



## Mission Statement:

The mission of the Granite State Children's Alliance is to provide all victims of child abuse in New Hampshire a neutral environment where justice, healing, equity, and prevention are fostered through the consistent, high quality and sustaining collaboration of community partners.



**Your Support  
Helps Our  
Kids**

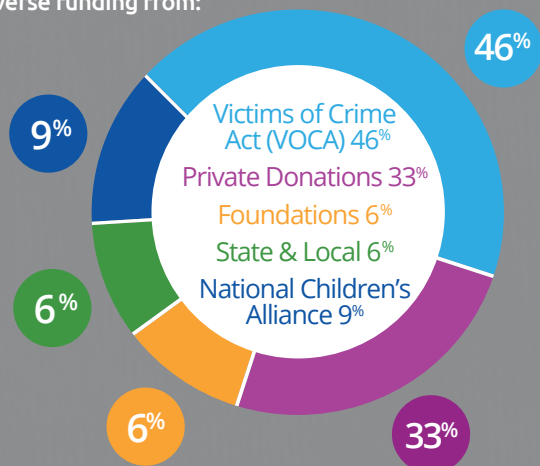
# Heal - Survive - Thrive

Helping child victims of abuse requires a coordinated victim-centered response from expert professionals to reduce trauma during the investigation and subsequent healing process. Child Advocacy Centers partner with the necessary agencies and specialists to coordinate a plan of action to:

- stop the abuse
- promote justice
- heal the child and family

What's more, the CACs provide many of our services in the comfort and convenience of our child-friendly and highly confidential centers.

Diverse funding from:



The Granite State Children's Alliance (GSCA) is a statewide chapter organization dedicated to putting the needs of New Hampshire's child abuse victims first. Accredited by the National Children's Alliance, GSCA operates four Child Advocacy Centers (CACs) directly serving children of Belknap, Cheshire, and Hillsborough Counties. GSCA also serves as the New Hampshire Chapter of the National Children's Alliance, providing technical assistance, training, and organizational resources to all CACs in the state.

**Child Advocacy Center:** Based on a nationally recognized model, CACs are community partnerships dedicated to pursuing the truth in child abuse cases and coordinating social services for child victims. By bringing together law enforcement, county attorneys, protective services, victim advocacy agencies, and health professionals, a CAC provides a safe, developmentally appropriate location for interviewing child victims. Children are interviewed by a forensic interviewer with extensive training and support from the multidisciplinary team.



The staff definitely cared about my child and our situation. They were professional and set us both at ease. My child and I were both impressed with how everything was handled." Thank you.

## Who We Serve:

Shockingly, more than **1,900** children received services from our 11 CACs across every county in NH last year.

**26%** are  
0 - 6  
years old

**60%** are girls  
**40%** are boys



# KNOW & TELL

KNOW & TELL is a public responsibility movement to educate ALL ADULTS to KNOW the signs of abuse and TELL responsible authorities when they recognize them. KNOW & TELL is a program of the Granite State Children's Alliance (GSCA), the Chapter Organization for the network of Child Advocacy Centers. Expert trainers provide interactive and dynamic workshops across NH on how to create a safe community where all adults understand their role as a mandated reporter of child abuse.



Learn the signs of neglect, physical, and sexual abuse to identify a child victim and understand your responsibility as a mandated reporter.

## EDUCATE



Know when and how to report suspected abuse when a child needs your help.

## INFORM



Recognize your role in the child protection system; we all have a responsibility to protect children.

