

OPPORTUNITY, INC.



Opportunity, Inc. is dedicated to creating a community without homelessness, with children as our first priority. Children who have experienced homelessness

and great poverty are five times more likely than their peers to become homeless in the future. We can save generations from trauma, fear, and failure if we can help a few children now.

Opportunity Place is an emergency shelter serving families, providing 90 days of rent-free living and intensive case management leading to self-sufficiency. While parents are learning the tools necessary to gain and maintain employment, budget appropriately, and parent effectively, their children are given unique services to help them heal and flourish. Children's Services are designed to assist children with academic outcomes, physical fitness, emotional health and social stability, with the greatest emphasis on scholastics.

Perhaps the greatest benefit to our children is the gift of imagination – imagining a future free from want, where they can see themselves as capable adults leading fulfilling and productive lives. We use field trips, mentors, artists and craftsmen to open their eyes to careers as carpenters, scientists, teachers and health professionals. After only three years, we have seen young men and women selected as "student of the year," and offered scholarships to higher education.



CHAIRMAN & PRESIDENT'S LETTER

This past fiscal year was remarkably successful on many important levels. Our April 2012 auction weekend was by far the most successful in the history of our foundation, allowing us to increase our funds to our supported charities by 30% over last year, an increase of \$287,000. Because of the support of so many, we provided eleven charities even more resources to positively impact hundreds of children on the Emerald Coast.

In this report, you will not only see details of the financial performance of Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation, you will see the impact that these funds have had on each of the charities we support. There are many methods we use to evaluate our performance but clearly the measure that matters most is the impact our funding has on the lives of children who are counting on us. We hope you will agree after reading this annual report that we are truly living up to our mission of helping children in need.

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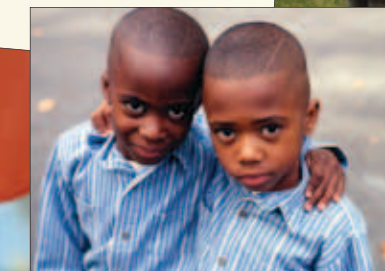
Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation is supported by a wide range of businesses and individuals who graciously and generously give freely to make our mission possible. We are humbled by the contributions of wine makers who give of their time and product, of chefs who leave their own kitchens and businesses to come here to feed us, of patron dinner hosts who open their homes to provide a world class wine and culinary experience for friends and strangers alike. We are grateful for the local businesses that provide funds, services, or products so that we can operate as efficiently as possible and ask that you remember their support when in need of their services. Let us not forget those that raise their paddles in spirited bidding at the auction; their generosity inspires us all to do more.

On behalf of Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation, our charitable recipients and the children who become empowered - thank you for your generous support in 2012.



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2012~ 2013 FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT



At Food For Thought, our mission is to enable children to focus on their development and education by removing the fear and insecurity that comes from not knowing if they will get enough to eat, and, in some cases, knowing that they will not.

Many children suffer from what the USDA officially refers to as "Food Insecurity", which means they regularly go hungry because their families do not have enough money to buy food. Public schools receive government assistance to provide breakfast and lunch for these children on school days, but when school is out on the weekends, the children must fend for themselves, or they make do with one or two low-cost foods because their families cannot afford to provide balanced meals.

This is where we begin.

By providing these children with a simple backpack filled with healthy, easy-to-prepare food on these two days, we bridge the weekend gap. By providing fresh fruit, whole grains and protein we are supporting their physical development and empowering them to grow into productive students and healthy, happy children.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE EMERALD COAST



Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast (BGCEC)
Mission:

To inspire and empower all young people and their families, in partnership with our community to achieve their potential to Be Great.

The BGCEC focuses on three areas of youth development, education, character, and health. Staff actively engage youth to ensure they are being pushed to become better academically, have strong character, and seek healthy living. The five key elements used to ensure members are reaching our three intended outcomes are:

~ A Safe, Positive Environment: The Club is a safe haven where members feel physically and emotionally secure at all times.

~ Fun: The Club facility, staff and program offerings create a welcoming, positive environment that allows members to engage in play, enjoy their playtime and be happy and eager to come to the Club.

~ Supportive Relationships: The Club ensures that every young person feels connected to one or more adults and has friendships with peers.

