



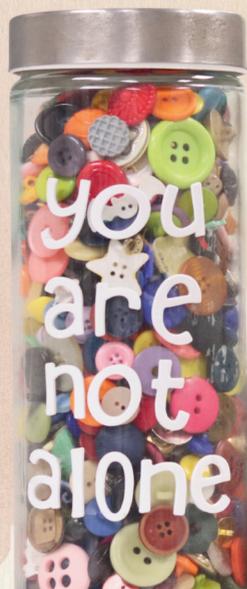
Davis House

Child Advocacy Center

2024-2025

Impact Report

Behind every button is a brave child who shared their experience of abuse. Behind every child must be a community that listens, believes, and supports them.



Serving Williamson County

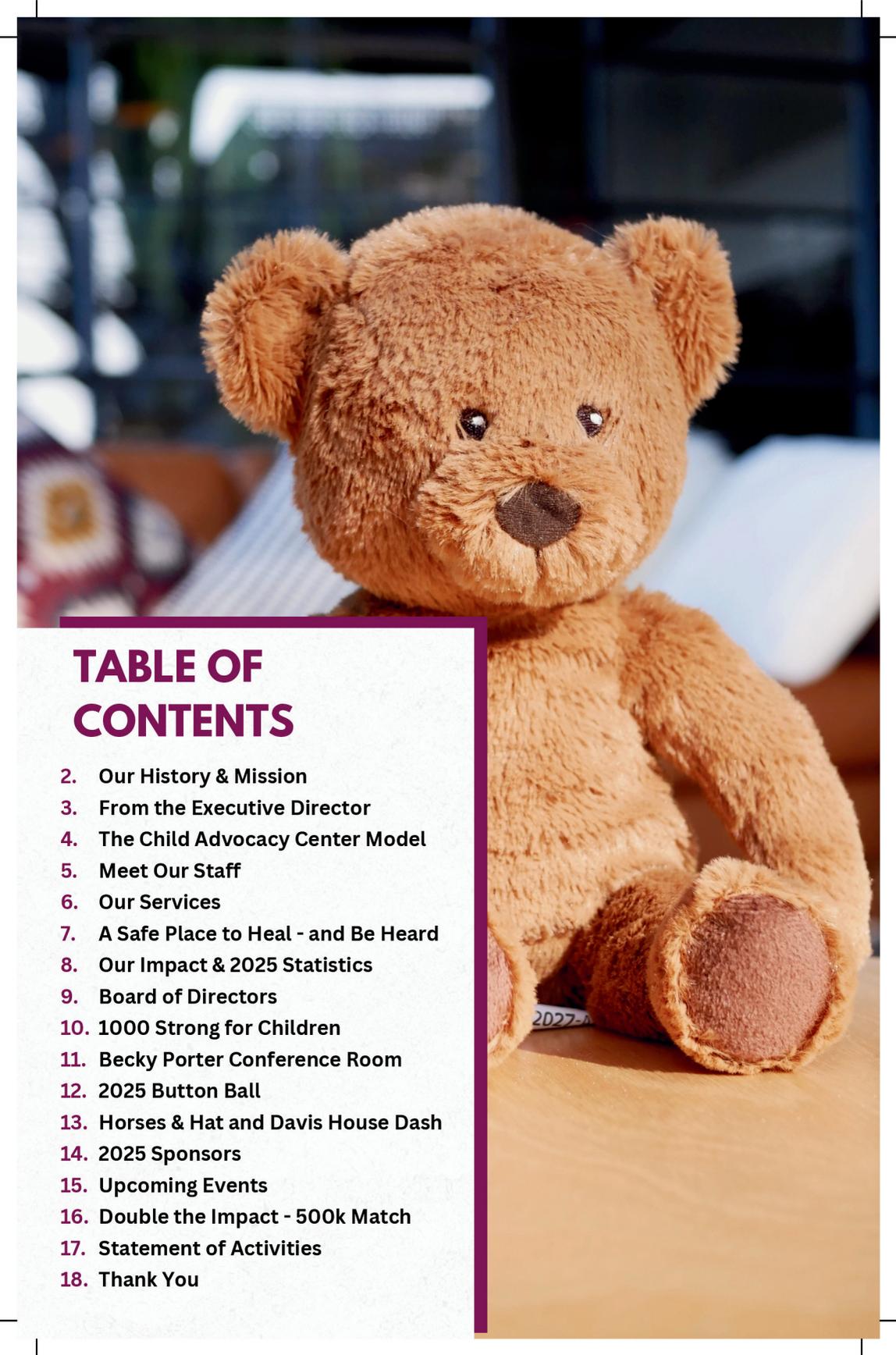


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CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

