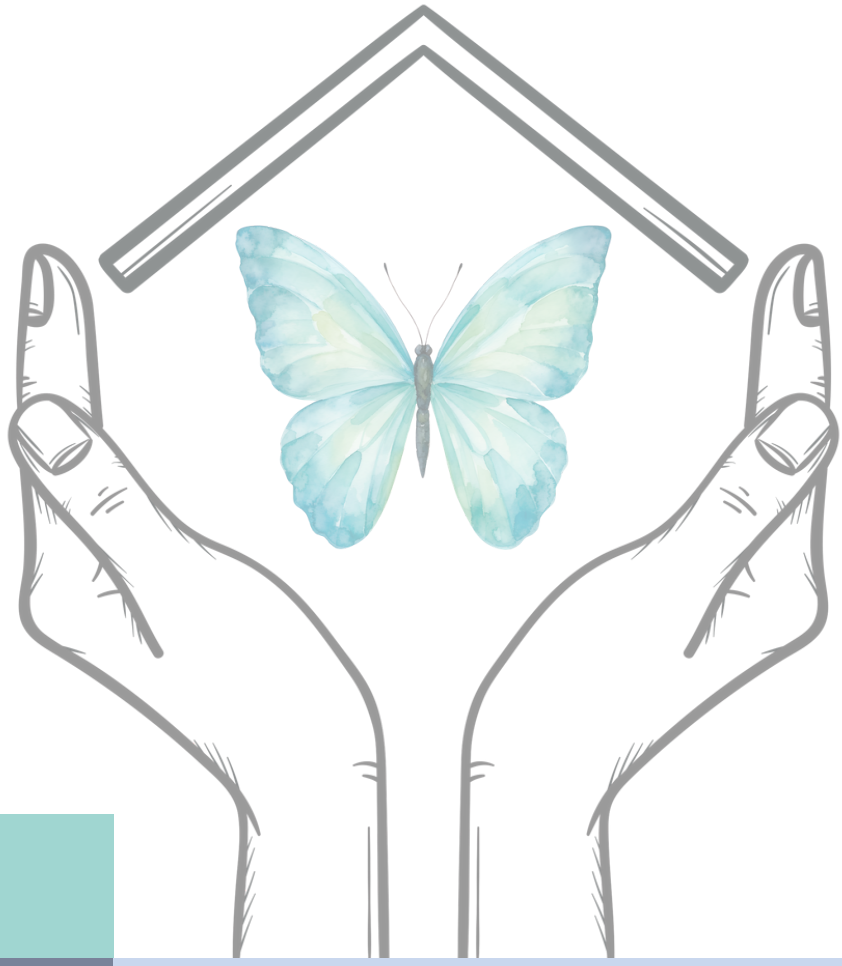


SPREADING OUR WINGS

Expanding Our Reach. Creating More Room for Hope.

BUTTERFLY BRIDGE
CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER

invest in the lives of children

hello

For the past ten years, Butterfly Bridge Children's Advocacy Center has been honored to serve the children and families of Autauga County from our Prattville location. This community has supported us from the very beginning, believing in our mission and helping ensure that no child faces the trauma of abuse without a safe, compassionate place to turn. As the need for services continues to grow, our current space — just 1,250 square feet — can no longer meet the demand. We are serving more children than ever before, and we simply do not have the rooms or the privacy needed to give every family the space and comfort they deserve.

Because of this, expanding isn't just helpful — it's essential. Thanks to the generosity and kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Devers, who recognized our mission and worked with us to make the purchase of this property possible at a price that considered the extensive renovations ahead, we are now beginning the transformation of our new Prattville facility. Once complete, this nearly 4,000-square-foot building will become our forever home, thoughtfully designed to meet the needs of children and families in Autauga County for decades to come. The new building will include more therapy rooms, separate waiting areas for families coming for therapy and forensic interviews, dedicated offices for all staff, and a conference room where our MDT can collaborate more effectively. This additional space will allow us to reduce wait times, increase privacy, and create a calmer, more supportive environment for children who are walking through some of the hardest moments of their lives. Our hope is to have the renovation completed by the end of the year.

