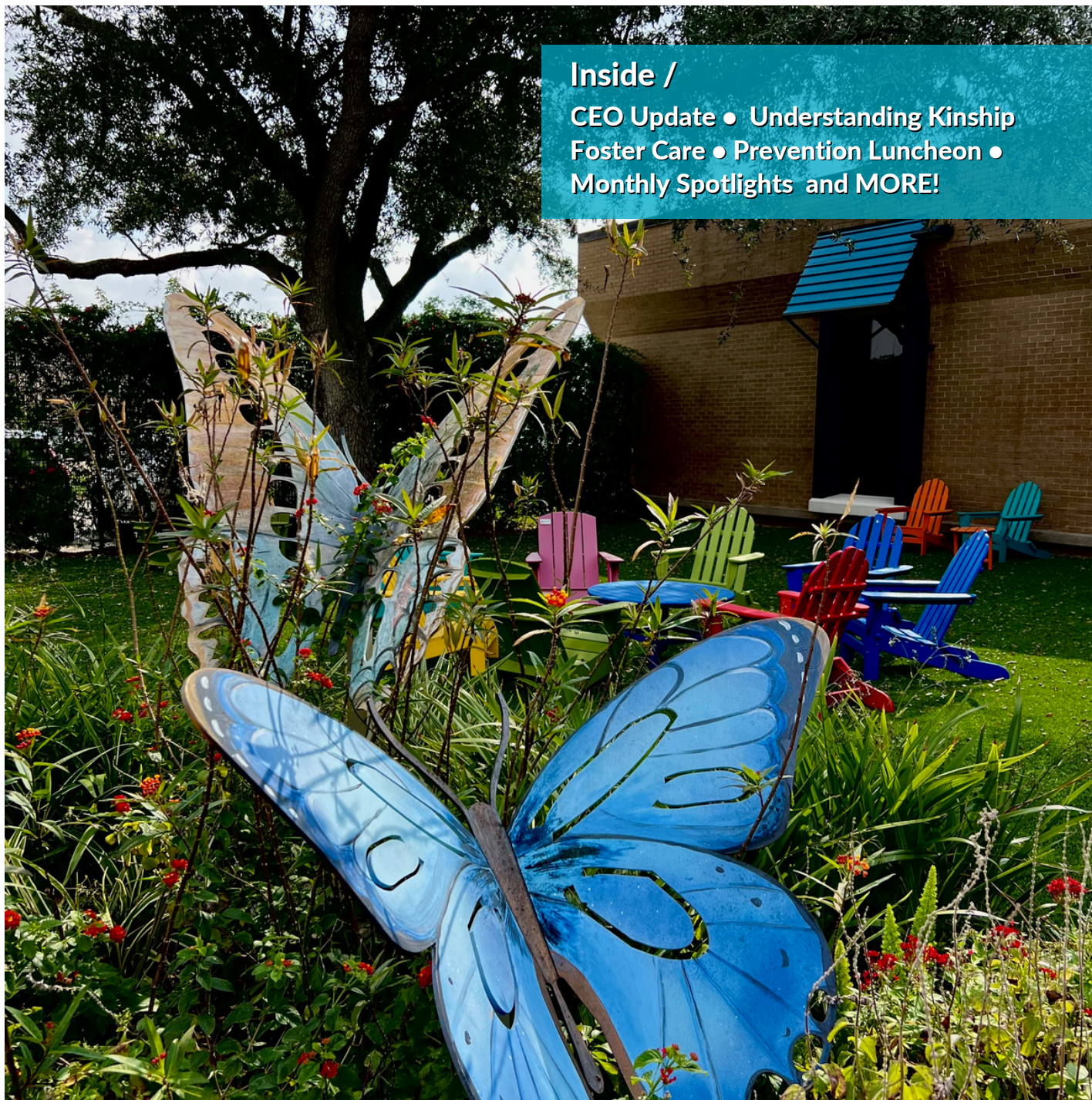


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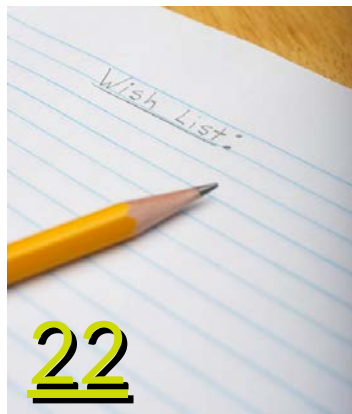


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Strengthen the Child's Voice, Heal the Hurt, and Break the Cycle of Abuse and Neglect for Children and Families in Fort Bend and surrounding counties.



