

You can become a Steward of Children!

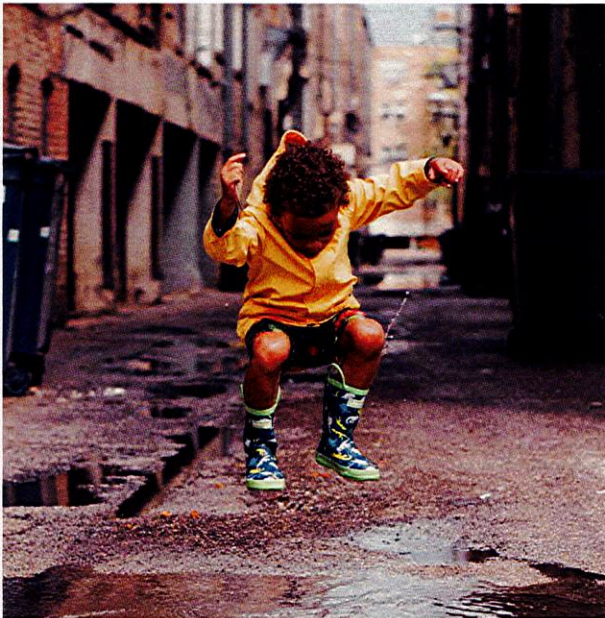
Learn how to prevent, recognize and respond to child abuse, by attending or hosting a Stewards of Children (SOC) workshop.

Prevention is the answer.

Stewards of Children is a 2 hour evidence based training that is proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child protective behaviors. A small investment of 2 hours will forever change the way you care for children and make your community a safer place.

Schedule your training today.

To explore how to host or attend a SOC training, contact CAP at (716) 338-9844.



How to report child abuse.

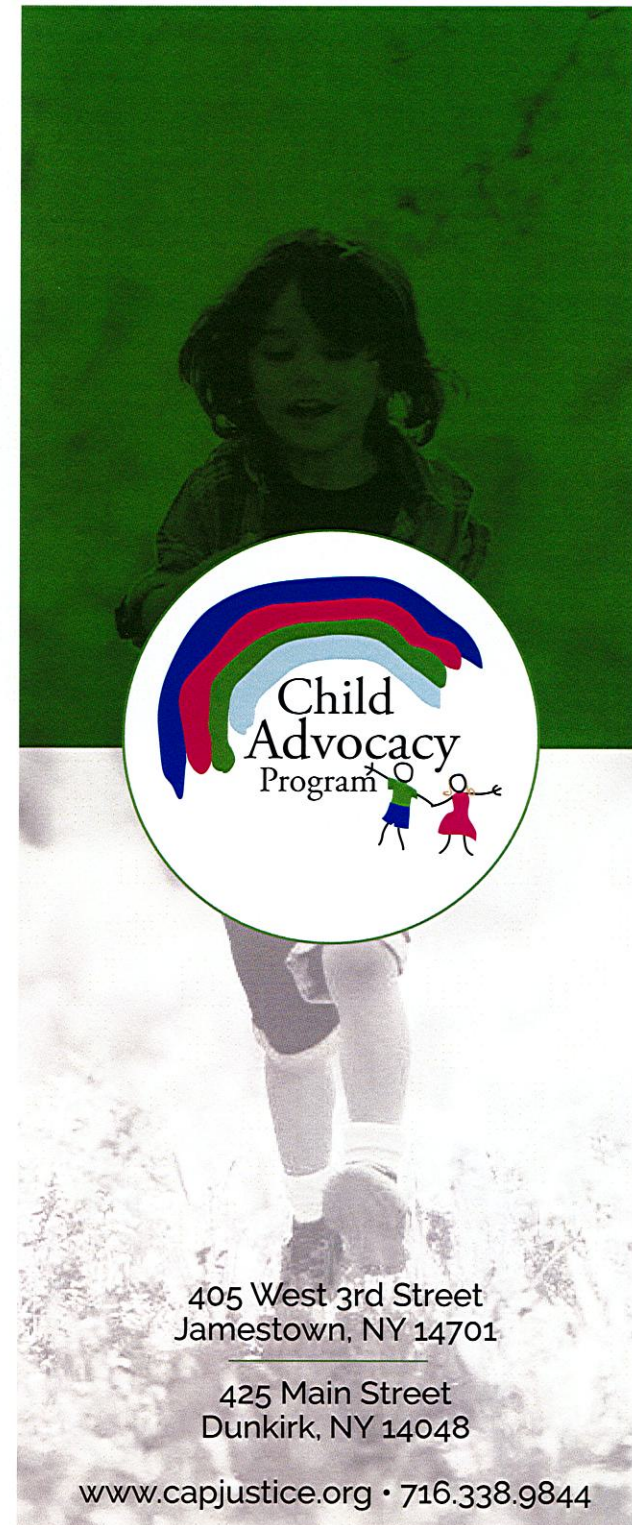
If you suspect child abuse, contact the New York State Abuse Hotline, at:
(800) 342-3720