Every detail of this forever home has been planned with healing in mind. From the layout to the colors to the flow of the building, we want children to feel safe the moment they walk through the door. Families will have more room to breathe, staff will have the space needed to work efficiently and compassionately, and our team will be able to expand services as the community continues to grow. We are deeply grateful to Mitch for believing in our mission and helping make this next chapter possible.

Your support is an investment in hope, healing, and justice for the children of our community. With your help, we can continue to provide the highest level of care and ensure that no child faces their darkest moments alone.

With sincere gratitude,

Emily Hutcheson
Assistant Director
Butterfly Bridge CAC





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Butterfly Bridge Children's Advocacy Center is a place where courageous children who have experienced abuse find the strength, support, and hope needed to move forward.
We cannot change their past, but we can invest in their future. Together, with your support, we can Spread Our Wings and create a safe, welcoming space where hope is restored and healing begins for children in Autauga County.

Our Mission:

Butterfly Bridge Children's Advocacy center offers a safe, child-friendly environment to children victimized by abuse or neglect as we provide restoration and justice in their lives.

Our Vision

That every abused child will receive the services, advocacy, and support needed to move beyond the abuse to a life full of possibilities.



children

who walk through our doors deserve a safe, welcoming, and nurturing environment where they feel heard, valued, and supported. A place where they can ask questions, express their emotions, and find comfort and reassurance as they begin their journey toward hope and healing.

caregivers

deserve a welcoming, comfortable, and private space where they feel supported and can ask questions without fear of judgment. A place where they can find reassurance, build a strong support system, and gain the knowledge and resources needed to help their family move forward with hope and confidence.

our staff

members need quiet, private workspaces and a welcoming, comfortable environment designed to serve multiple children and caregivers at the same time.

our community

deserves a children's advocacy center equipped with the resources and expertise to prevent, identify, and respond to child abuse while providing hope and healing to those affected.

the mdt (multi-disciplinary team)

needs a dedicated space that encourages collaboration and strengthens our coordinated response, ensuring every child receives the care and support they deserve.

By transforming our new space, we can strengthen the coordinated response to child abuse and create an environment where children and families find comfort, support, and hope for the future.

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Our Current home



the beginning

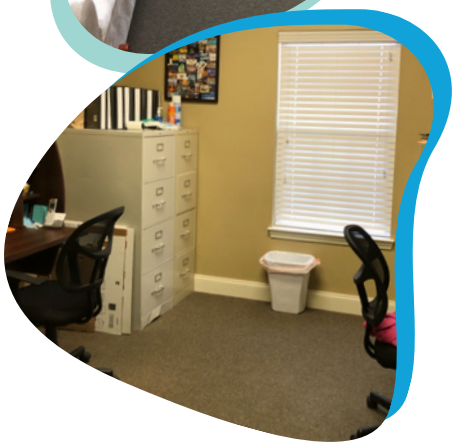
Since opening our Autauga County office in Prattville in 2017, Butterfly Bridge Children's Advocacy Center has provided a safe place for children who have experienced abuse to be heard, supported, and begin their journey toward healing.

From 2017 through 2025, 1,021 forensic interviews were conducted, giving children an opportunity to share their experiences in a safe, child-friendly environment.



now

As the need for our services continues to grow, we have outgrown our current space. While this location has served countless children and families, its limitations make it increasingly difficult to provide the privacy, comfort, and specialized care they deserve.

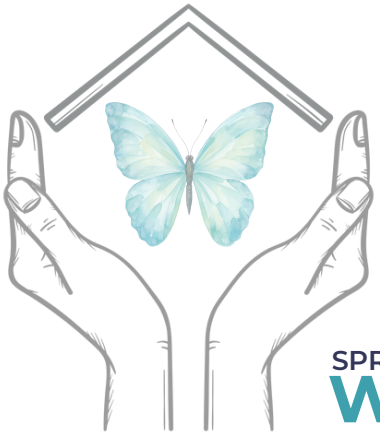


- Limited Space: Our current office lacks adequate space for staff and the growing demand for services, including specialized therapy for children and teens.
- Lack of Privacy: Without a separate forensic interview waiting area, children and caregivers may share space with others during an especially sensitive and vulnerable time.
- Growing Needs: As counseling and family advocacy services continue to increase, additional space is essential to ensure children and families receive the individualized care and attention they deserve.