In September 2025, Davis House Child Advocacy Center (CAC) proudly celebrated 25 years of serving children and families in Williamson County. Since opening our doors in September of 2000, Davis House has been a safe place where children who have experienced abuse can share their stories, begin to heal, and find justice.

Over the past quarter-century, more than 10,000 children and their families have walked through our doors and received hope, healing, and support. As we honor this milestone, we look back with gratitude for the community members, partners, and donors who have stood with us—and we look forward with determination to continue protecting children and building a safer future for the next generation.

OUR MISSION

Davis House Child Advocacy Center serves as a first responder in cases involving child abuse in Williamson County. By providing critical services such as forensic interviews, trauma-informed therapy, victim advocacy, abuse prevention education, and coordination of the multidisciplinary Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT), Davis House CAC helps children heal, thrive, and reclaim their futures.



Carolyn Evans, MS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Supporters,

The Impact Report is our annual opportunity to take a moment to reflect — on the children and families we served, the community we reached, and the vision we cast. Much was accomplished, and for that we are grateful. But this year, in particular, we are most eager to look forward.

The year 2025 marked the 25th anniversary of Davis House opening its doors to serve abused children. We were proud to honor the trailblazers who created a vision for Davis House at a kitchen table, to now having served almost 10,000 children! We are so grateful to be a part of this community and to help guide children and families on a path to healing. The need is great, perhaps greater than ever, as we have served 346 new children across Williamson County just this year, children of our neighbors in Brentwood and Fairview and Bethesda and everywhere in between.

While our county continues to grow and everything in our world gets more expensive, Child Advocacy Centers serve an essential role for the state and its citizens. Together, we have done incredible things in 2025. Your advocacy, your financial contributions, and your donations of precious time and talents have demonstrated what is possible when we unite around a common cause. I hope you read the following pages with pride, knowing that you helped make these achievements possible.

Enjoy the holidays and hold your children and families tight. We have a big year ahead of us.

Carolyn Evans

Executive Director, Davis House Child Advocacy Center

THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER MODEL

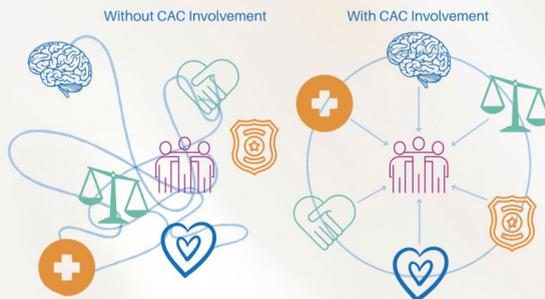
A Coordinated, Child-Centered Response to Abuse

Davis House Child Advocacy Center follows a nationally recognized, child-centered model that protects children, reduces trauma, and ensures a coordinated response when abuse is suspected. As the first responders in child abuse cases in Williamson County, our involvement begins the moment a report is made. When law enforcement or the Department of Children’s Services suspects abuse, Davis House is their first call. A specially trained forensic interviewer meets with the child in a safe, neutral, trauma-informed setting. This interview is designed to minimize the times a child is asked to describe what happened, sparing them from reliving their trauma.

After the interview, the child’s case is reviewed on-site by the Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT), bringing together law enforcement, DCS, the District Attorney’s Office, Juvenile Court, and medical and mental health partners. This coordinated response — unlike the fragmented system children face without a CAC — keeps the child at the center of every decision.

Although child advocacy centers are mandated by the State of Tennessee to exist, the state provides only **15%** of the funding needed for Davis House to operate. Similarly, federal grants contribute to a mere **1%** of our annual budget. This means **84%** of the funding required to protect children and support families must come from our community.

Your support ensures that when a child is brave enough to speak, Davis House is here — ready to listen, ready to protect, and ready to help them heal and find justice.



OUR STAFF

Davis House Staff are the **heart and passion** behind advancing our mission.



