
Join us on October 24th for our very first fundraiser with Modern Market! Come and enjoy a delicious meal at the 16th Street Mall Modern Market location, mention this fundraiser, and DCAC will receive 50% of the proceeds.

When? Tuesday, October 24th from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Help Us Stack the Snacks this Holiday Season!

Every child who comes through our doors at the Denver Children’s Advocacy Center (DCAC) is offered a juice and a snack during their visit. Sometimes children come to DCAC for regularly scheduled therapy appointments and other times children are brought to DCAC in the middle of the night for emergency forensic interviews. Regardless of the time of day or situation, they are always offered a juice and a snack.

With over 1,500 children in our therapy program and nearly 600 forensic interviews completed in 2016... we go through a lot of snacks! With your help, we can continue to offer these treats to the children we see.

From now until the end of the year, you can support these children by collecting snacks and juice boxes for DCAC! For a complete list of items, please click here. Once you’ve collected the snacks, please contact Anna Friedman, DCAC’s Office Manager & Program Assistant, to arrange a drop off or pick up.

Help us stack the snacks and celebrate the season of giving!

To arrange a pick up or if you have any questions, please contact Anna Friedman at Anna@DenverCAC.org or 303.825.3850.

To view snack list, please click here.
Kids for ColoradoGives connects the next generation of Colorado givers with local nonprofit organizations. At KidsforColoradoGives.org, young donors experience the joy of giving in a fun, safe environment. KidsforColoradoGives.org is a kid-friendly component of the popular website ColoradoGives.org, a year-round giving site that also powers Colorado Gives Day.

To learn more about Kids for Colorado Gives and to view DCAC's profile, please click the button below.

Thank You Mountain West Young Credit Union Professionals!

On Friday, September 22nd, we had a group of 19 volunteers on campus from the Mountain West Young Credit Union Professionals group (MWYCUP)!
This is the second year that MWYCUP has volunteered at DCAC and we were so excited to have them back. The group tackled a huge amount of helpful tasks on Friday morning including bleaching toys, deep cleaning waiting rooms and therapy rooms, washing windows, and decorating our campus for the Denver Race for the Cure. It was so fun for our staff members Meghan and Anna to spend the morning with this energetic group and to learn more about the organization. MWYCUP’s philosophy is “people helping people” and we cannot thank them enough for their help last month.

Thank you again, MWYCUP! You are making such a difference in our community and across the nation!

Support our Therapy Program through our Wish List!

Do you want to directly support our therapy program? Check out our wish list today! Our wish list consists of items selected by our team of therapists for our treatment and assessment program. With over 1,500 clients in our therapy program in 2016, we are always in need of new items to make our therapy rooms warm, cozy, and inviting.

If you are interested in purchasing items from our wish list or have questions, please contact DCAC’s Development Associate, Meghan Parman, at MParman@DenverCAC.org.

DCAC's Halloween Safety Tips
With Halloween right around the corner, please remember to be safe while trick-or-treating or celebrating. Below are some tips to ensure a fun and safe holiday!

**Trick-or-Treat Safety**
1. Trick-or-treat with an adult. Children under the age of 12 should be alone at night without adult supervision. If children are mature enough to be out without an adult, remind them to stick to familiar routes and trick-or-treat in groups.
2. Only cross streets at corners using cross walks and following traffic signals.
3. Always walk on sidewalks or paths.
4. Put down electronic devices and keep your head up while walking across the street.
5. Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.

**Costume Safety**
1. Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers.
2. Avoid masks if possible. They can obstruct a child's vision.
3. When choosing a costume, make sure it is the correct size to avoid tripping or falling.
4. Have kids carry glow sticks and flashlights to help them be seen by drivers.

For more safety tips, please [click here](#).

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Join Us for #PurpleThursday!
October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and purple is the color of domestic violence awareness. Join us and the National Network to End Domestic Violence on Tomorrow for #PurpleThursday!

1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime. An average of 3 women die every day at the hands of a current or former intimate partner.

Join us by:

Wearing or displaying purple on Thursday, October 19 to raise awareness about domestic violence.

Share a photo using the hashtag #PurpleThursday!

Dedicate your Birthday to DCAC through Donate to Celebrate
Do you have an upcoming birthday? Are you still deciding how you would like to celebrate it? By dedicating your birthday to DCAC, you can celebrate your special day by supporting our community's most vulnerable children and their families.

We invite you to pledge your birthday and raise funds to support the 1 in 10 children who will be sexually abused before their 18th birthdays. Because birthdays should be a celebration - not a statistic of childhood sexual abuse.

To learn more about how you can dedicate your birthday, please click here or contact Meghan at MParman@DenverCAC.org

Let's celebrate together!

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Staff & Volunteer Corner

Meet DCAC Volunteer, Thomas!

Q: What is your role as a volunteer at DCAC?
A: As a volunteer at DCAC, I help out at the front desk by taking calls, helping families fill out forms, offering snacks to the kids, and letting staff members know when a family has arrived. I also help with various tasks on the computer, restocking snacks and juice, and cleaning up waiting areas.

Q: Where do you go to school and what are you studying?
A: I attend Metropolitan State University of Denver and I am studying to become a social worker in the field of child and family welfare.

Q: What do you find most rewarding about volunteering at DCAC?
A: I find giving snacks to kids and seeing a smile on their face most rewarding. DCAC’s mission to help children who have faced traumatic situations makes me want to be a social worker as soon as
Q: What is your dream job?
A: When I was younger, I always wanted to be a fashion or interior designer. As I got older, I thought to myself, "Why not study for a career that can help people who are in need?" At first, I wanted to be a psychologist but then I ended up finding my passion for social work. I always have had a compassionate heart for children and their families, but when I was learning about what social workers do, it changed my heart and made me realize that being a social worker is my dream job. As a future social worker, I am ready to take on any task that I am given that will help children in need. I am ready to make a difference for others.

Q: Do you have any hidden talents?
A: I can role my tongue into a taco and I am double jointed in both of my thumbs. I also love yoga because it is a very fun exercise that I find easy to adapt to. Additionally, I am very organized, love to clean, and have a huge soft spot in my heart for kids.