



2023 Annual Report

letter FROM THE CEO

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Dear Supporters, Partners and Friends,

We have experienced unprecedented enthusiasm and hope at the Child Advocacy Network (CAN) throughout the past year. As we reflect on our journey and look forward to the future, I am excited to share our progress, vision, and important changes that took place last year.

Brand Transformation:

One of the significant developments for CAN in 2023 was our brand transformation. We are proud to announce that we have officially changed our name to the Child Advocacy Network, reflecting our unwavering dedication to championing the rights and well-being of children. This transformation is more than just a name change; it signifies our continued commitment to being a voice for those who need it most.

New Logo:

Our new logo captures our mission's essence with a symbol representing home, hope, and healing. It encapsulates the spirit of CAN and our relentless pursuit of creating a brighter future for children.



New Facility:

In a momentous step towards realizing our vision, we are thrilled to announce the opening of a new state-of-the-art facility dedicated to supporting children who have suffered abuse. This 34,000-square-foot facility provides children with a safe haven, offering multidisciplinary services to aid their healing and recovery. With this new facility, we can significantly expand our capacity to serve children and families looking for hope in healing from the trauma of abuse.

A Vision of Hope:

As we look ahead to the coming year and beyond, our vision remains clear: to build a world where every child can grow up free from abuse, with their potential fully realized. With the support of our incredible community of supporters, this vision can become a reality.

Your continued support, whether through financial contributions, volunteer efforts, or advocacy, fuels our mission. Together, we are a beacon of hope for children in northeastern Oklahoma, and together, we can change the course of countless lives.

In conclusion, I want to express my profound gratitude to the Tulsa community of supporters. Your commitment to our cause and your belief in our mission drive our work and fuel our determination to make a difference.

Thank you for being a part of the Child Advocacy Network family. Together, we will continue to be a force for good in the lives of children.

Together We CAN,



Maura Guten
CAN President and CEO

STATEMENT OF **purpose**

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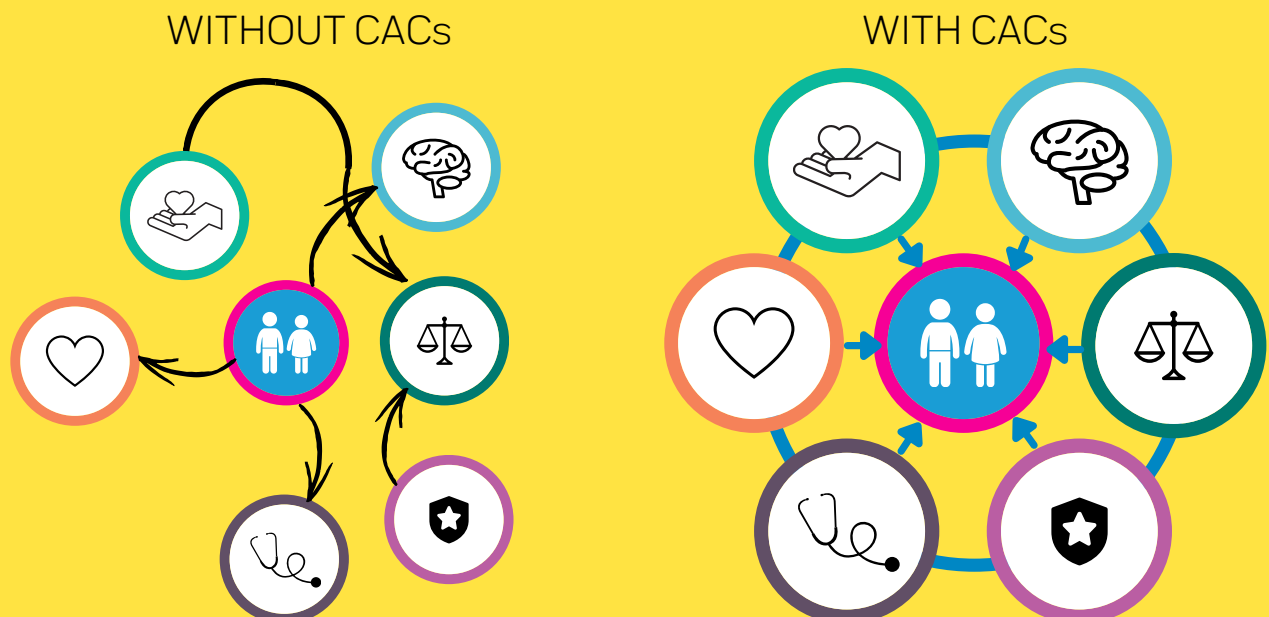
The Child Advocacy Network (CAN) exists to reduce the trauma that a child abuse investigation can pose for a child. Before our program came into being, children frequently endured stressful examinations and numerous interviews by various agencies in cold, sterile facilities.