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from the ceo

Welcome to our latest issue of VOICES. . . .

Welcome Friends,

We've had a very busy and productive summer at Child Advocates of Fort Bend with more children here for forensic interviews than usual during the summer months, more children coming into foster care, the official opening of our Care Coordination services for commercially sexually exploited youth, pre-service training in which we swore in 17 new volunteers and so much more. We are delighted and deeply grateful to Brigit Engleman, Lynn Halford and all our Friends Council members and donors who contributed to the largest backpack program in our history. Over 270 new backpacks were purchased, personalized for each child and lovingly given to our kiddoes so they were equipped and ready on their first day of school. Shout out to Brigit and Lynn who lead

this enormous undertaking every year! The start of the new school year is a time of excitement but can also bring apprehension and challenges. Now that school is back in session, we turn our attention to educational and medical advocacy. As children get settled in their classrooms, our CASA Volunteers will be meeting with teachers and counselors to advocate for children's academic goals in the coming school year. This is a very important component of our advocacy work to ensure that children are accessing all available resources and enrichment services for any areas of need so that they meet their goals and celebrate their milestones and achievements. Many children start off the year with medical appointments and our

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CASA Advocates work with their medical providers to determine if they have medical needs that should be addressed. CAC therapists, Clinical Family Advocates and our entire team accommodate our children's changing schedules now that they are back in the classrooms during the day to make sure that they continue to receive critical trauma-informed therapy and support.

September is Suicide Prevention Month. We now administer suicide risk screenings for all our children so that we can quickly identify children in need and access resources immediately. Suicide is the second leading cause of death for children, adolescents and young adults. Among younger children, suicide attempts are often impulsive. They may be associated with feelings of sadness, confusion, anger, or problems with attention and hyperactivity. Among teenagers, suicide attempts may be associated with feelings of stress, self-doubt, pressure to succeed, financial uncertainty, disappointment and loss. With screenings and early intervention, children and adolescents can have their illness recognized and diagnosed, and can access treatment and referrals to mental health professionals which result in comprehensive treatment plans.

September is also Grandparents Month. For many of our children, grandparents are their primary caregivers or play a key role in these children's lives. We thank all the grandparents and foster grandparents who have stepped up to provide care and support to their grandchildren during times of transition or permanently. Their



grandchildren often carry high trauma from adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), while older caregivers may face stress, or unique financial or emotional hurdles while trying to break intergenerational cycles of abuse. Grandparents can be a lifeline for these children.

Thank you to all our volunteers, donors and partners who wrap around these children with your time, talents and treasures. You are making a huge difference in these children's lives.

For The Children's Sake,

Ruthanne

Ruthanne Mefford, CEO





CHILD ADVOCATES OF FORT BEND™

Child Abuse Prevention Luncheon

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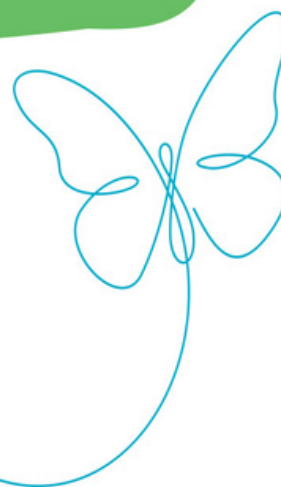
September 11, 2026
11am until 1pm

at the Houston Marriott Sugar Land

Featuring Emmy-nominated and award-winning journalist
Sharron Melton *as emcee* and child abuse survivor
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This event serves as a fundraising opportunity with proceeds directed toward resources, support for children and families suffering the effects of child abuse, and safety education to prevent children from being abused.

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Child Abuse Prevention Luncheon



Meet Our Speaker

Join us for an unforgettable presentation as Rachel Fischer courageously shares her journey through some of life's most difficult challenges. Born into a gang-affiliated family, Rachel experienced foster care placement, a mother serving time in prison, the murder of her brother, abuse, neglect, homelessness, divorce, near-death experiences, and commercial sexual exploitation. Through her remarkable resilience, Rachel survived these experiences, became a registered nurse, and harnesses the power and insights of her lived experience as a pioneer in the battle against modern-day human trafficking.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear her inspiring story and discover how you can make a difference in protecting children and strengthening our community.

