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hours served

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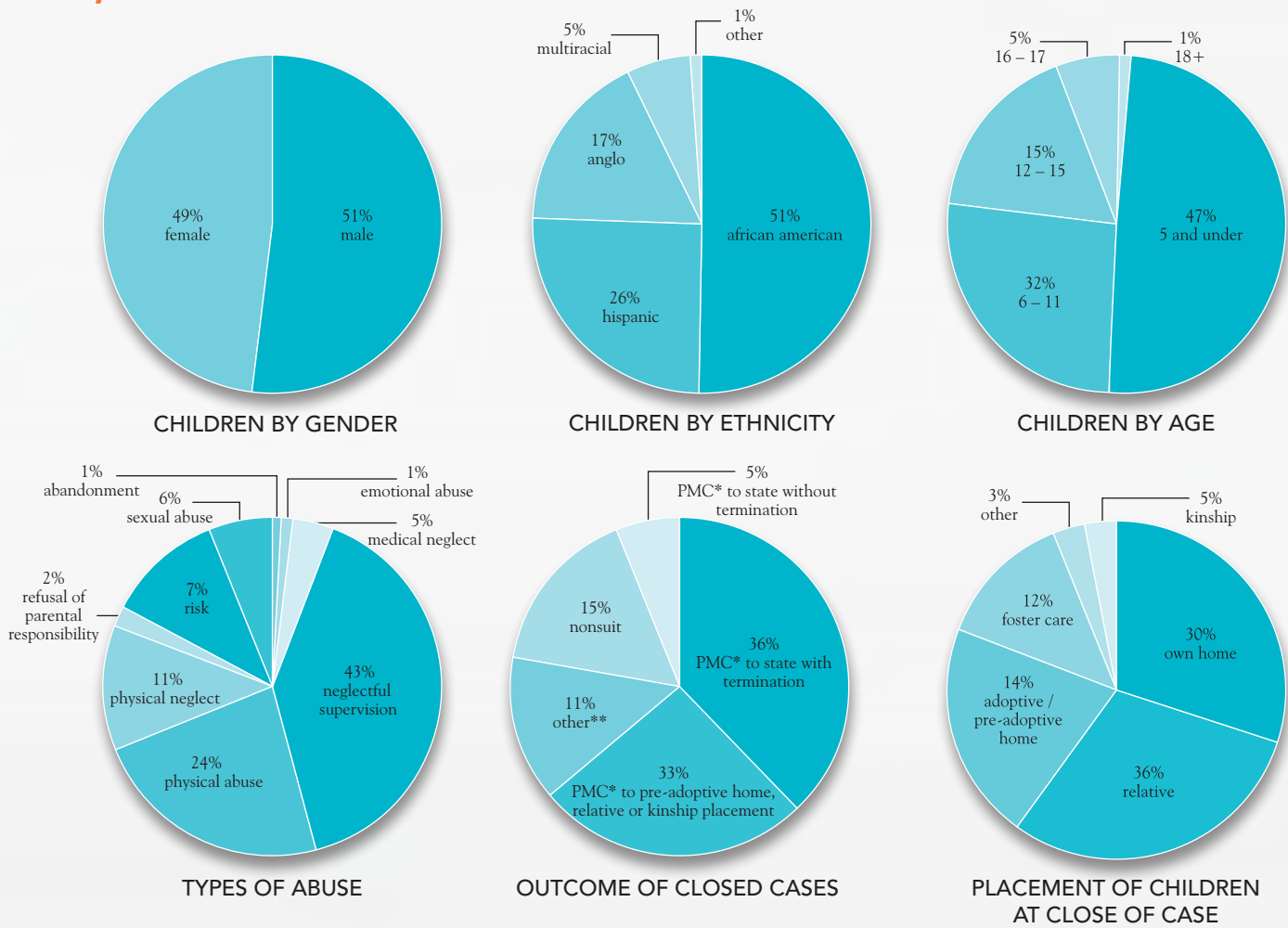
lives changed

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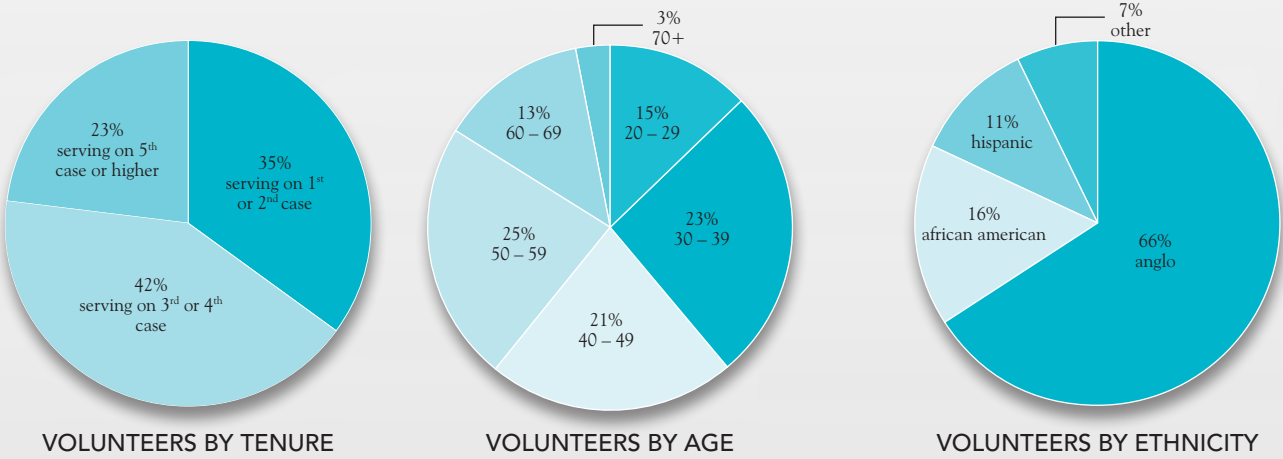
2011 Stewardship Report

