



Kentucky River CAC

WINTER 2018



What We Do.....

At the Children's Advocacy Center, we strive to meet the unique needs of every child and provide support through compassionate, individualized care. The Center offers comprehensive services to the family as a whole to promote healing and prevent future harm. The path to hope and healing starts here.

Enterprise Holdings Foundation

On December 13, 2018 the Care Cottage was presented with a check from Enterprise Holdings Foundation. Thank you Enterprise Holdings Foundation for donating \$2500 to the Ky River Child Advocacy Center. Its support will help us help children who are victims of child sexual abuse. Kaveh Kashef from Enterprise Holdings Foundation and George Minks from Tim Short Auto Group stopped by the Care Cottage to deliver the check.



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Trauma-Informed Therapy: Provided in partnership with MCCC



Services offered

Our services for child victims of sexual abuse include:

- ◇ Forensic Interviews
- ◇ Medical Exams
- ◇ Advocacy
- ◇ Counseling
- ◇ Community Education

Our referrals come directly from Law Enforcement and Social Services.

Care Cottage Mission:

The mission of the Kentucky River Child Advocacy Center is to provide a comfortable, safe environment where children who have victims of sexual abuse and their non-offending caregivers may receive services from each agency involved in the investigation and prosecution of these cases. We strive to provide a location where investigations may be preformed in as timely manner as possible and to link children and families to services they may need both immediately and in the future.

"OH WHAT FUN!" CHRISTMAS KICK-OFF EXTRAVAGANZA

The Care Cottage hosted their first ever Christmas Kick-off Extravaganza on November 30th kick off the Christmas season. The event consisted of multiple craft stations where children (and kids-at-heart) made ornaments, holiday slime, and an advent calendar. There was name engraving on and cocoa bar, and through the park to see mas lights. Special the event for photo ops. Special guests included Santa & Mrs. Claus and Mickey & Minnie Mouse. 10 Disney World tickets were also auctioned off. Admission was \$5.00 per person plus 1 donated item to go to the Care Cottage.

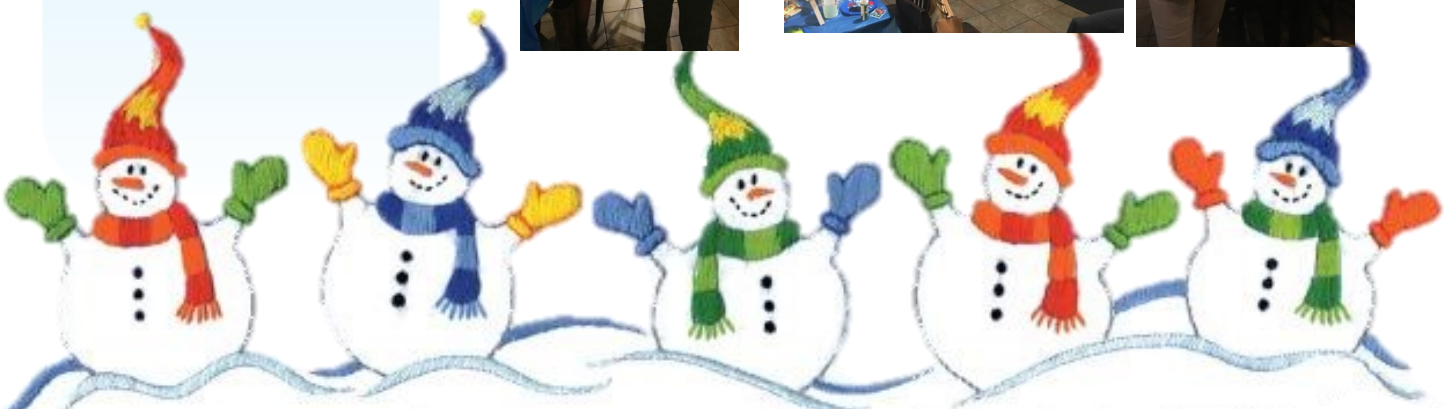


"Care to Paint" Fundraisers

The Care Cottage hosted a "Care to Paint" at Jabo's Coal River Grille. Each participant painted a customizable ornament held by the hand of the Grinch. 23 people attended the event earning \$230.00 for the evening plus another \$20.00 in donations.



The "Care to Paint" Sip and Paint event was held at Fairview Grille at Hazard Country Club was a huge success!! Thanks to the Art of the Mountains members for teaching the class and Thanks to everyone who came out to support the Care Cottage!!



400,000 children

are sexually abused each year.



That means **1 in 10** children faces the horror of sexual abuse.



90% of victims are abused by someone they **know** and **trust**.

» **60%** are **acquaintances** like teachers, neighbors, or community leaders.

» **30%** are immediate or extended **family**.

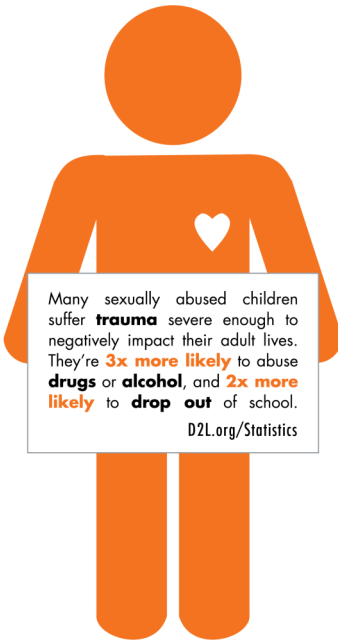
Only 10% are **strangers** to the child.

A reactive approach does not work.

Only 31% of children tell someone within the first year.

Only 55% of reported incidents are investigated by CPS.

Only 29% of reported incidents lead to police arrests.



Many sexually abused children suffer **trauma** severe enough to negatively impact their adult lives. They're **3x more likely** to abuse **drugs** or **alcohol**, and **2x more likely** to **drop out** of school.

D2L.org/Statistics

SOME-THING MUST BE DONE

**Suspect
Child Abuse
or Neglect?
Report
Now**



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You shop. Amazon gives.

**New Amazon
Program Enables
Shoppers to Easily
Donate to Their
Favorite Nonprofits**

Kentucky River Child Advocacy Center

Transportation assistance available
for Leslie County, Owsley County, &
Perry County



**DARKNESS
TO LIGHT**

An open Community Darkness to Light Class will take place on April 9, 2019 at 5:30 pm at the University of Kentucky North Fork Valley. Please contact our Victim Advocate & Authorized Facilitator Victoria Halcomb at 606-487-9173 for information on how to join this class.



Perry Co Public Library Trunk-or-Treat

The Care Cottage participated in the Annual Trunk-or-Treat hosted by the Perry County Public Library on October 20th. The theme of our trunk was Monsters Inc.: Don't be scared. Various literature was included with the candy and books that touched on topics such as body safety, Trauma and Substance abuse, and not being scared to say "Boo" to drugs. The Care Cottage was able to inform about 500 children and families during this event.



The Care Cottage won 3rd place in the decorating contest.



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KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

What is Stewards of Children?

Stewards of Children® is a prevention training that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. The program is designed for organizations that serve youth and for individuals concerned about the safety of children. It is the only nationally distributed, evidence-informed program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child protective behaviors.

Schedule an Event!

For more information, please contact Victoria Halcomb, Victim's Advocate at carecottage.victoria@windstream.net or (606) 487-9173.



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