



Denver Children's
Advocacy Center



January 2026 Newsletter

Greetings!

A new year is a natural moment to reflect on the impact we want to have on our families, our community, and the children who need us most.

At Denver Children's Advocacy Center, hope is something we build every day. It is built when a child is met with compassion instead of chaos. When a family is supported instead of left to navigate the system alone. And when trauma-informed care is delivered through coordination, dignity, and trust.

I want to begin 2026 with sincere gratitude. To our staff and partners, thank you for showing up with professionalism and heart. To our donors and community supporters, thank you for making this work possible. Your generosity is not abstract. It directly creates safety and healing for children.

This year, we are focused on strengthening our foundation by:

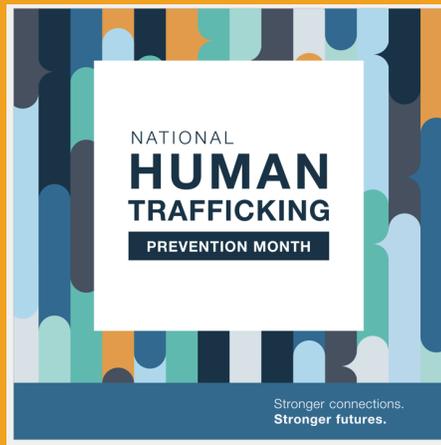
- **Providing healing services** for children and families impacted by abuse
- **Supporting multidisciplinary partners** through training and collaboration
- **Expanding our campus** through the Vibrant Denver Bond vision
- **Growing the community of supporters** who make this work possible

Thank you for standing with DCAC. Together, we are building a foundation of hope for children and families across Denver.

With gratitude,
Will Braunstein

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Human trafficking often hides in plain sight - and children who experience trafficking frequently encounter multiple systems before they ever reach safety or support.



At Denver Children's Advocacy Center, we work to ensure that when a child does come forward, their experience is met with coordination, dignity, and care. Our multidisciplinary approach brings together forensic interviewing, advocacy, and access to mental health services so children don't have to retell their story or navigate complex systems alone.

Read More: [Standing With Children Affected by Human Trafficking](#)

Announcing New DCAC Board Officers

We are grateful for the leadership and dedication of our [Board of Directors](#). Please join us in welcoming DCAC's new board officers:



Board Chair: Erika Sidney, MD



Vice Chair: Adrian Helfert



Treasurer: Eric Gonzalez



Secretary: Den Bianucci

Thank you to our board officers for stepping into leadership in service of children and families.

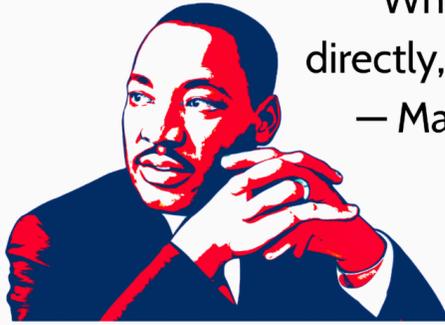
Thank you for making the holidays special!



We were overwhelmed by the generosity of our corporate partners and community supporters this holiday season. Your contributions to DCAC's toy drive helped bring comfort, joy, and moments of normalcy to children and families during a difficult time. A few of our donors:

- Audrey Poling
- Licata Family
- Denver Metro BOMA
- International Facility Management Association
- Denver boys of Leather
- The Center for Cosmetic Surgery

Thank you for making the holidays brighter for the families we serve!



“Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”
— Martin Luther King Jr.

When a child is harmed, the impact reaches far beyond one moment or one family. It touches schools, neighborhoods, and entire communities.

At Denver Children’s Advocacy Center, we see this truth every day. We also see what’s possible when a community responds with care. Through coordinated, trauma-informed support, we help children and families begin healing while working to prevent future harm.

Help us [support children and families](#) with a one-time or monthly donation!

Gratitude for Our Rapid Response Team

Every day, our Rapid Response team meets families with compassion, patience, and care. Recently, a mother shared this reflection after visiting DCAC:

“Being here is the first time people actually listened to me about how hard it is, instead of expecting me to be strong. They understand what it’s like and they want to help. I feel like things are going to change for us.”



This is the heart of our work – creating space where families feel heard, supported, and not alone. We are deeply grateful to our team for showing up with empathy and professionalism every single day.

[Learn more about *the approach of our Rapid Response Team*](#)

Expanding the Foundation

Hope grows when more people are informed and connected. By sharing DCAC’s work, you help expand the foundation of support that allows children and families to find safety, healing, and hope.

- Follow, like, comment, and share DCAC’s work on social media [Instagram](#) | [Facebook](#) | [LinkedIn](#)
- Share our [trainings and resources](#) with your workplace or network
- [Invite others](#) to learn how DCAC supports children and families

Together, we are building safer futures for children – one connection at a time.

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