CAN owns and manages a specially designed facility where child abuse intervention services are centralized. By enabling medical, mental health, investigative and legal professionals to work together under one roof, CAN minimizes the trauma of multiple child interviews and medical exams, and eliminates duplicate efforts in determining whether abuse has occurred. Most importantly, CAN provides families with referrals to therapeutic and community support services to connect children with the services they need to begin their healing. CAN helps stop the hurt and begin the healing.

To learn more about CAN visit:
www.childadvocacynetwork.org

THE CAC model

The Child Advocacy Network multidisciplinary team includes: Tulsa County Department of Human Services – Child Welfare; OU-Tulsa School of Community Medicine – Department of Pediatrics; United States Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Oklahoma; Tulsa County District Attorney’s Office; Tulsa County Sheriff’s Office; and the Tulsa, Owasso and Broken Arrow Police Departments. The MDT response is focused on the child.



2023 services

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Child abuse damages our community's most vulnerable citizens and often has generational implications. In the context of violence, child abuse is a public health problem that presents complex social and moral dilemmas concerning its cause, effect and remedy. Addressing child abuse requires a comprehensive plan with multiple, coordinated strategies. We strive to provide collaborative intervention services to child abuse victims, so that they are encouraged to embrace a future driven by hope.



1316
mental health
referrals



532
medical
evaluations



64
case
reviews



1387
forensic interviews
conducted



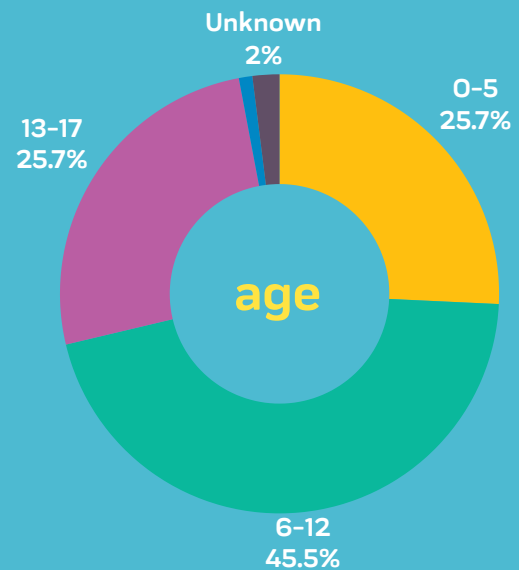
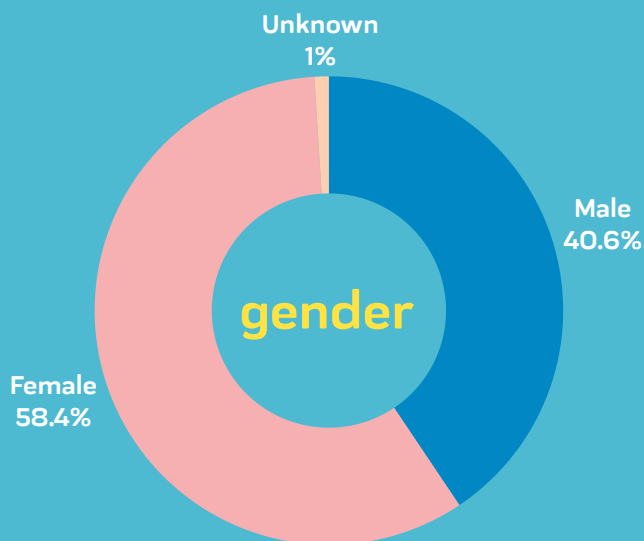
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2023 clients

