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The Children's Assessment Center estoring Hope-Rebuilding Lives

Dear Supporter,

The Children's Assessment Center provides services to approximately 5,000 victims of child sexual abuse and their families each year. The CAC has a goal to get one million people to donate \$6, which will complete our Restoring Hope Rebuilding Lives Capital Campaign that began in 2012. The goal of the campaign is to better prevent and treat child sexual abuse in Harris County by expanding our educational and prevention programs and providing the much needed physical space for our more than 50 partner agencies.



GiveUr6 is centered on the idea that people easily spend \$6 on indulgences they do not think twice about, such as buying a latte in the morning or ordering dessert after dinner.

GiveUr6 is an opportunity for people to contribute to programs that protect and heal victims of child sexual abuse, a trauma that impacts the entire community and does not discriminate between race, gender or socioeconomic status.

We invite you or your organization to join us as we raise money to stop the suffering of child sexual abuse. It is a simple campaign for a serious problem. This campaign is for anyone and everyone who wants to stop child sexual abuse. We can all donate \$6.

For more information on how you can get involved and help us spread the word, please contact Jill Buja, Director of Development at jill.buja@cac.hctx.net or 713-986-3483.

To donate, visit www.giveur6.com.

We look forward to hearing from you!

**Elaine Stolte**, Executive Director / The Children's Assessment Center



Mike Stolte, Elaine Stolte, Rachel Bristow & Daryl Bristow



Ken Borglum & Chris<u>tine Borglum</u>



Chester Pitts & Diane Caplan



Lauren Maloy & Allison Flikerski



Dr. Charlie Moore, Kistal Key & David Key



# The Children's Assessment Center announced the GiveUn 6 campaign with a kick-off party at The Dunlavy on Wednesday, June 22nd.

GiveUr6 is an initiative designed to encourage people to be a part of the solution to end the sexual abuse of children.

During the GiveUr6 Kick-off Party, Elaine Stolte announced The CAC Crowdfunding Contest. Crowdfunding is a great way to get friends, family, colleagues and clients involved in this cause. The contest is easily shareable by word of mouth via text message, email, and through all social media platforms. In addition to promoting a good cause, we are offering a prize for the fundraiser who raises the most money!

The fundraiser who raises the most money between now and September 6, 2016 will win their very own billboard for Houstonians to see! It is quite a prize and we are excited to award it to the fundraiser who really shines!

Go to <a href="http://igfn.us/join/cac\_houston/GIVEUR6">http://igfn.us/join/cac\_houston/GIVEUR6</a> to set up your crowdfunding page now! The winner will be determined September 6, 2016 at 11:59 pm.

Our goal is to get one million people to donate \$6! The money raised will help educate and heal children victims of sexual abuse and their families. To donate, go to www.GiveUr6.com.



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Brandi Key with Clark Cooper Concepts, Diane Caplan, Suzanne Sellers & Elaine Stolte

# Cherish the Child Donor Appreciation

& Presentation of The 2016 Humanitarian Awards

On Wednesday, April 6, 2016, The Children's Assessment Center hosted the 2016 Cherish the Child Donor Appreciation event thanking all supporters and donors who have made contributions throughout the year in support of the children and families served by The CAC.

Guests enjoyed a festive evening filled with the sounds of mariachis and delicious cuisine by Pappasito's Cantina.

The CAC Board of Directors and CAC Executive Director, Elaine Stolte recognized the 2016 Humanitarian Award Recipients: Diane Caplan, Clark Cooper Concepts and Suzanne Sellers. These recipients were selected for their outstanding support and dedication to the children and families served by The Children's Assessment Center.

During the reception, Bill Clemons and Dickens, his beautiful golden retriever and CAC therapy dog were also recognized for the positive impact they make in the lives of countless children and families here at The Children's Assessment Center.

On behalf of our children, we express our sincerest appreciation to all those who support The Children's Assessment Center through their time, talents, resources and gifts!