LINDSEY HONEA
Associate Director



KYLEI FULLER
Marketing & Events
Coordinator



CHRISTINE CASH
Administrative Assistant



ANAHI DIXON
Program Director and
Child & Family Advocate



SHANNON GROBELNY
Forensic Interviewer



LEAH JOSEPH
Clinical Therapist



LINDSEY ACKS
Director of CPIT Services



CARRIE NORVELL
Director of Prevention &
Outreach



KHLOE DAVIS
Community Education
Specialist

The Heart Behind Our Work

“I chose to work at a child advocacy center to be the voice for children going through heartache, grief, and anger due to experiencing abuse. With gratitude, I take on the role to serve these families and support them through their journey in obtaining justice.”

- **Anahi Dixon, Program Director & Child and Family Advocate**

“Working at Davis House has been some of the most meaningful and rewarding work of my life. As a mother, I personally get to make it my goal to make sure that the communities that my son grows up in are safe and that the adults in his life will respect his boundaries because they will know how important that is. I want to know that every child in our community has that same opportunity because every child matters. I also love working at Davis House because I get to watch an incredible group of women change lives every day, and I get to celebrate those successes with them.”

- **Carrie Norvell, Director of Prevention & Outreach**

SERVICES

FORENSIC INTERVIEWS

Children under 18 who may have experienced abuse or trauma come to Davis House CAC for a forensic interview — a child-friendly, neutral conversation where trained interviewers gather the child’s experience through their own words with minimal trauma. Interviews are recorded to reduce repeated questioning; without a child advocacy center, children could have to share their traumatic experiences over a dozen times.

CHILD & FAMILY ADVOCACY

The Child and Family Advocate (CFA) guides children and their non-offending caregivers through the entire process, connecting them to needed services at Davis House or with community partners. The advocate supports families for as long as needed, even through trial, or until services are no longer desired.

TRAUMA-FOCUSED THERAPY

Davis House offers trauma-focused therapy for children and teens after they have experienced abuse or other traumatic events. Our licensed therapist uses evidence-based, trauma-informed methods to create individualized treatment plans tailored to each child’s needs. Therapy continues as long as needed, with ongoing goal reviews, and children may return for additional support at any stage of their adolescence—always free of charge.

CPIT COORDINATION

Davis House facilitates collaboration among the Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) - a multidisciplinary team including law enforcement, department of children’s services, medical providers, mental health experts, the District Attorney’s Office, and Juvenile Court - to ensure a comprehensive, child-centered response to abuse allegations. By uniting these partners, Davis House coordinates investigations, reduces the need for repeated interviews, and connects families with the care and support they need throughout their journey to justice.

PREVENTION & OUTREACH

Davis House focuses on raising awareness and equipping the community with the knowledge and tools to recognize the signs of child abuse and respond appropriately. Through adult and child-based trainings, presentations, and prevention programs, we empower parents, educators, and community members to protect children, take action when concerns arise, and create a safer environment for every child in our community.



Forensic Interview Room

A SAFE PLACE TO BE HEARD - AND TO HEAL

At Davis House Child Advocacy Center, every story begins with courage.

Each day, children in our community find the strength to share what has happened to them — and in that moment, their journey toward healing begins.

One of our forensic interviewers recalls a conversation with a teenage girl who had been groomed online by an adult she thought was her boyfriend.

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She bravely shared her story and when our interview ended, she looked around at the toys and books meant for much younger children and softly asked, ‘Do little kids come here?’ When I told her yes, she grew quiet for a moment and whispered, ‘I didn’t know this happened to them too.’

”

In the weeks that followed, the teen and her family returned to Davis House for therapy and advocacy support. They learned about online grooming, trauma, and—most importantly—how to heal together.

Her story is just one of many reminders that healing doesn’t happen in a single moment. It’s a process that takes time, understanding, and a community that listens.

At Davis House, we walk alongside children and families through every step of that process—providing forensic interviews, trauma-focused therapy, family advocacy, and prevention education. Together, we help transform moments of fear into pathways of hope.

Because when a child is heard, healing begins.