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Please join us for our 2nd Annual
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FEATURE STORY

Understanding Kinship Foster Care

By Aly Ferrante

When children are unable to safely remain with their parents, finding a stable, loving environment becomes a top priority. While many people are familiar with traditional foster care, fewer understand the important role that kinship foster care plays in supporting children and preserving family connections during difficult times.

Kinship foster care occurs when a child is cared for by a relative or another trusted adult who already has a meaningful relationship with them. These caregivers may be grandparents, aunts, uncles, adult siblings, cousins, godparents, close family friends, or other individuals who have been a consistent presence in the child's life. Rather than entering a home with strangers, children are able to remain with people they know, trust, and often love.

For children experiencing the uncertainty that comes with entering foster care, familiar faces can make a tremendous difference. Being placed with a relative or trusted adult can help reduce feelings of fear, anxiety, and loss during a period of significant change. The comfort of a familiar home, family traditions, and established relationships can provide a sense of stability when it is needed most.

CASA has seen firsthand the impact these connections can have on children. Since 2021, CASA has been involved with a sibling group of eight children who entered foster care and were initially separated among multiple foster homes. Like many siblings in care, maintaining those family relationships became an important priority. Over time, positive permanency

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outcomes began to emerge. The children's step-grandparents were able to adopt two of the siblings, while a former neighbor, someone who had often cared for the children before they entered foster care, adopted another one of the siblings.

What makes this story especially meaningful is that both adoptive placements had preexisting relationships with the children and their family. Because of those connections, they understand the importance of preserving sibling relationships. They have made it a priority to ensure the children continue seeing one another on a regular basis, maintaining bonds that have been a source of comfort, support, and stability throughout their journey. Although the siblings do not all live in the same home, they remain connected through the commitment and dedication of the adults who care for them.

Stories like this demonstrate why kinship and familiar placements are so valuable. Children benefit when they can remain connected to their family history, culture, and community. They are more likely to maintain relationships

with siblings and extended family members, preserve a sense of identity, and experience less disruption during an already challenging time.

As communities, we can support kinship families by recognizing their unique needs and connecting them with resources such as financial assistance, caregiver training, counseling services, respite care, and support networks. When kinship caregivers receive the support they need, children are better positioned to thrive in a nurturing and stable environment.

Kinship foster care is more than a placement option. It is a powerful reminder that kinship connections matter. The story of these eight siblings shows that even when children cannot remain together in one home, committed relatives and trusted adults can help preserve the relationships that are so essential to their well-being. By keeping children connected to the people who know them best, kinship care helps strengthen families, maintain lifelong bonds, and create brighter futures for children facing difficult circumstances



Foster Grandparents Learn the Power of Connection with TBRI®

By Alli Waterwall



Child Advocates of Fort Bend was honored to host Health and Human Services Foster Grandparent Program, discovering the power of connection through Trust-Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®). This inspiring program matches volunteers, age 55 and older, with children who benefit from consistent encouragement, mentorship, and one-on-one support within the education system. These volunteers bring compassion and life experience to every interaction, and this training equipped them with additional trauma-informed strategies to strengthen the relationships they build every day.

From the moment the training began, the room was filled with energy, engagement, and genuine joy. Participants eagerly shared stories from their own experiences, asked thoughtful questions, and reflected on how TBRI principles could strengthen the relationships they build with the children they serve. Laughter, meaningful conversations, and moments of heartfelt reflection created an atmosphere where learning was both inspiring and deeply personal.

One message resonated throughout the day: every educator and every adult who plays a role in a child's educational journey should

have access to this training. Participants spoke avidly about the importance of equipping teachers, school staff, and education professionals with TBRI principles, recognizing that understanding the impact of trauma—and seeing behavior as a form of communication—can transform classrooms into places where children feel safe, seen, and valued.

The enthusiasm in the room was a powerful reminder that when caring adults are equipped with practical, relationship-based tools, they become even stronger advocates for the children in their care. By embracing TBRI®, these remarkable Foster Grandparents are strengthening their ability to build trust, foster resilience, and create meaningful connections that can change the trajectory of a child's life. Child Advocates of Fort Bend is honored to partner with the Foster Grandparent Program in equipping these dedicated volunteers with skills that will continue to impact children long after the training ends. Their passion, openness to learning, and heartfelt commitment to serving others made this an unforgettable day. Together, we are building stronger relationships, creating more compassionate schools and communities, and ensuring every child has the opportunity to experience connection, healing, and hope.