Ericka Bagwell, Michael Caplan & Diane Caplan



Lauren Maloy, Brandi Key & Emily Essaye



Bill Clemons & Dickens, CAC therapy dog

Event Chairs Kelli Weinzierl & Kellev Lubanko



CAC Executive Director Elaine Stolte & Speaker Marilyn Van Derbur

# The Children's Assessment Center

# Luncheon & Fashion Show

The Spirit of Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show is The Children's Assessment Center's premier fundraising event of the year. The money raised is critical to the success of The Children's Assessment Center's programs and services. To find out how you can be a part of this exciting event contact Madelyn Perry at 713-986-3370 or Madelyn.Perry@cac.hctx.net



Belinda Hill, Dominique Sachse,

District Attorney Devon Anderson

The 17th Annual Spirit of Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show benefiting The Children's Assessment Center was held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at the Royal Sonesta Hotel. It was a full house with over 520 supporters in attendance helping to raise a record \$430,000 for programs that are critical to the healing of child victims of sexual abuse.

Outstanding event chairs Kelley Lubanko and Kelli Weinzierl planned a delightful afternoon with the perfect mix of fabulous spring and summer fashions coupled with a focus on the serious issue of child sexual abuse and how we as a community can better protect our children. Mark Wallace, President and CEO of Texas Children's Hospital, was recognized as the luncheon's honoree. The Children's Assessment Center expressed their gratitude for their partnership with Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine.

The guest speaker for the event was Former Miss America Marilyn Van Derbur and she brought the crowd of over 500 to their feet as she shared her story of triumph over tragedy. As a childhood incest survivor, she has devoted much of her adult life to raising national awareness and understanding of sexual abuse and its long-term effects. In 1989 her family funded an adult incest survivor program in Denver, and in 1993 she co-founded two national non-profit organizations dedicated to public education and strengthening laws protecting victims of sexual abuse.

Designer Michelle Smith of MILLY & models

# CAC Hosts Press Conference to Kick-Off Child Abuse Prevention Month...

On April 1, 2016, The CAC hosted a press conference to kick off Child Abuse Prevention Month. Elaine Stolte was joined by Crime Stoppers of Houston's Executive Director, Rania Mankarious, Harris County Sherriff's Office Sgt. Ron Hunter and Harris County District Attorney Devon Anderson.

During the press conference, CAC Executive Director, Elaine Stolte discussed the importance of educating the community about the signs and symptoms of child abuse and highlighted The CAC's Keeping Children Safe Trainings which are free to the public throughout the month of April. Crime Stoppers of Houston launched its Safe Community Program. Supporting comments were made by the Harris County Sheriff's Office and the Harris County District Attorney's Office.



Crime Stoppers of Houston's Executive
Director, Rania Mankarious, Elaine Stolte,
Harris County District Attorney
Devon Anderson & Harris County
Attorney Vince Ryan

# The Children's Assessment Center kicks off Child Abuse Awareness Month

## CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH AT THE CHILDREN'S ASSESSMENT CENTER

CAC staff kicked off National Child Abuse Awareness Month by displaying blue ribbons outside The CAC and neighboring Hanover Properties. Blue has become the international sign for child abuse prevention and serves as a constant reminder that all of us have a responsibility in helping to protect children. Each April, staff at The CAC raises awareness through outreach, education, and training about child abuse and neglect and encourages individuals and communities to support children and families. Everyone has a role to play in preventing child abuse.

This year, The CAC's Therapy and Psychological Services Department created the "Stop Sign Project" to spread awareness throughout the month of April. The "Stop Sign Project" could been seen at the corner of Kelvin and Bolsover and included blue stop signs with messages on how to stop child sexual abuse. Along with signs, The CAC's T&P department took awareness messages to the streets every Wednesday and handed out handcrafted stop signs with a different statistic each week about child sexual abuse. The goal was to educate and empower the community to be a part of the solution to stop child sexual abuse. The CAC was very proud of T&P's project and looks forward to growing it in the community over the years.



CAC Therapy and Psychological Services Department and their Stop Sign Project.



CAC staff displaying blue ribbons outside of The CAC and nearby Hanover Properties.

# Volunteer Highlights



The Playroom would like to send out a big thank you to the Rice University Athletic Department for their financial donation as well as the toy drive conducted by The Rice Owls Baseball Team.



We would also like to thank Braeswood United States Postal Service for their continued support. Each year they host a Spring shoe drive for the kiddos. We received 118 pairs of shoes.



Last but not least we would also like to recognize Congregation Emanu El/Farb Fund for our brand new freezer.

HCDA, First Assistant Belinda Hill, Elaine Stolte and Harris County District Attorney, Devon Anderson

# CAC Executive Director, Elaine Stolte, Receives Gavel of Justice Leadership Award Presented by The Harris County District Attorney's Office.

