“The Cranes” Artwork created by the children of the Denver Children’s Advocacy Center with artist Eric Dallimore

2015 Annual Report
Dear Friends of DCAC

The year 2015 was a big one for DCAC as we celebrated 20 years of growth in our programs, our outreach, our staff and our campus—further extending our services to Denver’s most vulnerable children and families.

We celebrated this special milestone across the months with the highlight being our very successful “Block Party” in September. Donors, staff and friends joined us to both celebrate and help us raise $125,000 in support of our work. A huge thank you goes out to each of the sponsors, donors and friends for helping us to make this an unforgettable 20th Anniversary celebration.

We look back on the past two decades with a sense of accomplishment. From serving fewer than 300 children annually in 1995, with no home of our own, and no bilingual staff, DCAC now serves more than 7,000 people with a staff of 19, more than half of whom are bilingual. As we grow the capacity of our Children’s Campus, we are also expanding our outreach into the community. We don’t wait for high-risk and fragile families to find us. We meet children and families where they are – in their homes, their early childhood centers, and their schools – where our interventions can have the most impact.

Thank you again for your support of our mission. We are proud of the work our staff and volunteers are doing to work toward our mission of preventing abuse, strengthening families and restoring childhood, but we know we would not be where we are today without the support of our board, volunteers and the many donors and friends of DCAC. Please know that you have a standing invitation to visit us at any time.

We look forward to our next 20 years with hope and optimism.

Sincerely,

Gizane Indart
PsyD, Executive Director

Matthew Hogan
Esq, Board Chair

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DCAC Continuum of Care 2015

Community Outreach – Keeping Children Safe

Denver Safe from the Start – Our prevention program for children ages 3-8, and their parents and teachers, is offered in partnership with Denver Public Schools. We focus on low-income communities with high rates of violence, crime and child abuse and neglect.

Early Childhood Development – Our mental health specialists work with Adams County Head Start, Clayton Early Learning Center, Florence Crittenton Services, Nurse Family Partnership, and other community partners to provide home visits, on-site assessments, consultation and referrals for mental health treatment when needed.

Trauma-Informed Training and Consultation – We educate and support the many professionals and community members who are not mental health specialists, but who work with traumatized children, day care providers, educators, foster parents and professionals in the law enforcement and social service fields.

Rapid Response – Immediate Support For Child Victims

Forensic Interviews – DCAC coordinates the multi-disciplinary team (MDT) that responds to allegations of child abuse and neglect, as well as cases where children have witnessed homicide or acute violence. Immediately after a crime is suspected, child victims are interviewed by DCAC’s highly qualified, forensic interviewers in warm, welcoming child-friendly facilities that help mitigate their trauma. First responders are on call around the clock to help families in crisis, and to support our colleagues on the multidisciplinary team.

Victim Advocacy – Each family has a victim advocate who provides support through the investigation, explains the criminal justice process.

Integrated Medical Care – A pediatrician and medical assistant are now onsite two days a week to conduct medical examinations for children where sexual abuse or neglect is suspected. Many young victims also suffer from lack of primary medical and dental care, which exacerbates their trauma. DCAC coordinates referrals to ensure they receive the integrated medical and mental health care this is essential to healing.

Treatment & Integrated Services – Helping Families Recover From Trauma

Assessment and Mental Health Treatment – We use a developmentally sensitive, biologically respectful approach to coordinated health and mental health care for child trauma victims. Intensive, coordinated care management draws in all people involved with the child’s life – family members, foster parents, social service caseworkers, day care providers, prosecutors, victim advocates, physicians, teachers and school.

Psychiatric Care – When child trauma victims need psychiatric care, consultation is available through our growing partnership with Mental Health Corporation of Denver.

Legal Services – Through a partnership with Rocky Mountain Children’s Law Center, legal staff coordinate with our therapists and victim advocates to help “kinship” families, those where family members take in children who have been removed from their homes to understand their legal rights.
The History of DCAC

1995-1998
1995 DCAC was founded in Colorado
1998 Lease first office on Elati Street

2002-2003
2002 Dr. Gizane Indart hired to reach out to underserved Spanish-speaking families
2003 DCAC honored with James Grafton Rogers Award for extraordinary contribution to the quality of life in the Denver community

2004-2005
2004 Memorandum of Understanding signed with Denver Police Department, Denver District Attorney’s office and Denver Department of Human services to conduct child forensic interviews
2005 New home on Federal Boulevard: in-kind renovations by Amber Homes, KBHome and the Homebuilders Foundation
2005 Denver Safe From the Start abuse prevention program for children ages 3-8 was launched
2006
DCAC accredited by the National Children’s Alliance, the national membership organization for child advocacy centers. Accreditation ensures rigorous standards of quality and professionalism are achieved. DCAC also received the Outstanding Organization Award from the Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance (COVA).

2010
Department of Justice awarded one of six national demonstration grants to DCAC to expand and evaluate the impact of Denver Safe From the Start.

2013-2015
DCAC began a new initiative to take mental health care into the community-homes, early childhood centers, and schools where our interventions can have the most impact.

2014
Mayor Hancock officially opened the Medical House, the third build on DCAC’s Children’s Campus.

2015
DCAC celebrates its 20th anniversary.

2010
DCAC opened a second building on campus: the Forensic Interview House.
Our New Website

One of the many ways we celebrated our 20th Anniversary in 2015 was to launch a new interactive website. An online extension of our warm and welcoming child-friendly campus, the site has a wealth of information in both English and Spanish for parents and professionals.

In addition to downloading FAQs on trauma, child abuse prevention, and healthy childhood development, visitors can check out the calendar of events, learn about volunteer opportunities, register for a training session, or make a donation.

Come visit us at www.DenverCAC.org and...
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2015 Financials

**Revenues**

- In-Kind: 2%
- Interest Income: 1%
- Special Events: 5%
- Earned Income: 57%
- Contributions: 8%
- Private Grants: 27%

**Total Revenue** $1,873,491

**Expenses**

- Management & General: 14%
- Fundraising: 10%
- Training: 5%
- Prevention: 13%
- Forensic Interviews: 24%
- Assessment & Treatment: 34%

**Total Expenses** $1,693,407
Statistics

Last year, DCAC worked with 901 children who had been sexually abused and 332 who were traumatized by extreme violence. In addition, 63 children had witnessed homicide or lost parents or other family members to murder.

Ethnicity of children served in 2015

- Hispanic/Latino: 53%
- Caucasian: 20%
- African American: 11%
- Asian: 1%
- Multiracial: 12%
- Other: 3%

Ages of children served in 2015

- 0-6: 40%
- 7-12: 38%
- 13-18: 22%

Gender of children served in 2015

- Female: 65%
- Male: 35%

DCAC provided:

- 578 forensic interviews
- 1,581 children received assessment, crisis management & mental health services
- 913 parents /caregivers received family support services
- 2,908 children, 106 parents and 183 teachers received prevention programming
- 1,329 professionals and community members were reached with training and consultations
- Community Outreach Mental Health Initiative served 1,108 children, 104 parents and 167 professionals
Thank You to Our Donors

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DCAC took every care to ensure that accuracy of these donors lists. If your name or business is not listed, or we have made some other error, we sincerely apologize. Please let us know – and please also know how truly grateful we are for your support.
Celebrating
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to the thousands of individual donors, corporations, foundations, sponsors, multidisciplinary team members, agencies, and organizations that make our work possible.

20 years