2,088 CHILDREN SERVED



In 2011, judges ruled in favor of the outcome recommended by our court appointed advocate volunteers 82% of the time.
*pmc = permanent managing conservatorship **includes death, runaway, adoption, aged out, Lifebook

751 VOLUNTEERS



80 CENTS OF EVERY DOLLAR GOES DIRECTLY TO SERVING ABUSED & NEGLECTED CHILDREN.



“ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND EVERY PERSON SHOULD TRY.”

JOHN F. KENNEDY

Dear friends,

I can't thank you enough for your generous support of Child Advocates in 2011.

Your contribution helped provide 751 court appointed advocate volunteers for 2,088 abused and neglected children last year. These volunteers represented the children's best interests in court so they could find safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible.

Your gift made a difference for children like 8-year-old Emanuel, whose parents had a long history of drug addiction and domestic violence. One particularly nasty fight between his parents began when Emanuel refused to let his dad walk him to the school bus. His mom pointed a gun at his dad's head before shooting a hole in the wall.

Emanuel and his older sister and brother spent a year and a half in foster care while their parents completed drug rehabilitation, anger management and parenting classes and therapy. The children's court appointed advocate, Michael, made sure Emanuel and his siblings were healthy and safe until the judge decided they could return home on a trial basis.

Michael visited the family several times a month to confirm that the parents' progress was genuine and lasting. He monitored their drug screens, interviewed their therapists and maintained contact with Child Protective Services. All three children were happy, were doing well in school and were participating in extracurricular activities.

The judge ultimately agreed with Michael's recommendation that the case should be closed and Emanuel's parents should regain full custody of him and his siblings.

We know from experience that Emanuel's story is not unique. Parents whose children have a court appointed advocate are more likely to participate in therapy, complete parenting classes and seek drug and alcohol treatment. In addition, the children we serve have a more positive attitude, do better in school and are less likely to end up in long-term foster care.

Your support makes this life-changing work possible. We thank you on behalf of Emanuel and the 2,087 other children we served last year.

Respectfully,

Sonya Galvan
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Chief Executive Officer





4 children die every day in the U.S. due to abuse and neglect; 80% of these fatalities are children under the age of four**

32 cases is the average caseload for a CPS caseworker in Region 6 (Harris County + 12 surrounding counties)

266 court appointed advocate volunteers were trained in 2011

5,493 children experienced abuse or neglect in Harris County in 2011*

18,500 children have been served by Child Advocates since 1984

36,198 allegations of child abuse or neglect were reported in Harris County in 2011*

3.3 MILLION children were reported as abused or neglected in the U.S. in 2011 **

\$103 BILLION is the direct and indirect cost of child abuse annually in the U.S.***

\$1,700 is what it costs Child Advocates to serve one child for one year

* source: Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, 2011 Data Book.

** source: U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Child Maltreatment 2009.

*** source: www.preventchildabuse.org

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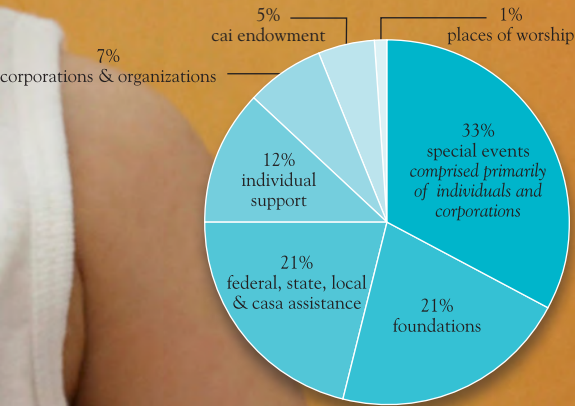
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2011 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

More than 70% of our annual budget comes from donations made by individuals, companies, organizations and foundations. Child Advocates is not a United Way agency so we rely heavily on private giving.

REVENUE, GAINS AND PUBLIC SUPPORT *	
Contributions	\$ 1,978,719
Financial Assistance	\$ 909,654
Memberships	\$ 32,039
Special Events (net of \$269,518 in event expenses)	
Houston Children's Festival	\$ 142,713
Pull for Kids Classic	\$ 587,112
Angels of Hope Luncheon	\$ 263,339
Other Events	\$ 146,065
Other	\$ 10,611
Total Revenue, Gains and Public Support	\$ 4,070,252
EXPENSES*	
Community Services	\$ 2,483,517
Professional Education and Training	\$ 553,360
Management and General	\$ 317,082
Fundraising	\$ 325,687
Total Expenses	\$ 3,679,646
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ 390,606
Ending Net Assets	\$ 1,948,517

* Revenue and expenses do not include in-kind contributions and expenses: advertising – \$141,802, Christmas gifts – \$166,750 and volunteer services \$1,356,146
All data as of December 31, 2011 unaudited financial statements.



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