2017 → 2025

1,021
forensic interviews

345%
increase
counseling services



We're not simply expanding our space. We're expanding our ability to provide hope, healing, and justice for children in Autauga County.

Our New home

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A NEW SPACE WILL PROVIDE:

Expanded Services & Care

Thoughtfully designed spaces to enhance forensic interviews, therapy, family advocacy, and other essential services for children and families.

Greater Privacy & Comfort

Separate waiting areas and private spaces that provide children and caregivers with comfort, dignity, and confidentiality during sensitive moments.

Room to Grow

Additional space for staff and resources to better meet the growing needs of children and families in Autauga County.

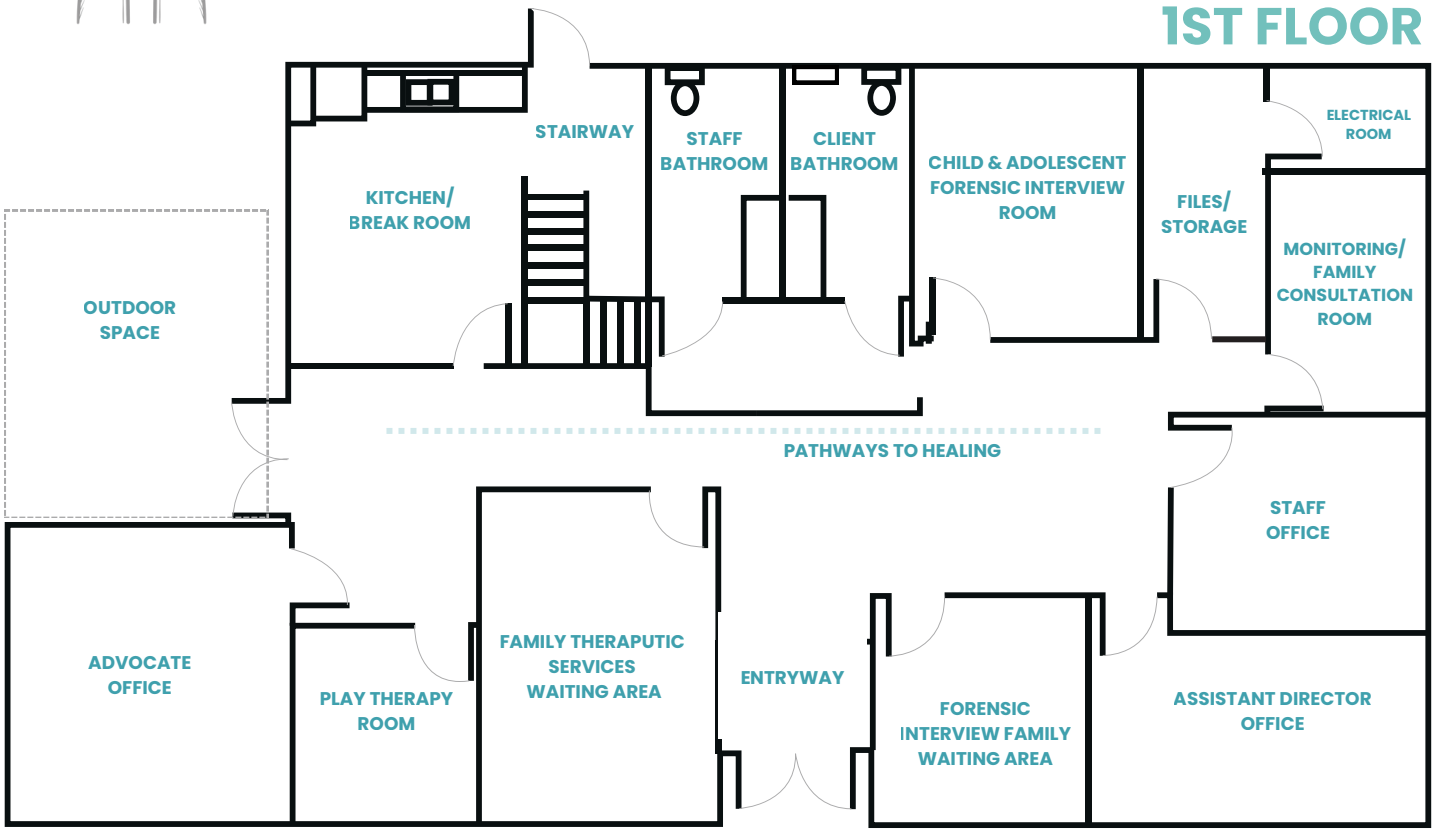
Stronger Collaboration & Education