OUR IMPACT

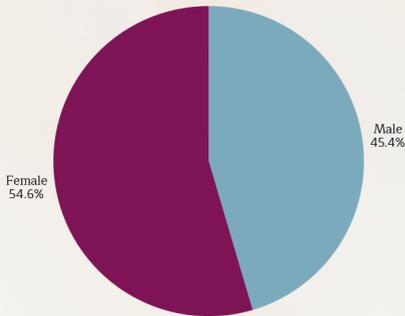
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adults and children were trained to recognize and respond to child sexual abuse last year.

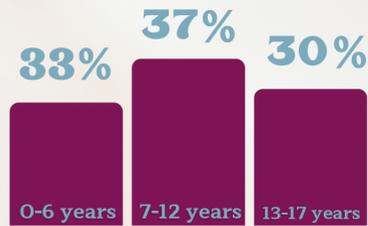
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children were served by Davis House last year at NO cost to the families

GENDER OF CHILDREN SERVED:



AGE OF CHILDREN SERVED:



2025 STATISTICS

90%

of children know and trust their abuser.

1 in 10

children will be sexually abused by their 18th birthday.

12%

of child abuse cases are actually reported each year.

FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



Dear Friends,

For many of us, this is the time of year when we take stock of all the worthy organizations that need and deserve our support. As you begin to think about your end-of-year giving, I'd like to tell you about an organization that means a great deal to me.

I have served on the board and am a proud supporter of Davis House because this organization is dear to my heart, because of the impact it has on Williamson County children and because of the bravery of those children in sharing the trauma of abuse.

Davis House Child Advocacy Center is a first responder in cases of child abuse. It is the first place that law enforcement officials turn when child abuse is reported, providing forensic interviews, counseling, victim advocacy, abuse prevention education and more. Davis House is the first line of defense in helping victims of child abuse to heal, thrive, and reclaim their futures.

These services are provided free of charge to all families and only serves Williamson County. Davis House oversaw 346 new cases last year. Those 346 children and children in our community from prior years whom we continue to counsel have experienced unimaginable pain and suffering. But thanks to Davis House, they also had a place to heal and to hope.

While these services are free to all residents of our county, only 16 percent of Davis House's operating budget is covered by government funding. That means 84 percent of its funding comes from the community. Simply put, Davis House needs your help to continue to provide these important services.

In the same way we encourage these children to be brave, we adults need to be brave as well. I will be supporting Davis House CAC this holiday season, and I hope you will join me.

Together, we can help healing begin.

Micah Berg

Chairman of the Board, Davis House CAC

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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1000 STRONG FOR



Davis House has launched a new giving campaign with one powerful purpose: to unite 1,000 community members who believe every child in Williamson County deserves safety, healing, and justice.

While state and federal grants cover only 16% of our annual budget, the remaining 84% depends on the generosity of local donors and community partners. Your support ensures that every child and family receives life-changing care—always at no cost.

This giving sustains our core direct services as well as our child abuse prevention programs and CPIT coordination that strengthen the entire child protection network across Williamson County.

Here's the impact: if just 1,000 people commit to giving \$100 a month, our community can fully fund the Davis House mission—guaranteeing that every child who walks through our doors has access to the healing, safety, and justice they deserve.

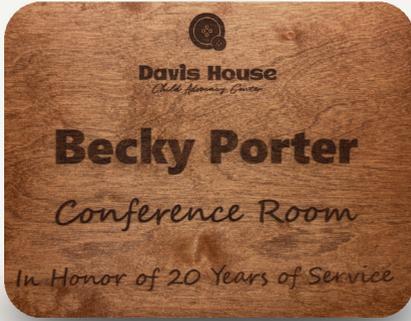
By joining 1,000 Strong for Children, you're not just making a donation—you're standing for hope, protection, and lasting change in our community. Together, we can ensure that every child's future shines bright.

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Davis House mission.**

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1 of the 1,000.



BECKY PORTER CONFERENCE ROOM



The **Becky Porter Conference Room** honors one of the original task force members whose vision helped establish Davis House Child Advocacy Center 25 years ago and serving a role in the child protection field for 20 years. Representing the Franklin Police Department, Becky Porter played a pivotal role in developing the Child Protective Investigative Team (CPIT) model—an approach that remains central to how Davis House protects children today.

Within these walls, that same collaboration continues. Professionals from Davis House, local law enforcement, the Department of Children's Services, the District Attorney's Office, Juvenile Court, and Our Kids—a specialized medical agency—gather to review cases, share information, and ensure every child receives the coordinated care and justice they deserve.