Myths and Misconceptions about Suicide

According to the World Health Organization, suicide is one of the leading causes of death among people ages 15 to 29 worldwide. Childhood trauma can significantly increase the risk of suicidal thoughts and attempts, especially when a young person experiences repeated or cumulative trauma. Although suicide is often imagined as something visible, like a dark cloud following someone, it frequently remains hidden behind the everyday masks people wear. Because trauma can make warning signs harder to notice, it is important to understand common myths about suicide and learn how to respond with compassion and care.

Myth 1: Talking about suicide makes a person more likely to act on it.

False. Talking about suicide does not increase the risk that someone will die by suicide. In fact, asking direct, compassionate questions can help save a life. When a person feels heard and supported, they may feel less isolated and more willing to accept help.

Myth 2: People who are suicidal are completely determined to die.

False. Many people who experience suicidal thoughts do not truly want to die; they want relief from intense emotional pain or overwhelming circumstances. Because many people feel conflicted, timely support and conversations about safer options can be critical.

Myth 3: People who talk about suicide are only seeking attention.

False. Any mention of suicide should be taken seriously. When someone says they are suicidal, it may be a sign that they are overwhelmed and reaching out for help. Responding with concern, listening without judgment, and connecting them to support can make a meaningful difference.

Myth 4: Suicide only affects people with a mental health diagnosis.

False. Many people with mental health diagnoses are not impacted by suicidal thoughts, just as many people who die by suicide do not have a mental health diagnosis. Life stressors such as the death of a loved one, trauma, and sexual abuse are also associated with suicidal ideation and attempts.

Myth 5: Suicides happen suddenly without warning

False. Warning signs almost always precede suicide. Therefore, it is imperative to know the warning signs. Signs include behavioral changes, extreme withdrawal from family friends or the community, expressions of hopelessness, and dramatic mood swings.

Acknowledging myths and misconceptions about suicide is an important step toward reducing stigma. Take time to learn the warning signs, stay informed, and respond with care.



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Did you know that Child Advocates of Fort Bend participates in the TX CASA Specialty License Plate Program? You can order a custom license plate with the phrase "Big Voices for Little Texans". Not only can you spread awareness and show your support for us but a portion of the cost of the plate goes to Texas CASA and the local programs to increase our statewide efforts to advocate for



every child in the foster care system. To order your plate go to <https://www.txdmv.gov/motorists/license-plates> and search for CASA under specialty plates OR visit your local tax assessor's office and ask for the Court Appointed Special Advocate license plate.

STAFF UPDATES



Megan DeYoung, LCSW Clinical Family Advocate

Please join us in congratulating our Clinical Family Advocate, Megan DeYoung on becoming a Licensed Clinical Social Worker! Megan has been a Clinical Family Advocate with the Children's Advocacy Center since 2023. The impact that she has had on the children and families who have walked through our doors is immeasurable. Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do to support those whom we serve, Megan!



Meet Katie Minor, LCSW Therapist II

Hello! My name is Mary Minor, but I go by Katie! I am a Registered Play Therapist (RPT for short) and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW). I have experience working in the school system, foster care system, and non-profit setting as a therapist. As a Therapist II at Child Advocates of Fort Bend, I contribute to the vision of ending the cycle of child abuse by ensuring children receive trauma-informed treatment and support the family system by including their caregiver in their healing process. In my free time, I like to swim, spend time with friends, read, and hang out with my tuxedo cat, Maggie!



Summer Programming

This summer, youth served through our WINGS and NEST programs enjoyed meaningful opportunities to learn, explore, and prepare for the future through a variety of educational and enrichment activities.

The WINGS Program kicked off its annual Campus Crawl by taking CASA and Child Advocacy Center youth to visit Sam Houston State University. The experience gave participants an inside look at college life and the many opportunities available to them after high school. During the visit, youth toured the campus, explored a residence hall, and learned about the university's academic programs and student resources. One of the highlights of the day was connecting with Sam Houston State University's FORWARD Program, which provides support and resources for students with foster care experience as they pursue higher education. The visit helped youth envision their future and discover pathways to achieving their educational goals.

The NEST Program also hosted its annual Back-to-School Summer Program, providing youth with a fun-filled day of learning, creativity, and community engagement. The day began at Reining Strength Therapeutic Horsemanship, where participants learned about horsemanship and experienced a unique connection with the horses. Youth expressed their creativity by painting beautiful murals

that reflected their personalities and individual stories on the horses. They also had the exciting opportunity to try their hand at "leading," gaining confidence while working directly with the animals.

