

7 Reasons to Give

- 7 You will help prevent child abuse.** The Children's Center for Hope & Healing not only works to help those who have already been abused, but also works to prevent future child abuse. The agency does this in several ways. The agency does this by working with families who are in treatment and are at-risk of having repeat incidents of child abuse. The Center also works with the "Good Touch, Bad Touch" and the "Stewards of Children" nationally recognized prevention curricula.
- 6 You will help people you know** 20% of all children are sexually abused. There are 39 million adult survivors of sexual abuse living in the United States. Sexual abuse is, therefore, not an uncommon experience. It happens across all race, class, and socio-economic strata.
- 5 You will help stop the cycle of sexual abuse - a public health issue that impacts the entire community.** The adverse effects of sexual abuse begin immediately. Without treatment, children who have been sexually abused are at-risk of a number of poor health, social, academic, and emotional outcomes including depression, anxiety, teen pregnancy, juvenile delinquency, academic failure, and suicide.
- 4 You will help increase community-wide awareness** through the agency's public education activities, newsletters, website, and presentations
- 3 You will help a victim become a survivor** – *"Being in therapy has truly helped me turn my life around and has improved my personal feeling of self worth."* (Women's Services Client).
- 2 You will help protect children.** *"The counselors were nothing short of amazing. They were able to get him to open up. They were able to help him understand it wasn't his fault, and equipped him with the tools necessary to prevent it from happening again. All at no charge"* (Parent of a child in Victim Services Program).
- 1 You will change a child's life.** *"Despair and helplessness will never touch our child again"* (Parent of child in Victim Services Program).