~ Opportunities and Expectations: Club staff and programs consistently communicate the expectation that every child has the potential to excel, be productive and succeed at the Club and in life.

~ Recognition: The Club takes every opportunity to recognize and validate Club members' achievements and accomplishments.

The BGCEC has served the gulf coast for 45 years. Doors opened in 1968 with a membership of 15 children in Okaloosa County, and today the BGCEC serves over 700 children in 8 Clubs across 3 counties: Escambia, Okaloosa, and Walton.



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Nyasha Arrington of Wilshire Restaurant in Santa Monica, California prepares for her culinary "performance" at one of DCWAF's 2012 Patron Dinners.



NEW BENEFICIARY CHARITIES FOR 2013

WELCOME!

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE EMERALD COAST

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

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YOUTH VILLAGE



This is the story of 3 little sisters. The story began in mid March 2012 when an 8 year old little girl had an asthma attack on the school bus that stops in front of Youth Village to let off several students, not including the little girl, who was not enrolled in our program. I took the child some water, she used her inhaler and the bus driver and I got her quieted down so that she could proceed to take her home. About one week later, the little girl had a second attack on the way home...right outside our door again. She was VERY upset and asked us to call her father. Her 9 year old sister, who was also on the bus, gave us his number at Eglin AFB, but we couldn't get through. The attack was so bad that the Liza Jackson Preparatory School bus driver had to call 911 and the fire department and ambulance came and took her to the hospital, along with her older sister.

The next day I asked the bus driver if the little girl was ok and she said yes. About 2 weeks later on Monday April 2, 2012 in the Local and State Section of the NWF Daily News, I read an article with an attached picture entitled "Trying to Hang On" about a father and his 5 children...2 boys ages 15 and 18 and 3 girls ages 5, 8 and 9. The article stated that their 38 year old

mother had suffered from asthma, sleep apnea and osteoporosis and had died during the night about 3 ½ months earlier.



The article went on to state that the family was suffering many hardships: money, lack of insurance, etc. and needed help from the community. I took a good look at the photo and recognized the 2 older girls from the asthma incident!

The following day I wrote a letter to the father asking him to see me

for assistance with the children. I asked the bus driver to give the letter to the children to pass on to the father and two days later the father came to see me and relayed his sad story first-hand. Like her mother, his eight year-old daughter Amanda also has asthma. He also said that his father-in-law had also recently passed away from a heart attack, just 2 weeks earlier than his wife.

Now, three young sisters, seen in the above photo; Khameela (5), Amanda (8) and Gabriella (9) are on full year-round scholarships at Youth Village, thanks to The Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation and their generous donation that provides scholarships to low-income and at-risk children.

2012 DESTIN CHARITY WINE AUCTION VINTNERS

WINERY & VINTNERS

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2012 CHARITY DISTRIBUTIONS

CHILDREN IN CRISIS ~ \$149,000

With dollars received from DCWAF, Children in Crisis served 100 children and young people in foster care and via their new transitional housing - dedicated for semi-independent living of young adults who face the life-changes that occur when they "age out" of the foster care system.

CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEER HEALTH NETWORK ~ \$179,000

CVHN cleaned and repaired the teeth of more than 1200 low-income Walton County elementary-aged children using funds raised by DCWAF. Aboard the *Just for Grins Mobile Dental Clinic*, children receive life-altering oral treatment and education that has been recognized as saving them from pain and diseases that can influence whole-body health, and self-image.

EMERALD COAST AUTISM CENTER ~ \$100,000

Providing a safe place for children living with the difficulties of Autism, and engaging them in schooling, activities and love, the professionals at ECAC dedicated the money they received from DCWAF to providing 40 full program scholarships to children whose families are unable to afford the high cost of care, therapy and education specially designed to meet the needs of those with autism.

EMERALD COAST CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER ~ \$130,000

Fighting for children who have suffered the life-altering effects of sexual and physical abuse and severe neglect, ECCAC used funding raised through this year's Auction to serve 640 abused children. These children receive therapy, guidance and protection from future abuse.

FISHER HOUSE OF THE EMERALD COAST ~ \$10,000

Fisher House represents DCWAF's respect and appreciation for our military and their families. Dollars donated to Fisher House provided 50 children with a "home away from home" while a parent or other loved one - all members of the US Armed Forces - was treated or recovering from injury or sickness. Fisher House allows children to be close to their family member, often after they have been without them for extended periods.