Or contact your local law enforcement agency.

We can't afford to ignore it.

The effects of child sexual abuse haunt survivors for years, increasing the likelihood of drug and alcohol dependency, eating disorders, teen pregnancy, and violent crime. In the U.S., reported cases of child sexual abuse represent the second most expensive victim crime behind murder, costing the U.S. \$35 billion annually.

It's our job as adults to protect our children.
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Child Advocacy Program (CAP)

CAP's Mission

To end child abuse in Chautauqua County. When abuse occurs, CAP coordinates a community response to bring healing, hope and justice to these children and families.

CAP's Vision is to provide a healthy, abuse-free environment for children in Chautauqua County.



The forensic interview room

You can help!

Your monetary gift could provide a healing trauma-focused therapy session to a child in dire need. Log on to www.capjustice.org to make a life changing contribution today!



Working together for our children.

The Child Advocacy Program (CAP) is a trauma-informed, non-profit agency that supports a team approach to child physical and sexual abuse allegations.

CAP brings agencies together in a child-friendly setting that:

- Is physically and psychologically safe for the child
- Reduces the number of times a child is interviewed
- Lessens the trauma experienced by child victims and non-offending family members
- Holds individuals accountable for their victimization of children.

CAP brings together under one roof:

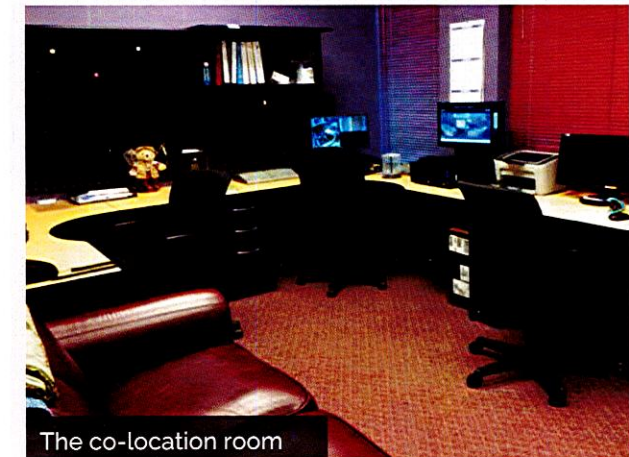
- Counseling Services
- Child Protective Services
- Medical Services
- District Attorney's Office
- Advocacy Services
- Local, County, and State Law Enforcement



One of our child-friendly family waiting areas

Why is The Child Advocacy Program needed?

- Every six minutes a child is sexually abused in the United States.
- In 2019 our county received 2380 reports of suspected child abuse, which puts Chautauqua County in the top 25% for number of child abuse reports in New York State.
- Experts estimate that 1 in 10 children are sexually abused before their 18th birthday.
- More than 90% of children who are sexually abused know their abusers.
- Sexually abused children are at a greater risk than the general population for psychological, emotional, social, and physical problems often lasting into adulthood.



The co-location room