

# Child Advocacy Center -- Anderson and Cherokee Counties

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<b>Executive Director:</b>	Donald Hammock
<b>Mission Statement:</b>	The mission of The Child Advocacy Center of Anderson and Cherokee Counties is to ensure that a multi-disciplinary team act in partnership to deliver comprehensive services to meet the needs of child victims of sexual and serious physical abuse and their family members. To enable the child and the child's non-offending family members to return to a sense of safety, trust, and control through appropriate therapeutic treatment. To reduce the number of interviews required of a child abuse victim in order to minimize the negative impact of the investigation. To facilitate investigation and prosecution of those individuals who perpetrate these crimes against the children of Anderson and Cherokee counties
<b>Operational Since:</b>	1997
<b>Annual CAC Budget:</b>	\$100,000 - 149,999
<b>Service Area:</b>	Multi-county
<b>County(ies) Served:</b>	Anderson, Cherokee
<b>Community Characteristics:</b>	Rural
<b>CAC Model:</b>	Umbrella Agency
<b>Case Criteria:</b>	Sexual Abuse Physical Abuse Child Fatality Sexual and Physical Abuse
<b>Ages of Children Served:</b>	0 to 18
<b>Average Number of Children Receiving First Time Core CAC Services Each Month:</b>	15
<b>Interagency Partners:</b>	Alto Police Department Anderson County District Attorney's Office Anderson County Sheriff's Department CASA for Kids of East Texas CASA of Trinity Valley Cherokee County District Attorney's Office Cherokee County Sheriff's Department Cuney Police Department East Texas Medical Center Frankston Police Department Jacksonville ISD Campus Police Jacksonville Police Department Palestine Police Department Palestine Regional Hospital Rusk Police Department Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Texas Rangers, Company F Trinity Mother Frances Hospital Wells Police Department
<b>Interagency Partners Housed On Site:</b>	No
<b>Core Program Components/Services:</b>	Cases Reviewed by MDT Forensic Interviews Off Site Sexual Assault Exams On Site Mental Health Services Volunteer Program
<b>Additional Services Provided:</b>	Assistance With Completion Of CVC Application Court Accompaniment Court School/Trial Preparation Information Regarding Client's Case, Services Available, Criminal/Civil Justice System Referral for and/or Coordination of Other Social/Family Services Courtesy Interviews/Services Protective Orders Training for Partner Agencies and Community

<b>Center Staff Positions and Time Staffed:</b>	Executive Director (fte) CAC Coordinator (fte) Therapists (2 pte) Receptionist (fte) Caseworker (pte) Education Specialist (pte) Administrative Assistance (pte) Legal Advocate (pte)
<b>Facility Information:</b>	Square footage: 1,400. A child-friendly, child-oriented facility with waiting room, play therapy room, video interview room, control room, various offices and meeting rooms, child-sized and handicapped-accessible facilities
<b>Funding Sources:</b>	NCA United Way Individual Donors Churches Civic Organizations