HORIZONS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY ~ \$136,000

Because of funding from DCWAF, Horizons was able to serve the needs of 180 children with developmental or physical disabilities by improving existing spaces and building new state-of-the-art areas for these children to thrive, learn and build meaningful lives.

PATHWAYS FOR CHANGE ~ \$120,000

PFC provided scholarships to 51 young men suffering from addiction using funds raised through the Destin Charity Wine Auction Paddle Raise. With an overwhelming success rate of 82%, these scholarship recipients receive treatment, counseling and go on to lead healthy, happy and productive lives.

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL ~ \$200,000

Lives of more than 600 children were touched by the pediatric programs of Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast through funds donated by Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation. From additional beds for the very sick children of our area, to educational programming and the work of a Pediatric Navigator who assists families and children at SHH in resource collaboration and wellness.

SHELTER HOUSE OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA



This year you changed the life of a 14-month-old boy, Charlie*, and his mom, Elise*. When they came into shelter, Charlie had witnessed things that no one should

ever have to see. During his young life, he saw his mom raped repeatedly by his dad. He saw his dad push, shove and hit his mom. When Charlie and Elise came into our shelter, they were both disoriented and devastated. He would reach out for his mom but then hit her or push her away when she picked him up because that was how he had learned to express love. Elise was scared that her little boy wouldn't ever want to be kissed and held like a child should. Our advocates put Elise in touch with our child therapist and that is when the healing began.

The child therapist talked to Elise about how to show Charlie what healthy relationships look like - how to accept a hug, hold hands, play nicely and express anger appropriately. Elise showed that she was invested in healing together with her son, and the transformation was miraculous. By using their time safe in the shelter to reinforce Charlie's positive emotional, physical and verbal behaviors, mother and son made tremendous progress and bonded. Elise also worked with our advocates on her healing. She talked for hours about the pain, disappointment and horrors she still felt and often dreamed about. Our advocates listened to her and helped her process what happened and together worked on a plan to deal with what she was facing emotionally and physically. Elise took the time she spent with us to focus 100 percent of her efforts on healing herself and Charlie.

Without you in their lives Charlie and Elise wouldn't have been given this opportunity to be safe and heal. Because of you there is a little boy who now runs into his momma's open arms and gives her a kiss.



SACRED HEART HOSPITAL ON THE EMERALD COAST

When Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast opened in 2003, the first patient treated was a 6-year-old girl. As the healthcare safety net for children in need across the region, each year the hospital treats more than 12,000 pediatric patients. Currently, 27% of children in Walton County and 20% of children in Okaloosa County live below the federal poverty level. In an effort to reach the underserved population, Sacred Heart has a dedicated Pediatric Navigator who acts as an advocate for children and families in need. The Pediatric Navigator works to end the episodic care children receive in the ER by helping families navigate the system and connect with local, state and federal resources.



In 2007 the hospital opened the Family Birth Place, a unique labor and delivery unit dedicated to providing a high quality childbirth experience in an environment that fosters family unity and emphasizes education to support families through pregnancy and early parenthood. Since opening, nearly 4,000 babies have been delivered.

In this next chapter, the hospital will embark on a new journey to expand Children's Services to support the growing pediatric population in South Walton. This expansion will include inpatient rooms designed to care for children, an additional pediatric specialty clinic, expanded community outreach education offerings, and telemedicine to connect patients with higher-level services outside the area. As the hospital approaches its 10 year anniversary in 2013, one thing remains constant; Sacred Heart will continue to fulfill its mission to serve all persons, with special attention to those who are poor and vulnerable.



2012 CHARITY DISTRIBUTIONS

SHELTER HOUSE OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA ~ \$65,000

Domestic Violence contributes to the destruction of children's lives everyday. Shelter House used funds donated by DCWAF to provide temporary housing, therapy, and/or educational outreach to 475 children. They provided 7348 nights of safety to children escaping the cycle of domestic violence.

WALTON COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ~ \$63,000

Our local HFH affiliate continues to change the lives of 41 children in the community who received new homes during the fiscal year, or continue to thrive in homes built by Habitat for Humanity - in which the family benefits from a zero-interest mortgage. DCWAF supported the building of several new homes during the 2011-12 year and supported HFH's continued support of the Fund for Humanity.