## PROTECT

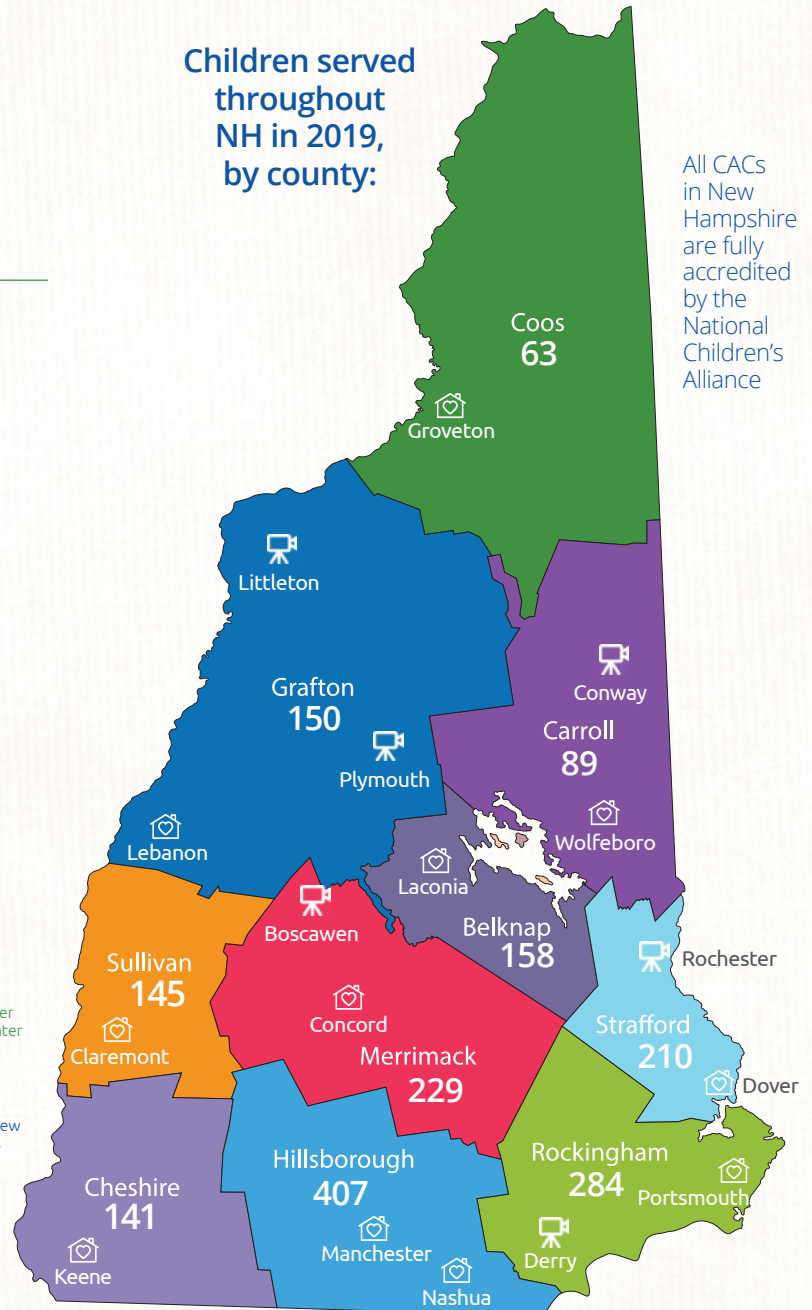
Did you know that **only 1 in 10** incidents of child abuse are ever reported?

## PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITY

- For every child victim who finds the courage to report their abuse, we KNOW that 9 do not
- NH Child Advocacy Centers serve more than 1,900 children in the Granite State every year
- 26% of the children who visit a Child Advocacy Center are not old enough to attend first grade
- 38% of children who visit a Child Advocacy Center are 7-12 years old
- 36% of children who visit a Child Advocacy Center are 13-17 years old
- Only 2/3 of adults know they are mandated reporters of child abuse

Children served throughout NH in 2019, by county:

All CACs in New Hampshire are fully accredited by the National Children's Alliance



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KNOW & TELL education empowers adults to help children in need. Because of this training, I now have clear information on how to recognize the signs of child abuse/neglect and the steps to follow to report it.”

-NH Educator, Hillsborough County

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