Dedicated meeting and training spaces to strengthen multidisciplinary partnerships and community child abuse prevention efforts.

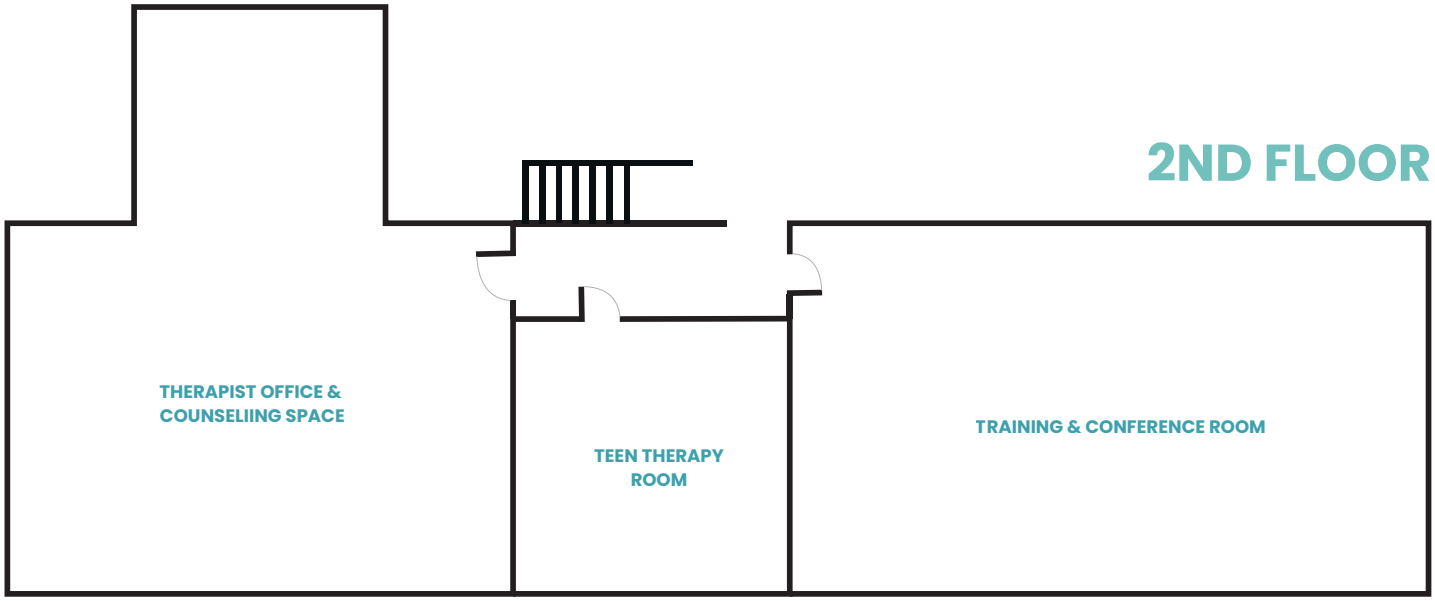
As we spread our wings, we expand our ability to serve.

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1ST FLOOR



2ND FLOOR



*see insert for approximate room costs



INVEST IN HOPE & HEALING

A financial contribution to the Capital Campaign is the most direct way to make an investment in the lives of the children we serve and secure the future of the children's advocacy center.
Your tax-deductible donation will help children throughout Autauga County start on a save path to recovery and healing.

naming opportunities

One of the best ways a company, foundation, group or family can contribute to the children's advocacy center capital campaign, is to sponsor a room at the new advocacy center through our TRANSFORM-A-ROOM initiative.

