

# Children's Advocacy Center of the Big Bend

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<b>Executive Director:</b>	Shanna Spence Sullivan ( <a href="mailto:cacbb@sbcglobal.net">cacbb@sbcglobal.net</a> )
<b>Mission Statement:</b>	The mission of the Children's Advocacy Center of the Big Bend, Inc., is to reduce the trauma of children who are victims of sexual abuse and/or serious physical abuse in Brewster, Jeff Davis, Presidio, and Terrell Counties and to increase the likelihood of convicting the perpetrator through the cooperation of law enforcement, child protective services, prosecution, mental health, and medical personnel.
<b>Operational Since:</b>	2000
<b>Annual CAC Budget:</b>	\$150,000 - 199,999
<b>Service Area:</b>	Multi-county
<b>County(ies) Served:</b>	Brewster, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Terrell
<b>Community Characteristics:</b>	Rural
<b>CAC Model:</b>	Independent
<b>Case Criteria:</b>	Sexual Abuse Physical Abuse Neglect Child Fatality Child Witness Sexual and Physical Abuse
<b>Ages of Children Served:</b>	0 to 17
<b>Average Number of Children Receiving First Time Core CAC Services Each Month:</b>	7
<b>Interagency Partners:</b>	63rd District Attorney 83rd District Attorney Alpine Police Big Bend Regional Medical Center Brewster County Attorney Brewster County Sheriff's Office Department of Public Safety Presidio ISD Family Crisis Center of the Big Bend Frontier CASA Jeff Davis County Attorney Jeff Davis County Sheriff's Office Marfa Police Department Presidio County Attorney Presidio County Sheriff's Office Presidio Police Department ISD SANE Sul Ross State University Police Department Terrell County Attorney Terrell County Sheriff's Office Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
<b>Interagency Partners Housed On Site:</b>	No
<b>Core Program Components/Services:</b>	Cases Reviewed by MDT Forensic Interviews Off Site Mental Health Services Off Site Sexual Assault Exams On Site Mental Health Services Volunteer Program
<b>Additional Services Provided:</b>	Assistance With Completion Of CVC Application Child Fatality Review Team Court School/Trial Preparation Information Regarding Client's Case, Services Available, Criminal/Civil Justice System Medical/Hospital Accompaniment Rainbow Room-type Services Referral for and/or Coordination of Other Social/Family Services Community Education Non-Offending Caregiver Services

<b>Center Staff Positions and Time Staffed:</b>	Executive Director (fte) Forensic Interviewer (contract) Administrative Assistant (fte)
<b>Facility Information:</b>	Square footage: 2,500. The Children's Advocacy Center of the Big Bend is centrally located in Alpine. The Center provides private parking and a super child friendly environment.
<b>Funding Sources:</b>	City Government County Government Foundations Special Events VOCA Civic Organizations Individual Donors