YOUTH VILLAGE ~ \$68,000

The children of Youth Village receive tutoring, mentoring and a safe environment during out-of-school hours. During the 2012 fiscal year, DCWAF was Youth Village's largest source of funding. Each of the 95 children who used the services of Youth Village during the 2012 fiscal year would likely have been without proper supervision or after-school and summer instruction without the agency's ability to operate.

CHARITY DISTRIBUTION GROWTH 2006-2012



DESTIN CHARITY WINE AUCTION
WINE PARTY 2012
 CAMPAIGN FOR KIDS
 ★ APRIL 27-28 ★



Number of Live Auction Lots: 56
 Number of Silent Auction Lots: 87
 Total Live Auction Bids: \$921,726
 Total Silent Auction Bids: \$92,511
 Total Paddle-Raise: \$156,250



2012 AUCTION BY THE NUMBERS

Patron Dinners and Auction Ticket Revenue: \$477,150

Top Live Auction Lot: \$40,000

NET DONATED TO BENEFICIARY CHARITIES
\$1,220,000



PATHWAYS FOR CHANGE



Pathways For Change is committed to our clients and our community. Human transformation is our business; Pathways for Change saves people from the destructive lifestyle too often perpetuated by poverty, abuse of alcohol and other drugs, and lack of education.

Pathways For Change reduces crime on many fronts. We reduce recidivism at a rate of 80 percent, meaning the vast majority of our clients do not go out and commit new crimes. We help young people and families know that they have a future as law-abiding citizens. They do not need to hang with the gang, give up hope or dreams, or settle for a life that is not what God has intended for them.

Pathways For Change builds futures for children by providing a summer camp and an after-school program for middle-school boys and girls. We build futures for families by showing them how to live free of drugs and crime. We build futures of the elderly residents who live right next door to the Family Center; they now have meaningful work to do -- volunteering as tutors, mentors, instructors, childcare sitters, librarians, office coordinators. We are reviving a neighborhood, called "homeless town," working with each other to save lives, increase safety and build futures.

HORIZONS

With the dollars we received from Destin Charity Wine Auction we could not wait to replace our antiquated playground equipment. We had Little Tikes climbing equipment that was purchased in 1995 and had a life expectancy of 10 years. This equipment was on our preschool playground and two year old playground. It was very faded and we continually had to check for safety issues.



As we were making our decisions about ordering equipment, we wanted to upgrade all of the playgrounds including the one year old playground which had a small slide that children had fallen off of. We only had baby swings on the one year old playgrounds but children could not access these by themselves. We decided that putting Astroturf over the sand would assist the one year olds to move about better on their playground and parents would be happier with less sand on their child. We added a large wooden slide that was age appropriate with two climbing features. In this class we have triplets that attend through our Enrichment Program. They have developmental delays and only one of them has starting walking even though they are one and half years old. With the upgrades we made to the playground, all three can access the slide through different climbing activities and because of the turf, they can do it without being covered in sand. We added balls, sand box, and a small playhouse for their enjoyment. Their interaction with the other children has improved due to learning cooperation with the other children. The equipment makes it easy for them to explore and interact with the other children who are more mobile.



On our two year old playground we added four tire swings, four trike seats that are attached together and ride on a circular path, and a large sliding/climbing piece of equipment. The two's did not have swings at all in their playground and now they can swing together or individually. They can access the two slides through working their way up two different climbers attached to the slides. The preschool children received a large climbing, sliding piece of equipment along with new swings. The four children that attend that have special needs have learned to climb the rock wall to get up to the slides and laugh as they experience the duel slides as they race another child down them. It has helped them experience team work as they climb the tower to walk across the bridge to access the duel slides. Due to the new swings moving easier, we have more children able to swing without assistance.



2011~2012 BENEFICIARY CHARITIES

DESTIN CHARITY WINE AUCTION FOUNDATION CONNECTS WINE ENTHUSIASTS TO RAISE MONEY TO BENEFIT CHILDREN IN NEED. DURING 2011-2012, DCWAF WAS HONORED TO HOLD ITS EVENTS IN ORDER TO GENERATE FUNDING FOR 11 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TO CHANGE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN NORTHWEST FLORIDA. MANY OF THESE CHILDREN FACE LIFE-ALTERING ILLNESS OR ABUSE. DCWAF'S BENEFICIARY CHARITIES HAVE TOUCHED MORE THAN 42,000 YOUNG PEOPLE SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2006.