After an active morning, youth enjoyed a delicious lunch at Alings, generously provided by CAFB board member, Irfan Motiwala. His support helped make the day even more special and allowed participants to recharge before the afternoon's adventures.

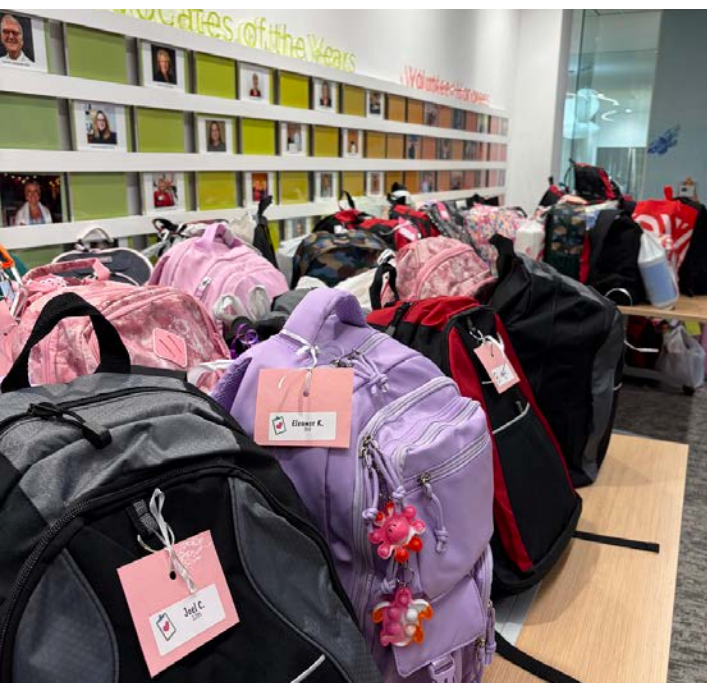
The group then traveled to the Houston Museum of Natural Science at Sugar Land, where they explored fascinating exhibits and engaged in hands-on learning experiences. The day concluded with an informative safety presentation from the Sheriff's Office, equipping youth with important knowledge and practical tips to help them stay safe as they prepare to return to school.

From exploring college campuses and learning about future opportunities to building confidence, creativity, and life skills, this summer's programming provided youth with experiences that were both educational and memorable. We are grateful to our community partners, volunteers, and supporters who help make these opportunities possible and continue to invest in the bright futures of the children and youth we serve.



BACKPACKS AND SHOES

A heartfelt thank you to Friends of Child Advocates of Fort Bend and everyone who supported their Backpack Drive, helping fill more than 270 backpacks with school supplies for the children we serve as they head back to school ready to succeed. We also extend our gratitude to the Young Men's Service League and their moms for helping deliver the backpacks, and to the St. Laurence Social Concerns Ministry and the parishioners of St. Laurence Church for their generous annual donation of 50 pairs of new shoes. Your continued kindness and support help ensure children start the school year feeling confident, comfortable, and ready to learn. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of children in our community, year after year!



Community Connections:

A Summer of Prevention, Education, and Hope

This summer, the Community Engagement Team at Child Advocates of Fort Bend was honored to connect with hundreds of children, families, educators, volunteers, and community partners throughout Fort Bend County. Every presentation, training, and community event provided an opportunity to strengthen our shared commitment to protecting children and preventing abuse before it happens.

Our summer began with several meaningful outreach opportunities at Nery's Promise, where we delivered age-appropriate child safety education to preschool, elementary-aged children, and teens, while also providing prevention training for adults. These sessions equipped participants with practical tools to recognize unsafe situations, identify trusted adults, and help create safer environments for children.

We also had the privilege of visiting Grand Lakes Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School, where children learned about Child Advocates of Fort Bend and how our organization supports children and families throughout the community. Through engaging discussions about personal safety and trusted adults, we helped reinforce important prevention messages in a fun, age-appropriate setting.

Supporting those who advocate for children is equally important. This summer, our team

provided an Educational Advocacy Training for CASA volunteers, equipping them with information and resources to better advocate for the educational success and well-being of the children they serve.

