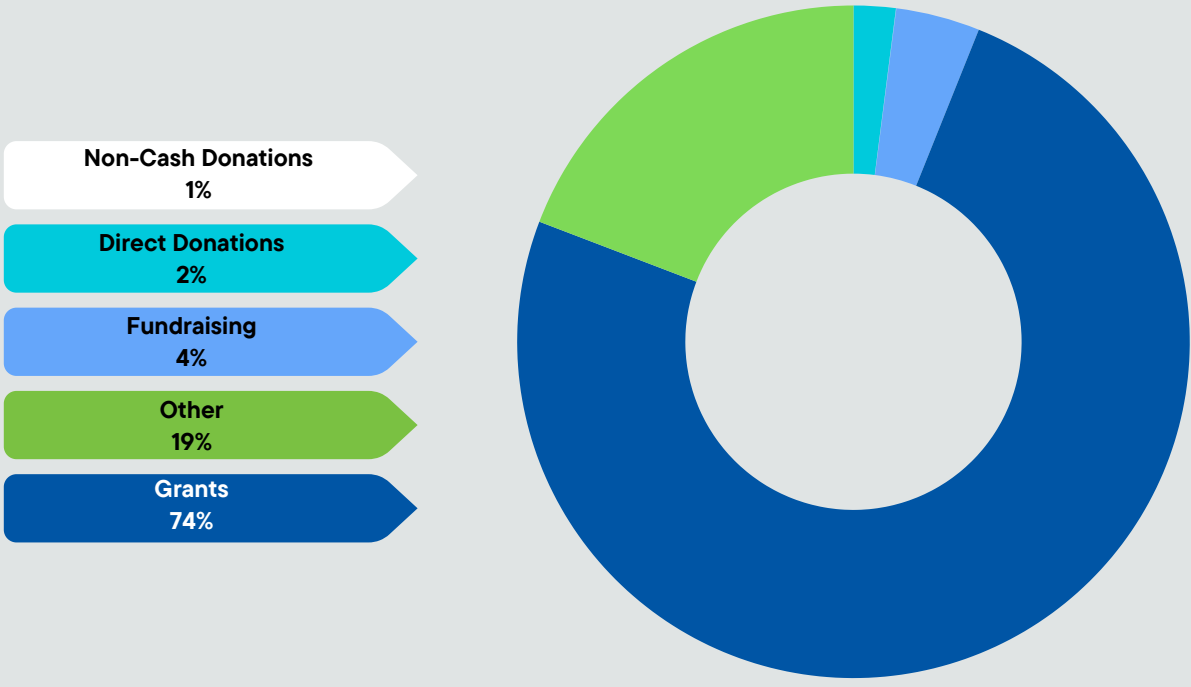
# 2023 Highlights



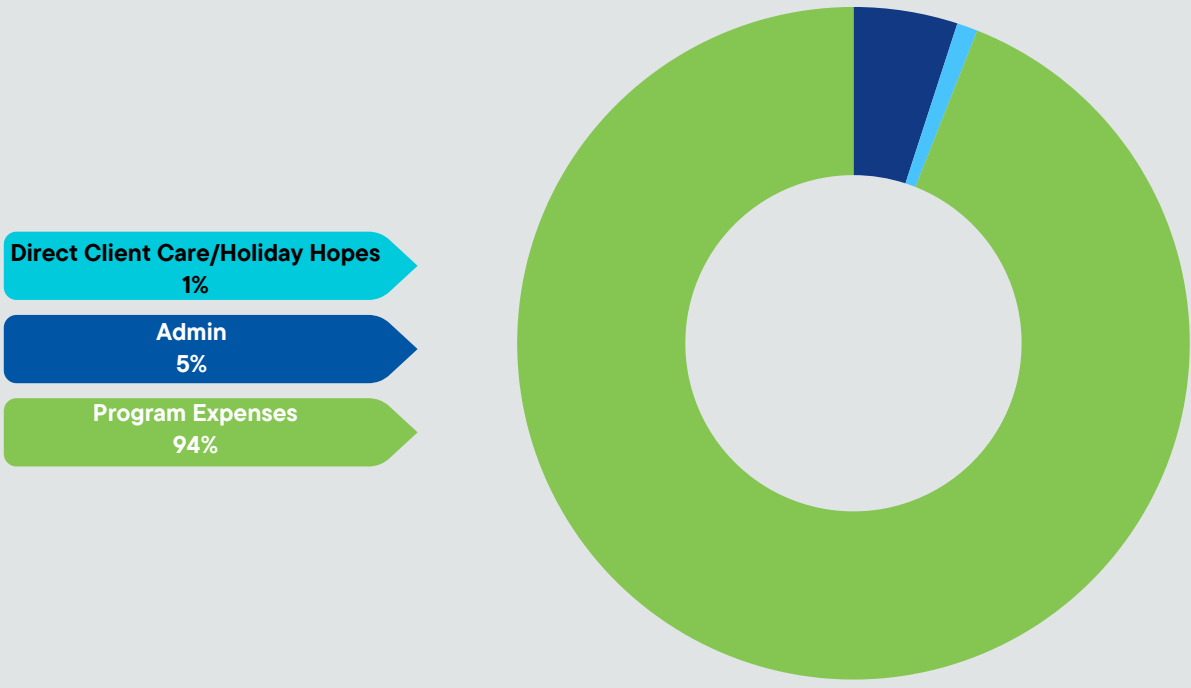


# Finances

**INCOME: \$12,122,905**



**EXPENSES: \$11,238,155**





# Special Thank You



- Aaron Rich Marketing
- Acentria
- Alamo Pawn
- Annie's Hideaway Pub
- Ash & Stone Boutique
- Bay County Disc Golf Inc
- Bay County Sheriff's Office
- Bay Health Foundation
- Bay Point Golf Club
- Bayside Bingo
- Beachy Beach Real Estate
- Billfish Tournament
- Bingo Paradise
- Brent Patrick
- Broward County Board of County Commissioners
- Byrd Family Foundation
- Carillon Beach Chapel
- Cedar Creek at Deepoint Lake Inc
- Centennial Bank
- Central Panhandle Association of Realtors
- Charles A. Whitehead Foundation, Inc.
- Charlie Coram's Place
- Charlotte Claire Foundation
- Coastal Heritage Realty
- Coastal Plumbing
- Color Press Printing
- Community Services of Bay County
- Creamer's Tree Service
- Daffin Insurance
- Dermatology Solutions Group, LLC
- Don and Bubba, Counts Real Estate
- Eastern Shipbuilding
- Enterprise Holdings Foundation
- Firefly
- First Choice Physical Therapy
- First Federal Bank
- G&P of Bay County, Inc
- Greg Abrams Seafood
- Gulf Coast Utility Contractors, LLC
- Hammer Down Development
- Hancock Whitney Bank
- Holy Nativity Episcopal Church
- iHeartmedia
- Innovations Bank
- Jerry Wilson Roofing
- Jessika Jordan, New American Funding
- Judge and Mrs. James Fensom
- Junior League of Emerald Coast
- Kresta Brown
- Larry Basford
- Linea Peninsular, Inc
- Lori & Brandon Allen
- Mack & Eleanor Lewis Foundation
- Manuel & Thompson
- Michael Moore
- Murphy Family Fund
- Nareshkumar Patel Charitable Lead Trust
- National Christian Foundation (SAFE)
- Outlaw Home Inspections
- Panhandle Credit Union
- Panhandle Engineering
- Panhandle Pediatric Dentistry
- Parvanas Fundraiser
- Pathway To Progress Inc
- Paul and Ann Wolhford
- PC Golf Carts LLC
- Peaden
- Perry & Young, P.A.
- Pineapple Willy's
- Pons Child Development Center
- Premium Indoor & Outdoor
- Redmonds, Inc.