DURING 2012-2013, EACH OF THESE CHARITIES WILL RETURN AS BENEFICIARIES. IN ADDITION, DCWAF WELCOMES THREE NEW ORGANIZATIONS - A TOTAL OF 14. THE LARGEST NUMBER OF AGENCIES EVER SUPPORTED BY THE FOUNDATION.

THE FOLLOWING PAGES CELEBRATE OUR BENEFICIARY CHARITIES - IN THEIR OWN WORDS.

CHILDREN IN CRISIS

Within a span of about six months, an intact family of five became shattered: Dad lost his job, the family lost their home, they lived in their car, then the car was repossessed. Mom's parents allowed her and their grandchildren to stay with them but would not allow their son-in-law to move in. The stress on this family escalated. Continued poverty and the separation from each other created extreme burdens and left the couple fighting. Domestic violence followed, and the children were removed from the mother's care. The journey with Children in Crisis began. Right away, as their stories tumbled forth through their tears, our Shelter staff realized that although this family had been through so much, the family bond was still strong. Yet, there were more tragedies to come. Not long after they arrived at The Children's Neighborhood, we learned their father had died in his sleep, perhaps due to the overwhelming stress, or simply a broken heart. Our agency and community rallied around a very sad trio of siblings.



As if this news wasn't hard enough, there was still more. After finding her husband dead, their mother was never the same. Although given time for grieving, counseling, and other services, she was unable to pull herself together and bring her children home. Eventually, the children moved into Sue Sue's Cottage, our long-term family foster home. Each one thrived! The oldest, three years behind in school upon arriving, received much-needed tutoring and completed enough scholastic work to pass two grades in one year and get back on track. The middle child received surgery for an earlier diagnosis of Strabismus. Now in 3rd grade, he was constantly made fun of due to his crossed-eyes. His inability to see was hampering his learning. Most of all, his self-esteem suffered. He had wanted the corrective surgery as long as he could remember. It was our joy to arrange the surgery and therapy he needed. Afterwards, he exclaimed, "Thank you for making my eyeballs straight. This is the best from the step into the



Christmas present I have ever gotten," and then jumped doctor's arms and gave him a huge hug. Best of all, we reconnected them with other relatives as we sought a permanent home for them. The children knew every step of the way that Children in Crisis would remain their home until a wonderful permanent home was ready. United with a paternal aunt in late 2011, we still remain in touch through Facebook, cards, and phone calls. All three are doing great in school! The oldest plays football at his middle school. Our middle young man is just that! Nearly as tall as his brother, he is a loving and kind gentleman. Our baby girl is blossoming into a gorgeous young woman and thrives under her aunt's tender care. Without the Destin Charity Wine Auction Foundation, stories like this would not be possible.

YOU make this possible! It truly takes many people to provide all of the wrap-around services to keep families together. These children have a loving home, caring staff, all basic needs met, and many, many wants fulfilled. Funding from DCWAF allows us to go far beyond the basics and provide children and families with the necessary emotional, physical, educational, medical, and therapeutic skills they need to thrive. You are indeed forever changing the life of every child we serve. Better still, you are changing the trajectory for our children's children. Generations will be forever changed because of you.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF WALTON COUNTY



Habitat for Humanity of Walton County, Florida is a 501(c)(3) Christian non-profit that builds and rehabilitates simple, decent houses with the help of our partner families and the community.

Our ministry provides housing opportunities through a helping hand approach and not a hand out. Each partner family commits 250 hours per adult of sweat equity to assist with construction of their home, improvement/education classes, and assisting with Habitat's program activities. The partner family then purchases the completed home with an interest free loan based upon the cost of the completed home with payments calculated according to family income. Each partner family's mortgage payments will, in turn, contribute to new homes for other families in the future. In addition to partnering in the construction or renovation of decent housing, Habitat operates the Habitat for Humanity ReStore. The Habitat ReStore accepts donations of new and gently used building materials and household furnishings. The ReStore sells these goods at a fraction of their retail price and serves as a resource for our local families with its low cost furnishings, appliances, and builds items. Our ReStore allows us to touch even more families and their children in our area.



