



# CARE HOUSE OF OAKLAND COUNTY 2021

## Dear Friends,

You've heard the phrase knowledge is power countless times before. At CARE House, it rings true more than ever. The immediate flood of reports that came in as this past school year began shows us the power of being educated about how to recognize and report suspected child abuse.

Child sexual abuse and physical abuse and neglect are topics no one wants to talk about. It's uncomfortable. It draws attention to how vulnerable we are as parents, caregivers, and communities. But it's necessary, and it's critical for us to embrace the knowledge of how to prevent it, how to report effectively and accurately when it happens, and how to provide children with the opportunity to heal from the abuse.

Imagine if we talked openly.

**Imagine** how we could impact the safety of the children we care about.

**Imagine** the creation of responsible, proactive communities where there is no place for a perpetrator to access children.

With your support, CARE House strives to change the imagining into a reality.

The past year posed challenges and presented opportunities for all of us, including CARE House. As children returned to school in person and resumed regular extracurricular activities, we saw a 30% increase in the reports of child abuse. More children than ever are coming through the door at CARE House, seeking our vital services. The need for our programs and services is changing and we are rising to the challenge. Our clients are coming to us with complex cases and the need for more personalized, specialized care.

We are proud to have expanded programming – welcoming the Canine Advocacy Program to our extensive support system for child victims of abuse and those navigating the criminal justice system. There are 32 actively working Canine Advocates at prosecutors' offices and child advocacy centers across the state. And CARE House has our own resident Canine Advocate, Harper!

We stepped up to serve additional families in 2021, and we are excited to announce our new home visiting program which will start this summer. Because of you, we continue to equip ourselves with the knowledge to provide families with their own power to heal.

We stand ready to help the children who need us most and we rely on you to be ambassadors for our vision to impact the safety of every child in Oakland County.

We hope this impact report inspires you to spread the word to family, friends, colleagues, and neighbors about CARE House and our vision. Thank you for believing it shouldn't hurt to be a child.

Warmest Regards,



Blythe Tyler President and CEO



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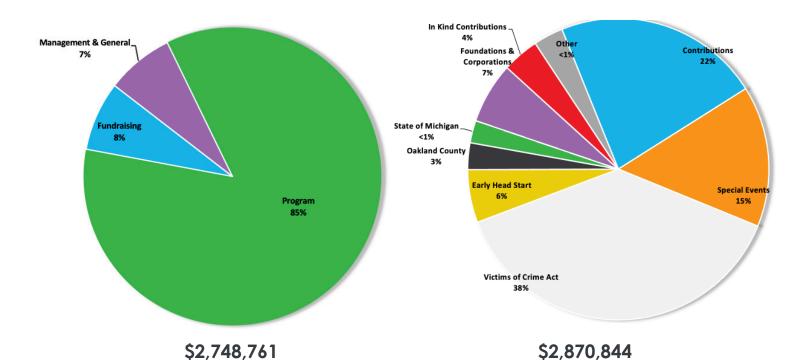
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Each episode takes you inside our work like never before. You will hear our mission in action with personal stories from abuse survivors, parents and experts. It's available on every major podcast platform. This podcast allows you to have the best understanding yet of CARE House's work in our community. To listen, scan the QR Code and a link to all six episodes will appear.





carehouse.org/podcast

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**Volunteer Opportunities:** Carehouse.org/volunteer



We recently welcomed the Canine Advocacy Program (CAP) into the CARE House fold.

CAP was founded in 2010 and is the first program of its kind in Michigan. This program supports children through the criminal justice system by providing the comfort and support of Canine Advocates. We have 32 dogs helping children all over the state of Michigan. We're even lucky enough to have our own Canine Advocacy Pup, Harper (pictured), on location at CARE House!

Find out more about the CAP program: capmich.org