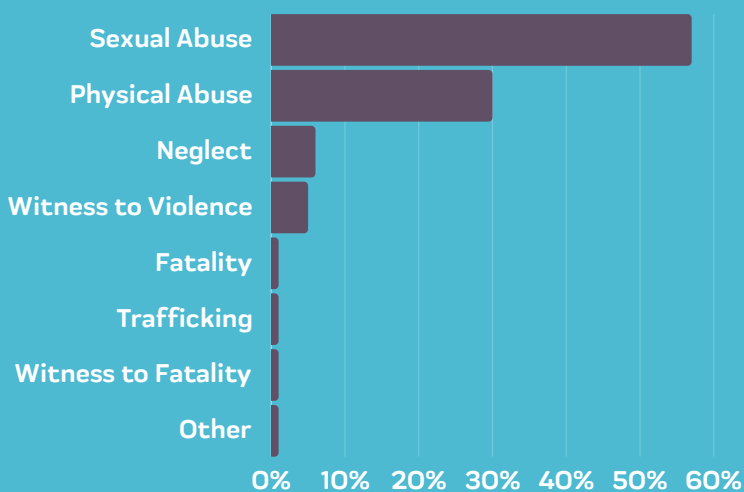
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Children come to the Child Advocacy Network within the first three days after abuse has been reported. In FY 2023, the Child Advocacy Network served 1,629 new clients through 6,693 individual services to children from 24 counties in Oklahoma.

