

# Garth House/Mickey Mehaffy Children's Advocacy Program, Inc.

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<b>Mission Statement:</b>	The Garth House-Mickey Mehaffy Children's Advocacy Program's mission is to lessen the trauma to child victims of severe physical and sexual abuse during the investigative, prosecutorial and healing processes.
<b>Operational Since:</b>	1991
<b>Annual CAC Budget:</b>	\$500,000 - 999,999
<b>Service Area:</b>	Multi-county
<b>County(ies) Served:</b>	Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Newton, Orange, Tyler
<b>Community Characteristics:</b>	Mixed
<b>CAC Model:</b>	Independent
<b>Case Criteria:</b>	Sexual Abuse Physical Abuse Sexual and Physical Abuse
<b>Ages of Children Served:</b>	2 to 12
<b>Average Number of Children Receiving First Time Core CAC Services Each Month:</b>	38

<b>Interagency Partners:</b>	Beaumont Police Department Bridge City Police Department Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Groves Police Department Hardin County District Attorney Hardin County Sheriff's Department Hardin County Victims Assistance Center Jasper County District Attorney's Office Jasper County Police Department Jasper County Sheriff's Office Jasper County Victims Assistance Center Jefferson County Community Supervision & Corrections Jefferson County District Attorney's Office Jefferson County Sheriff's Office Jefferson County Victims Assistance Center Jefferson County Juvenile Probation Kirbyville Police Department Kountze Police Department Lumberton Police Department Nederland Police Department Newton County District Attorney's Office Newton County Sheriff's Office Newton County Victims Assistance Center Newton Police Department Orange County District Attorney's Office Orange County Sheriff's Office Orange County Victims Assistance Center Orange County Juvenile Probation Orange Police Department Pinehurst Police Department Port Arthur Police Department Port Neches Police Department Rose City Marshall's Office Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Silsbee Police Department Sour Lake Police Department Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Tyler County District Attorney's Office Tyler County Sheriff's Office Vidor Police Department West Orange Police Department Woodville Police Department
<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>	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 Prevention Program Community Education Satellite Offices Training for Partner Agencies Case Management/Tracking Courtesy Interviews/Services Developed and oversee local Speaker's Bureau
<b>Center Staff Positions and Time Staffed:</b>	Executive Director (fte) Administrative Assistant (fte) Receptionist (pte) Interviewer (position paid by CPS) (fte) Interviewer Satellite Office/Program Developer (fte) Family Support Worker/Volunteer Coordinator (fte) Counselors (1 fte) (2 pte)

**Facility Information:** Square footage: 2,000. Neutral, free standing facility. Residential Site - The Oaks Historical District. Conveniently located within 5 minutes of the hospital, police department, CPS offices and the courthouse. It is handicap accessible. The center has a reception area conference room; living room and kitchen, upstairs layout includes office/monitor room and interview room with one way mirror for videotaping, and 2 large executive offices.

Square Footage: 3,800. The counseling center is located next to the original site in The Oaks Historical District. The building has the following features: family waiting room, kitchen, 2 half bathrooms, and a conference room. Upstairs includes 7 offices for the counseling staff, volunteer coordinator, and university interns; 2 play therapy rooms; sand tray therapy room and a full bathroom.

**Satellite Locations:**  
Orange County - Neutral, free standing facility. Historical site, as it was the original library in Orange County. Conveniently located within close proximity of the courthouse, law enforcement and CPS office. The center has a reception/conference meeting/family waiting area, kitchen, two ,½ b  
aths, two staff offices, play therapy room and interview room. Total square footage is 2,070 sq. ft.  
Tyler County - Donated office space for counseling.  
Jasper County - Donated office space for counseling

**Funding Sources:** County Government  
Foundations  
NCA  
VOCA  
Civic Organizations  
Individual Donors  
Local Grants  
Businesses