At the River Pointe Missouri City Serve Camp, we presented a Child Advocates of Fort Bend Overview and Child Abuse Prevention Training for children participating in the camp. Through interactive discussions, campers learned about personal safety, recognizing unsafe situations, identifying trusted adults, and the importance of speaking up when something doesn't feel right. It was inspiring to see so many young people engaged and eager to learn how to keep themselves and their friends safe.

Throughout the summer, we also connected with professionals and families through community events and conferences. Our team hosted information booths at the Lamar CISD Secondary Counselors Summit, the Texas High School Coaches Association Conference (through Texas CASA), the Access Health Back-to-School Fair, and the Anti-Trafficking Summit. These events allowed us to share resources, answer questions, and build new partnerships with educators, coaches, service providers, and families who are dedicated to supporting children.

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As the new school year approached, we had the opportunity to provide Fort Bend ISD teachers with a Child Advocates of Fort Bend Overview and Scope of Services. During these sessions, educators learned about the programs and resources available through Child Advocates of Fort Bend, how we partner with schools to support children and families impacted by abuse or neglect, and ways to connect students and families with our services when additional support is needed.

To close out the summer, we were proud to celebrate the beginning of a new school year by representing Child Advocates of Fort Bend at Connect to George Junior High and Lamar CISD's First Day of School Red Carpet Event. These events provided wonderful opportunities to welcome students and families back to school.

We are grateful to every organization, school, church, volunteer, and community member who welcomed us this summer. Together, we are creating a safer, stronger Fort Bend County, one child, one family, and one conversation at a time.



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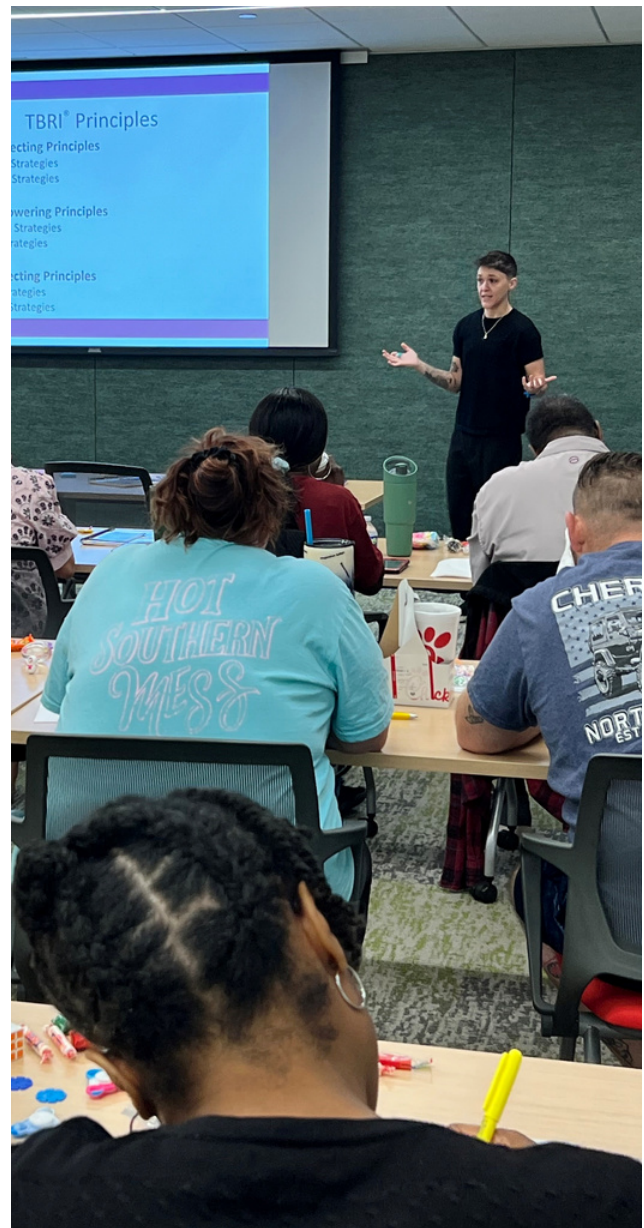
The George Foundation and TBRI®

With a focus on improving the lives of its neighbors, The George Foundation has a legacy of strategic partnerships, including collaboration with the nonprofit community and youth in Fort Bend County to support personal success, enhance community care and causes that improve the quality of life for residents.