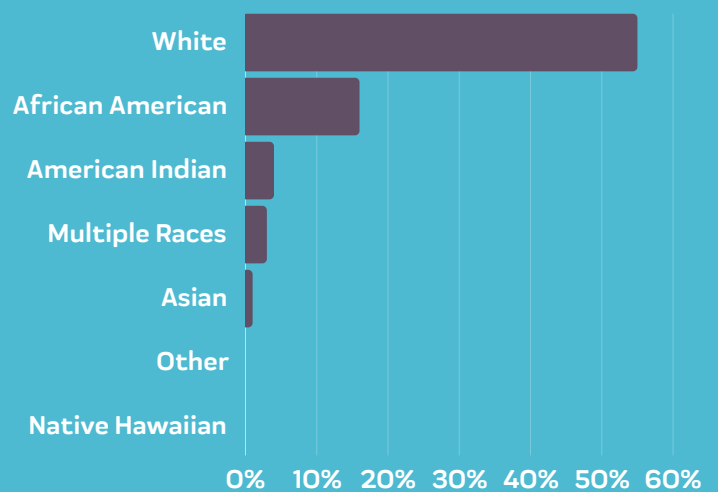
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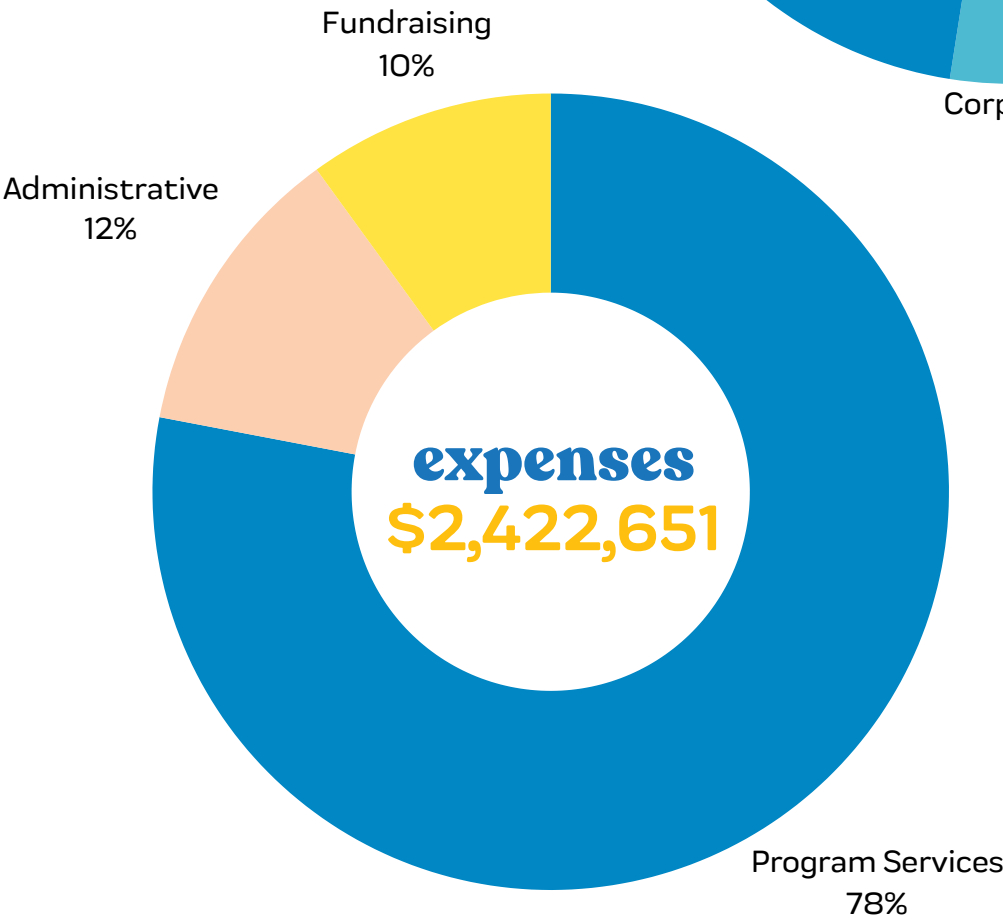
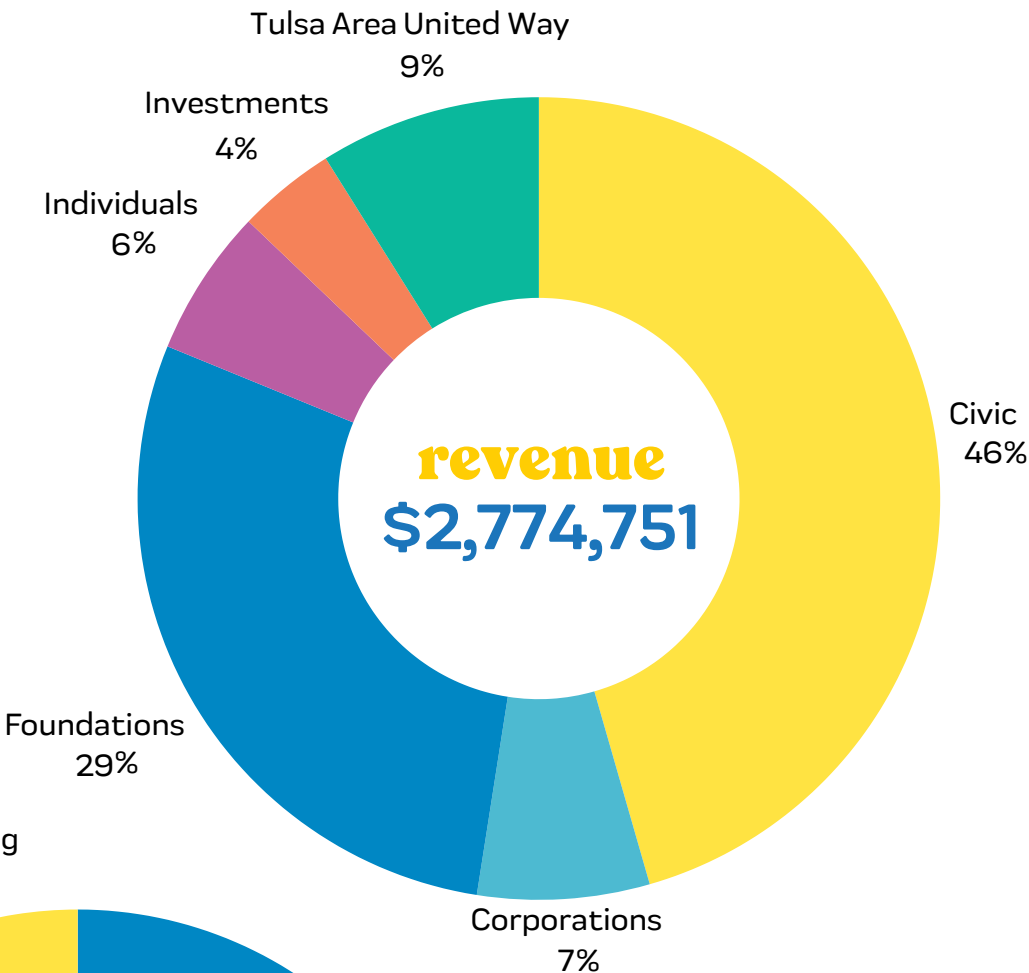
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race



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ON THE COVER: CAN President and CEO Maura Guten cuts the ribbon on the new facility made possible by the completion of the Plan that CAN Capital Campaign.



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