Each room sponsor will be honored with a prominently displayed recognition plaque outside the room, acknowledging their generous support and lasting impact.
(see insert with specific room pricing)

other options to give

$10,000 ADVOCATE
$5,000 DEFENDER
$2,500 ENCOURAGER
$1,500 BELIEVER
$1,000 SUPPORTER
$500 HELPER
OTHER AMOUNT: FRIEND OF A CHILD

donor recognition

All gifts over $1000 will be acknowledged prominently and permanently displayed in the foyer of the new Butterfly Bridge CAC center (unless anonymity is preferred).



FORENSIC INTERVIEW FAMILY WAITING AREA

“It is during our darkest moments that we most focus on the light.” -Aristotle

The forensic interview is typically the child and family’s first contact with the child advocacy center; therefore, it is important the family waiting area is pleasant and welcoming with a play area for younger children and comfortable seating for parents/non-offending caregivers. The forensic interview waiting area is also private and allows Butterfly Bridge CAC staff to be able to discuss sensitive information with the family at their first visit to the center.



The first visit can be stressful as typically this is the first step in the investigative process for the child and family. This private space allows for the Family Advocate to explain the process, support the parent/caregiver, offer additional resources and referrals, and answer questions while their child is being interviewed.

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CHILD & ADOLESCENT FORENSIC INTERVIEW ROOM

Justice for all children is the high ideal in a democracy
-Grace Abbott

The forensic interview is usually the first step in the process of a child abuse investigation. Specially trained staff members at Butterfly Bridge CAC conduct legally justifiable, fact-finding interviews with children and adolescents at the request of law enforcement and the Department of Human Resources.



The interview is designed to allow a child to disclose abuse if abuse has occurred. The space should be comfortably furnished and welcoming to children of all ages as well as equipped with technology that allows for memorializing the forensic interview. Recorded forensic interviews are many times part of the evidence if a case goes to trial.

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MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM MONITORING & CONSULTATION ROOM

The true character of a society is revealed in how it treats its children -Nelson Mandela



The child abuse multi-disciplinary team works together to minimize any further trauma to a child after a report of abuse is made. While a specially trained forensic interviewer on the Butterfly Bridge CAC staff conducts the interview, law enforcement and child protective service partners observe the forensic interview in real time from the adjoining monitoring room through closed circuit television monitoring.

After the forensic interview is conducted, the child abuse multi-disciplinary teammeets with the non-offending parent/caregiver in a private and confidential space to discuss the case and their next steps moving forward.

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This allows the team to hear the child's disclosure and address any investigative and protective concerns at one time. All forensic interviews are recorded, and law enforcement retains a copy which may eventually become part of the evidence in a case that goes through the criminal justice system.

The family consultation room is also utilized by the Butterfly Bridge CAC Family Advocate to provide on-going services and support for the families as the case moves forward in the criminal justice system.



FAMILY THERAPEUTIC SERVICES WAITING AREA

“Even the darkest night will end and the sun will rise.”

