

Child Justice

Annual Report 2015

Program Accomplishments

Child Justice was established as a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization in April 2013 to protect and support children who have suffered physical or sexual abuse at the hands of a parent, primarily by providing pro bono legal services for the child and the protective parent. In 2015, Child Justice:

- **Received 28 intake forms** from referred prospective clients;
- **Accepted 24 new cases**, including 9 appeals;
- **Pursued 56 active cases**, including 12 appeals;
- **Utilized 26 legal teams** that provided pro bono legal services to our clients;
- **Protected 66 children**; and
- **Resolved 8 cases** successfully.

Mission

To protect and advocate for children who have been abused or witnessed domestic violence, to support them and their protective parents, and to promote change through community outreach, education and policy recommendations.

Child Justice provided these additional services in 2015:

- **152 Consults.** In addition to the cases in which we were actively involved, we consulted with staff or clients of 152 other cases, providing expert advice and support. This is almost 5 times as many consults as the 32 we did in 2014!
- **23 Court Watches** involving 38 days in court. Our presence in court helps clients and their attorneys feel supported. In addition, the judge is aware of being observed by a knowledgeable professional who is taking notes. We also debrief afterwards with attorneys who value this opportunity because of the years of experience of our Executive Director and board.
- **12 Briefs.** Child Justice coordinated or joined 12 Amicus Curiae efforts in appellate court to support abused children and their protective parents. This is 7 more than in 2014.

Why Child Justice? Because protecting abused children offers them not only immediate safety, but also a chance to reclaim their lives and be healthy, happy, productive members of society. Heartwarming victories underscore how important our work is—even if success sometimes takes years. Our founder, Executive Director Eileen King, has worked with abused children since 1995.

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Enormous Need

Each year, family courts sentence 58,000 children to live with abusive, negligent or predatory parents.

A childhood scarred by trauma often means a future marked by depression, risky behavior and continued victimization.

Financial Information

year ending 12/31/2015

Income

Contributions & Grants* 132,415
Total \$132,415

Expenses

Program (90%) 76,683
Administrative (7.5%) 6,390
Fundraising (2.5%) 2,130
Total \$85,203

Assets

Assets at start of year 13,310
Assets at end of Year 58,810
Increase in assets \$45,810



PROTECTING CHILDREN, PROVIDING SUPPORT, PROMOTING CHANGE

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