



Child Advocacy Center of Sedgwick County

~ To lead our community in eliminating the suffering of abused children. ~

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Wichita Regional Office
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County
Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office
Via Christi Health
Wesley Medical Center
Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center
Wichita Police Department

For Your Calendar

August 30, 2016: 3:30-6:00:
CACSC Open House and
Building Dedication:
<https://www.cacsckansas.org>

Sept. 10, 2016: ICT-S.O.S.
Race4Freedom.
<http://ictsos.org/>

Oct. 3-5, 2016: 40th Annual
Governor's Conference for
the Prevention of Child
Abuse and Neglect: Wichita
Hyatt Regency

Nov. 18, 2016: 5th Annual
CACSC Heroes Gala:
Scottish Rite Center

What is a Child Family Advocate?

At the Child Advocacy Center of Sedgwick County (CACSC), the priority goal is to reduce the trauma that children experience as a result of abuse. In order to help achieve this goal, Child Family Advocates are available on-site at the CACSC to assist children and non-offending caregivers. The Child Family Advocates are trained professionals who provide support during the initial stages of a child abuse investigation, help educate families on the effects of abuse and trauma, connect the non-offending caregiver with services and resources in the community, make referrals for medical services and therapy, and provide follow-up services for as long as victims and their families request support.

5th Annual Heroes Gala

Our Heroes Gala, being held on November 18th, is an inspirational event that honors our community heroes, celebrates the work of the CACSC and our partners, and supports therapy services for child abuse victims. The proceeds from the event allow the CACSC to provide free therapy services. By offering therapeutic services at the CACSC, the process is streamlined and allows children to begin the healing process in a timely manner.

If you are interested in ways to participate in the Heroes Gala but you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact us for volunteer opportunities. We are searching for items for our silent auction including gift cards in any denomination below \$50.

The keynote speaker for this year's Gala is Kevin Mulcahy, Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney in Detroit. Kevin is a survivor of child sexual abuse. He believes there are important lessons that can be learned from his personal experience, as well as from his time as a long-time prosecutor of child exploitation cases. He speaks with candor, yet offers hope and humor for the audience.

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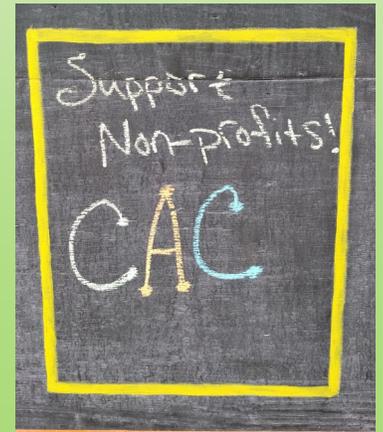


Bokeh Development Gives Back to the City of Wichita

Have you ever imagined a city would encourage graffiti? Wichita does — on a giant community chalkboard! This is an initiative called ICT Chalk Talks, a creation supported by Bokeh Development and the Knight Foundation Fund at the Wichita Community Foundation. Michael Ramsey is the owner of Bokeh Development and one of our outstanding Board members for the Child Advocacy Center. Bokeh Development

donated the north side of the Caldwell Murdock Building so that the chalkboard could be created. Two local artists were commissioned to design the artwork for the chalkboards. Above the chalkboards is a regularly rotated question to stimulate thoughts, comments and art. The goal of this project is to enhance perceptions of Wichita and drive artistic expression through community interaction and engagement. Thank you, Michael and Bokeh Development, for making a positive impact on the Wichita community!

Fun facts about Michael: His favorite city to visit is Chicago and he really likes coffee from Espresso To Go Go. He has two adult children named Spencer and Kathy.



Contact Information

Have you moved and not updated your information with the CACSC? Would you prefer to receive your newsletter via email instead of mail?

We want to assure that news and correspondence from the CACSC reaches you, so please don't hesitate to contact us at any time with your contact information.

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If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call 911 or 1.800.922.5330.

"The purpose of child advocacy centers is to provide a comprehensive, culturally competent, multidisciplinary team response to reports of child abuse, in a dedicated, child-focused setting."

The CACSC is accredited by the National Children's Alliance:
Empowering Local Communities to Serve Child Victims of Abuse