Recently The George Foundation continued its support of the Fort Bend Trust-Based Relational Intervention Collaborative (TBRI®) by funding its training efforts for the second year that the Collaborative has been under the leadership of Child Advocates of Fort Bend. In fact, The George Foundation has supported the Fort Bend TBRI Collaborative with seed funding and strategic planning since its early stages, which are a testament to their investment in long-term systemic improvement for a stronger Fort Bend community. Their current Chief Grants Officer is also one of the early developers and practitioners of the program.

Led by CAFB TBRI Program Lead, Alli Waterwall, the Collaborative is currently made up of 13 active public and private partner TBRI Practitioners serving Fort Bend and surrounding counties. Organizations involved in the Collaborative

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are Child Advocates of Fort Bend, Fort Bend County Juvenile Probation, Fort Bend County Behavioral Health, Lamar Consolidated ISD, Parks Youth Ranch and Family Roots for Life. Using the principles of TBRI of Connecting, Empowering and Correcting, taught by the Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development at Texas Christian University (TCU), the Collaborative hopes to equip child welfare professionals, volunteers, teachers, juvenile justice professionals and those who support youth in need with tools and techniques that bring healing and hope to vulnerable children.

Last year alone the Collaborative trained 1,106 professionals and community members. The second year grant allows the Collaborative to transition to Phase Two of its goals to build community partnership by encouraging individuals and organizations

that have received training to implement the TBRI strategies in their work or home settings and engage in guided reflection and coaching with experienced TBRI Practitioners who are members of the Collaborative. This process is designed to strengthen participants' ability to effectively support children affected by trauma while fostering a strong network of trauma-informed professionals across the county.

Since the establishment of The George Foundation, nearly \$270 million in grants has been awarded to Fort Bend County nonprofit organizations and scholarship recipients to support cultural, educational, economic and social causes that improve the quality of lives of residents. To learn more about the Fort Bend TBRI Collaborative and register for future trainings, visit www.tbrifortbend.org.

Care Coordination Spotlight:

Responding to Child Trafficking Concerns in Fort Bend

By Renee Johnson

June was an important month for the Care Coordination team at Child Advocates of Fort Bend. After memorandums of understanding were signed with partner agencies, the team received two therapy referrals that same day for children who had been recovered- one in Fort Bend County and one in Dallas.

By July, the work had increased quickly. Additional children were referred to the Care Coordination caseload, bringing more Rapid Response Team Meetings and Service Status Meetings. The increase has kept the team busy and has raised an important question for our community: how significant are trafficking concerns in Fort Bend County?

Child Advocates of Fort Bend has responded to trafficking cases over the years, but this work continues to grow and evolve. Today, Care Coordination supports not only children who have been trafficked, but also children who may be at risk. Early support can make a meaningful difference, especially for children who are already facing vulnerable circumstances.

Children in foster care can be especially vulnerable because of trauma, abandonment, instability, and other difficult experiences. Some may run away from placement, connect with unsafe individuals online, or use websites and apps where exploitation can occur. These warning signs can develop quickly, making early identification and response essential.

The team is also seeing cases involving children who are living with caregivers. In many of these

situations, caregivers have already been trying to manage repeated runaway incidents, unsafe online activity, or other concerning behaviors before CAFB becomes involved. By that point, many families are overwhelmed and in need of practical resources, guidance, and support.

One tool helping guide this work is the Commercial Sexual Exploitation Identification Tool (CSE-IT), which helps assess whether there is no concern, possible concern, or clear concern for exploitation. A clear concern score signals a higher level of risk and helps the team determine when stronger intervention may be needed. Even when trafficking has not occurred, recognizing risk early allows care coordination to step in before further harm happens.

Partnership remains central to the response. Care Coordination connects children and families with Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth Advocates through agencies such as Unbound Now and BCFS Common Thread. These advocates provide education, mentorship, resources, and ongoing support for children and families navigating complex safety concerns.

Through wraparound services, therapy referrals, and strong community partnerships, we continue working to protect vulnerable children and support the caregivers who care for them. As referrals continue, the care coordination team remains committed to responding with compassion, urgency, and the resources families need to move toward safety and stability.



Smart Financial Centre HAS THE POWER!

A big THANK YOU to Smart Financial Centre for helping amplify the important YOU HAVE THE POWER prevention campaign by featuring our PSAs on your marquee. Your partnership plays a valuable role in raising awareness and supporting child abuse prevention efforts throughout Fort Bend County.

Collaboration is essential in child abuse prevention because no single organization or professional can effectively address the complex factors that place children and families at risk. Ultimately, strong partnerships foster healthier communities where children can grow, thrive, and reach their full potential. Thank you again, for helping make Fort Bend County a healthier place for our children and families.