- Rhonda Lewis
- Rivertown Community Church
- Sanford C. Bernstein & Co, LLC
- Shipwreck Island Waterpark
- St. Joe Community Foundation Inc.
- St. John The Theologian
- Suzanne Vickers Construction Inc.
- Thacker Construction of NW FL INC
- The Clemons Company
- The Helms Family
- The Law Office of Lucy C. Collins, P.A.
- The Premier Property Group, LLC
- The Sleep Center
- Think Real Estate
- Tiffani and Paul Hinds
- Tracy's Fine Jewelry
- Treehouse Apartments, Inc.
- Tyndall Federal Credit Union
- United Community Bank
- United Way of NW Florida
- Virga Law Firm
- Walmart (Callaway and Pier Park)
- Walton County Sheriff's Office
- Washington County Sheriff's Office
- Wewa Films
- Will Lark



# Locations

## Bay County

3109 Minnesota Avenue, Lynn Haven, Florida 32444  
210 East 11th Street, Panama City, Florida 32401  
310 East 11th Street, Panama City, Florida 32401  
303 Magnolia Avenue, Panama City, Florida 32401  
531 Jenks Avenue, Suite C, Panama City, Florida 32401  
16201 PCB Pkwy #103, Panama City Beach, Florida 32413  
2353 Jenks Avenue, Panama City, Florida 32405

## Gulf County

212 Highway 98, 3rd Floor, Port Saint Joe, Florida 32456  
101 Reid Avenue, Port Saint Joe, Florida 32456

## Calhoun County

20846 Central Avenue, Blountstown, Florida 32424

## Jackson County

2917 Optimist Drive, Suite C, Marianna, Florida 32448  
4357 Lafayette Street, 2nd Floor, Marianna, Florida 32448

## Washington County

685 5th Street Chipley, Florida 32428  
777 Main Street, Bldg G2, Suite 1, Chipley, Florida 32428

## Holmes County

112 Virginia Avenue Bonifay, Florida 32425

## Walton County

495 Grand Blvd, Suite 206, Miramar Beach, FL 32550

## Okaloosa County

6 Eleventh Avenue, Suite H5, Shalimar, FL 32579  
114 Cedar Avenue, Suites 102 & 104, Crestview, Florida 32536

## Santa Rosa County

4014 Highway 90, Pace, Florida 32571

## Escambia County

245 E. Intendencia Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502



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