Becky continues to inspire those who knew her through her compassion, leadership, and unwavering dedication to children. This room stands as a tribute to the values she championed—a place where teamwork, protection, and hope thrive every day.



Becky Porter

"As an A.D.A. assigned to prosecute child physical and sexual abuse, I had the privilege of working alongside Det. Becky Porter beginning in 2000 until her retirement from FPD. Becky's dedication and hard work made a difference in prosecuting offenders and holding them accountable for the crimes they committed. I know and have heard from victims over the years that what they remember about Becky is how much she cared and how she was there for them during dark and trying times. Her caring nature made such a lasting difference in the lives of our community's most vulnerable victims."

~ **Mary Katharine Evins, District Attorney's Office**

"Becky passed on her knowledge to all new detectives that came into the Criminal Investigation Division. I was fortunate enough to be one of them. She did not only pass on investigative information to new detectives, but she also passed on an example of professionalism, integrity, and commitment to those who follow in her footsteps." ~ **Det. Andrea Clark, Franklin Police Department**



**BOOT SCOOTIN'
T-BUTTON BALL**





2025 SPONSORS

PREMIER SPONSORS



AURA LOUNGE



East Franklin
Cool Springs

SILVER SPONSORS



BRONZE



UPCOMING *Events*



Song & Story

Experience *Song & Story* at The Barn at Sycamore Farms—an elegant evening where heartfelt songs and powerful stories from The Warren Brothers come together to inspire hope and healing for the children and families served by Davis House Child Advocacy Center.

Feb

12

2026



Davis House Dash

Join Davis House at Harlinsdale Park for the 2nd annual Davis House Dash 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run—a family-friendly event that raises awareness for child abuse prevention and unites the community in support of children's safety, healing, and hope.

May

16

2026



Button Ball

Our signature gala at Aura Lounge, offering an elevated evening of dining, live entertainment, and community celebration—all to support safety, healing, and justice for child victims of abuse in Williamson County.

Sep

19

2026



Friendsgiving

Celebrate the season at Friendsgiving—an intimate, invite-only evening that blends warmth, gratitude, and community in support of the children and families served by Davis House.

Nov

12

2026

5000K MATCH

This season, your generosity goes twice as far to protect and heal children in Williamson County.

Thanks to a **\$500,000 match**, every dollar donated to Davis House will be matched dollar-for-dollar, **doubling your impact** on the lives of children who have experienced abuse.

Your matched gift helps fund forensic interviews that give children a voice, trauma-focused therapy that rebuilds trust and hope, and family advocacy that guides caregivers through the healing process—all provided at no cost to families.

It also strengthens our community education and prevention programs, ensuring that more adults are trained to recognize and respond to signs of abuse, and supports our CPIT (Child Protective Investigative Team) coordination, which unites law enforcement, DCS, District Attorney’s office, juvenile court, and medical partners in protecting children.

With your help, we can meet this match and raise the full \$1 million in total impact—ensuring that every child in our care has access to safety, healing, and justice.

Together, we can transform the light of one gift into a beacon of hope for hundreds of children.

DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT, TODAY!

**SCAN
ME**



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025

REVENUE OF GAINS	AMOUNT
Federal Government Grants	\$71,785
State Government Grants	\$313,768
Corporate Grants	\$4,000
Foundation Grants	\$65,000
Municipal Grants	\$67,315
Annual Contributions	\$676,501
Special Event Revenue	\$249,349
Misc/Other Income	\$33,349
Total Revenue	\$1,481,067

EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Salaries, Benefits, Taxes, & Payroll	\$712,727
Professional Development	\$6,060
Travel	\$13,872
Utilities	\$78,541
Occupancy	\$251,949
Marketing	\$27,596
Insurance	\$27,561
Professional & Contract Fees	\$52,482
Office/Admin Expenses	\$71,495
Total Expenses	\$1,242,283
NET REVENUE	\$238,784



Thank You for your support.

Last year, 346 children found the courage to share their stories at Davis House.

Because of them, our community is stronger. Because of them, families found hope. And because of them, healing continues.

Every child we serve reminds us why we are here—why listening matters, why collaboration matters, and why your support makes all the difference.

Together, we are building a community where every child is heard, protected, and on the path to healing.





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