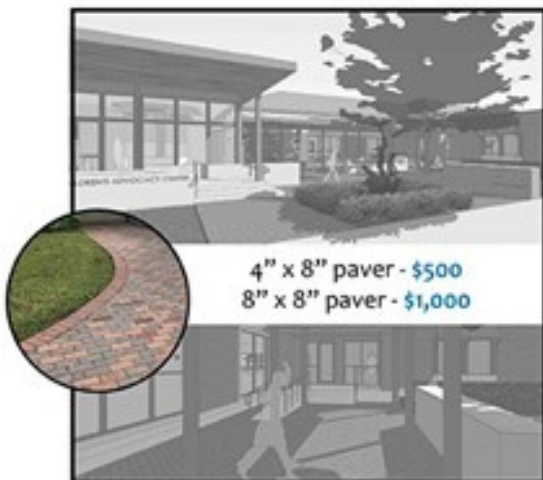
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with Texans Together

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Thursday, September 24
11am - 1pm

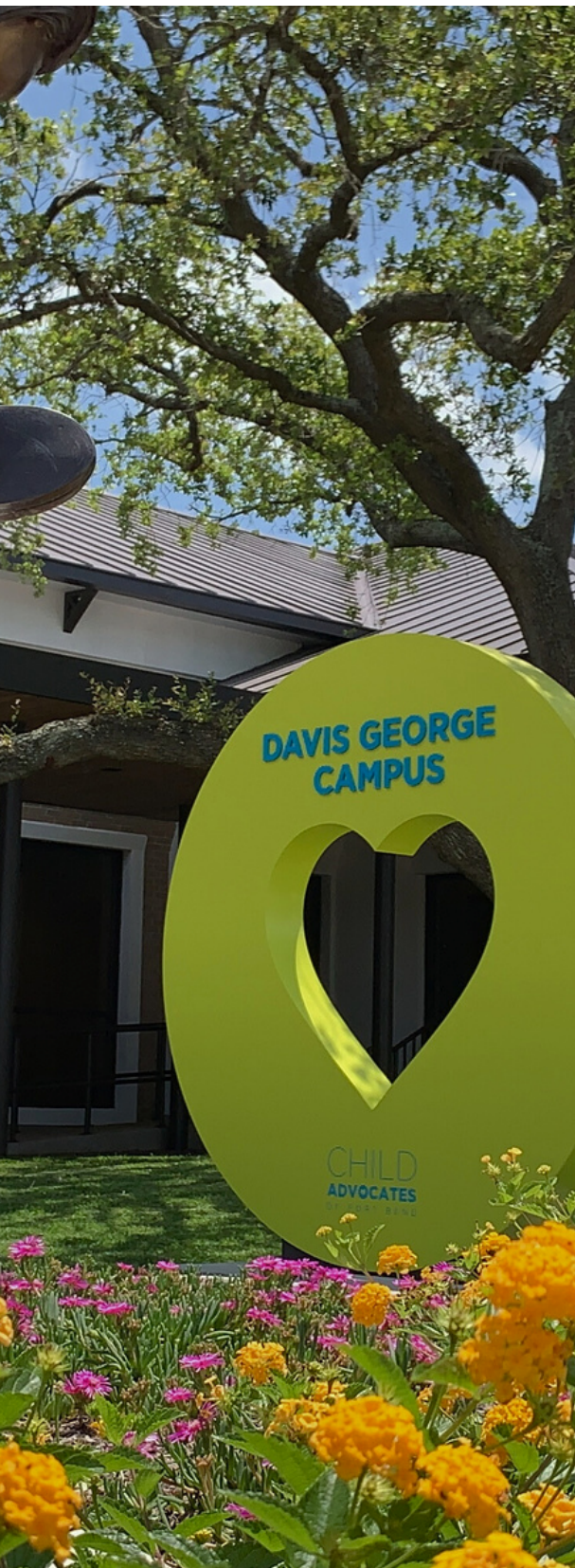
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September 24

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October 24

Year of the Fire Horse Party
at a private residence
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October 13-15

TBRI® Caregiver Training
10:00am - 4:00pm
CAFB Training Room
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October 22

Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children
10:00am - 12:30pm
CAFB Training Room
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hear you, and make you feel understood.
Humans heal in togetherness.
~ Helen Marie*