Habitat is more than just about housing the needy. It's an investment in our community's future. Together we can make a difference to the lives of the children in the community in which we live and, with simple decent housing, change lives forever.



FISHER HOUSE OF THE EMERALD COAST

The Fisher House of the Emerald Coast, Inc (FHEC) provides a home for military families when someone in their family is undergoing medical treatment at a local facility. Military members are stationed worldwide, and sometimes have to travel great distances for specialized medical treatment. FHEC is there for these families during a stressful period in their life and allows them to stay together and provide a support system for the healing process.



FHEC has twelve bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom, and several commons areas just like a normal home. You may walk in and see the Chaplin visiting with a family in the living room that is preparing to say goodbye to their mother, wife, sister or grandma. Or you could smell the fabulous aroma coming from the kitchen as one family shares their Cajun cooking skills with newlyweds while he recovers from injuries received during Ranger training. The family room is always with hopping with children celebrating a birthday, having balloon sword fights, or just watching a movie together.

Not only does the FHEC provide a home to keep families together, it provides a support system for the families as they lean on each other to get through whatever crisis they are dealing with. It is available to anyone with a family member that has served for any length of time in any branch of the military. There is never a charge for families to stay at the House, no matter the length of their stay.



CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEER HEALTH NETWORK



A single father of four young girls could see the pain his girls were experiencing and wanted to do everything he could for them. After taking them to a local dentist office, he learned that the treatments the four girls required would cost over \$4,000. This was far beyond affordable for the family. The dentist told the family about CVHN.

Over a two week period, the four girls were each provided the treatments they needed by the CVHN Dental Clinic. The procedures included 20 fillings along with other restorative and preventive care. All of this was done without any costs being passed on to the family. The father left the CVHN office in tears. He knew his daughters would no longer be in pain and he was so thankful CVHN exists in his community.



Thank you DCWAF for supporting the CVHN Dental Clinic, the Mobile Dental Clinic and believing in our mission!



EMERALD COAST AUTISM CENTER

Autism affects 1 in 88 children in the US today, and early intervention is the key to helping these children reach their potential. Children with autism can learn, but they learn differently. Emerald Coast Autism Center (ECAC) was founded in 2009 to fill a growing need on the Emerald Coast for an educational and therapeutic resource for children with autism. As a non-profit school, ECAC's mission is to improve the lives of young children with autism and their families by providing effective treatment and education options during the critical early education years and beyond.



ECAC is unique in its approach to teaching these amazing children, focusing on individualized therapy with a one-to-one student-to-teacher ratio. All instruction and activities at ECAC are conducted in a manner consistent with the science of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), currently the only proven intervention for children with autism. Honoring ECAC's motto – reaching kids, supporting families – ECAC also provides Speech and Occupational Therapy onsite to help families obtain additional services for their children without added scheduling and travel. Furthermore, ECAC strives to help children get the services they need through the establishment of the ECAC Scholarship Fund, a fund dedicated to providing tuition assistance for families with a bona fide financial need.



EMERALD COAST CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER



The Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center saves and heals child abuse victims in Okaloosa and Walton Counties. In 2011, we helped save and heal 698 local children. All were confirmed cases of child sexual abuse, child physical abuse, drug-endangered children and children of severe neglect. Children receiving services at the Center are able to come to one child-friendly facility for all of the services related to their case. It is in our building that they meet with our agency partners and others working their case. We conduct necessary medical exams and

forensic interviews. Each child leaves with a fresh-baked cookie and a juice box. We also help provide clothing, diapers, school supplies, food, and other items that our families need. Most importantly, through counseling we try to give them back their childhood. Our counseling is at no cost to the families we serve. Our four full time licensed mental health therapists use cognitive behavior- trauma focused therapy methods to heal our families. These methods established by Duke University have a 94% success rate.

By taking a holistic approach to healing the family we are able to take care of the child victim and



their non-offending family members. By providing our kids with a positive therapy experience, they are more likely to continue with therapy into adulthood as needed. The Destin Charity Wine Auction has donated \$335,000 to support our mental health programs and other services provided at the Center to over 1,564 children in the past 3 years.