The Harris County District Attorney's Office completed their observance of National Crime Victims' Rights Week with a special recognition program, recognizing and honoring community champions who advocate for justice as well as expanded support and services to communities affected by crime with the Gavel of Justice Leadership Award.

The Children's Assessment Center and CAC Executive Director, Elaine Stolte were recognized during the program by The Harris County District Attorney's Office, Devon Anderson and First Assistant Belinda Hill with the Gavel of Justice Leadership Award for being an outstanding Community Advocate for crime survivors. The CAC staff was honored by this recognition and are thankful to the Harris County District Attorney's Office for their part in providing hope and healing to sexually abused children and their families



Chris and Laurie Declaire using their smartphones to Give Their 6!



HCSO Sgt. Ron Hunter Giving his 6!



Constantine Triantafyllides, Ryan Roller, Brian Graff, Rhonda Graff, Elaine Stolte & Pat Trueman.



Stolte Family and Friends Giving Their 6!



The Children's Assessment Center hosted Bingo at The Brewery on Wednesday,

June 15th at Saint Arnold's Brewery. David Key and David Acosta, CAC Board

members, generously shared their talent with the guests as they performed

popular classic-rock hits with their fellow band members from The Offering Band.

Close to 200 guests mingled, listened to music, played bingo and enjoyed fried chicken from Punk's Simple Southern Foods all while sampling the many beers Saint Arnold's is known for. Elaine Stolte, Executive Director of The CAC, thanked everyone for attending and for showing their support. Stolte also announced the upcoming GiveUr6 initiative designed to encourage people to be a part of the solution to end the sexual abuse of children. She announced that the goal is to have one million people donate \$6! Attendees were excited about the initiative and began giving their \$6 and snapping photos holding up six fingers.



It is hard to believe that this year marked the 20th annual Houston Oilmen's Invitational Shooting Tournament (H.O.I.S.T). Over 400 participants gathered at this year's tournament held at the Westside Sporting Grounds in Katy, TX on May 13th and 14th, 2016. In addition to two full days of competitive comradeship, warm weather and delicious food made for another great year. The course opened on Friday for practice and the main event was held on Saturday. Saturday evening H.O.I.S.T presented a check to The CAC bringing H.O.I.S.T contributions to \$1,070,589.00. The story began in 1996 when CAC staff made a presentation to the Houston Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute. Rick Daab, a member of the audience, was extremely moved by the information presented about child sexual abuse. Through Mr. Daab's efforts, we were named as beneficiary of the first annual H.O.I.S.T. in 1996. The CAC would like to thank Lauren and Joe Byars along with the H.O.I.S.T Committee, Board of Directors and Sponsors for their continued commitment to The CAC. It is because of organizations and people like you that The CAC can continue to be a model organization serving the sexually abused children in our community.

CAC staff travel to Orange, California. On May 15, 2016, CAC staff and partners traveled to Orange, California to take part in a 3.5 - day MDT Response to Child Sex Trafficking Course, hosted by the National Criminal Justice Training Center. Together, our team worked on identifying the differences in response to traditional child abuse versus child sex trafficking cases, the components of an effective MDT for child sex trafficking, how to recognize and locate youth at risk of victimization, and began creating a plan that encompasses strengths, challenges and a direction for our MDT response to child sex trafficking. Attendees included: Dr. Reena Isaac (CAC Medical Clinic Director), ADA Ana Martinez

(HCDAO), Sgt. Ron Hunter (HCSO), Officer Phillip Sadowski (HPD), Doris Thomas-Buckler (CPS Program Director), Tricia Williams, Lisa Bourgoyne, Claudia Gonzalez and Nohemi Garcia.



CAC Staff Members

# Ways You Can Help

Love working with kids?

Help out daily in our children's playroom
or sign up to assist with special events

# Can't make it in?

There are many ways to help on your own time. Host a drive, organize a corporate service project, or use your skills to create your own project

## Still in school

Our internships provide the perfect opportunity to gain field experience across disciplines

For more information or to apply please visit cachouston.org/volunteer-opportunities to learn about the many ways you or your group can help The CAC.



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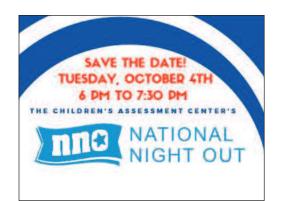


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