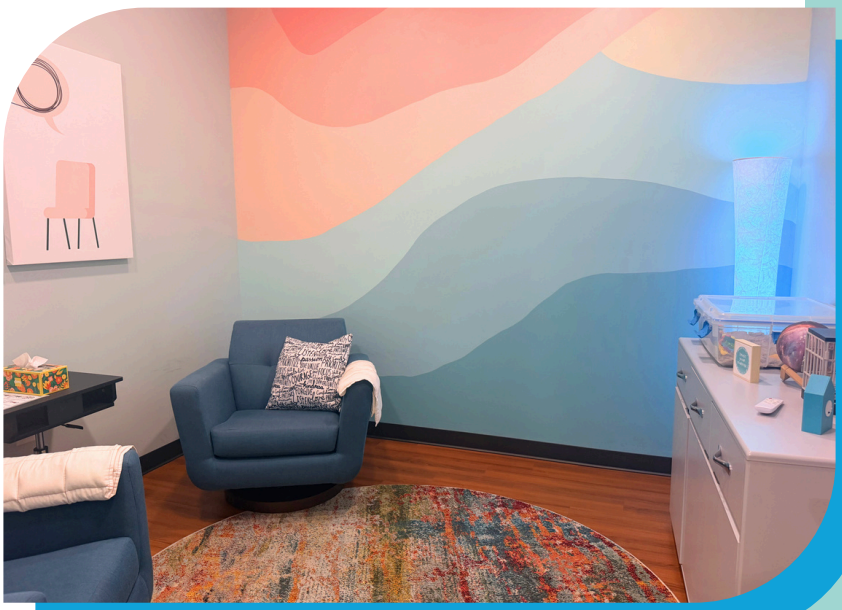
-Victor Hugo

Healing is possible and Butterfly Bridge CAC clients can go on to live alife full of possibilities that is no longer defined by the trauma of the abuse. The family waiting area for therapeutic services will be a separate space from the forensic interview waiting area for those clients returning for weekly therapy sessions.



This larger waiting area will provide comfort and adequate space for several children and their families while they are receiving the ongoing services that Butterfly Bridge CAC offers. The waiting area will have play areas with child-sized furniture and toys for younger clients and soft, comfortable seating for teen clients and parents/caregivers accompanying their child.

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TEEN THREAPY ROOM

We should all find a quiet place, a peaceful space, to bury the chaos and rest for a while.

-Christy Ann Martine

A carefully and thoughtfully designed therapeutic space is important for teen clients who come to Butterfly Bridge CAC. Room layout affects the teen's perceptions of psychological safety, intimacy, willingness to self-disclose, to build therapeutic rapport, and to feel a sense of agency in the space.



Natural light, color, soft furnishings, adjustable lighting, and privacy of space ensure that the teen has the best chance of healing from the trauma of abuse while seeing their Butterfly Bridge CAC therapist

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PLAY THREAPY ROOM

“Toys are children's words and play is their language.”

-Garry L. Landreth

Play Therapy is a form of psychotherapy that uses play to help children deal with emotional and mental health issues. By using play as the medium, children are able to explore their feelings and share them with the Butterfly Bridge CAC therapists.



Play therapy is responsive to the needs of children who have experienced trauma, such as child abuse. Play is a very natural way in which a child explores the world and find solutions to everyday problems. A special space, with thoughtful design and carefully selected toys and materials, is very important. Children can and do heal from the trauma of abuse.

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STAFF OFFICES

“The soul is healed by being with children.”
-Fyodor Dostoevsky

Providing trauma-informed care takes a lot of effort, creativity, and energy for the staff to ensure that optimal services are being provided to each and every child who comes to Butterfly Bridge CAC. In a new facility, each staff member will have their own, private office and no longer share office space with several other staff or interns.



A private office space will allow each staff member to work efficiently and privately as well as have a personally relaxing space to take a break from the heavy topic of child abuse and trauma.

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KITCHEN & STAFF BREAK AREA

“Take a break and give your soul what it needs.’
-Audrey Kitching

Forty-hour weeks working in the field of child abuse is rewarding and wonderful for our staff, but it can also be mentally taxing. A nice kitchen and break area is a must in the new facility to give staff a space to have lunch, take a break, and debrief with other staff after clients have been seen.



The kitchen can also be a therapeutic space for some children and adolescents who receive services at Butterfly Bridge CAC. Therapists will be able to utilize the kitchen with certain clients who find time in the kitchen relaxing and, simply, baking a cake can be the best way to build rapport with a child or adolescent just starting the therapy process

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TRAINING & CONFERENCE ROOM

"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it."

-Marian Wright Edelman

In addition to the core services of forensic interviews, therapy, and family advocacy services, Butterfly Bridge CAC also coordinates the child abuse multi-disciplinary team which is comprised of advocates, forensic interviewers, law enforcement, child protective services, the District Attorney's office, mental health professionals, and medical personnel. When everyone works together, it reduces any further trauma to the child during the investigation and also makes for a stronger case in court.



The conference and training room will allow for child abuse case review meetings with our stakeholders to take place on site as well as provide a top notch space with the most up-to-date technology available for community training on child abuse related topics so that we can all work together to prevent abuse from happening to the children in our community who are the most vulnerable.

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