Sunflower House is a non-profit and non-residential children’s advocacy and abuse prevention center serving Johnson and Wyandotte counties.

The questions, "What would I want for my child if he or she were abused?" and "How can we stop the cycle of child abuse" drive every decision made at Sunflower House.

The agency addresses abuse and neglect through a comprehensive approach, engaging children, parents, child-serving professionals and the community.

https://sunflowerhouse.org/
Dear Friends:

As I am writing this letter to you, I am filled with gratitude for all of the people that have been by our side this year working toward the mission of protecting children from abuse. It is not simply the work of our staff that has been made an impact this past year. It is all of us. It is YOU. And I truly hope you know that.

With that, I want to share my appreciation with you. TOGETHER we have accomplished so much.

- Children were taught that their bodies belong to them and that no one has the right to hurt their bodies
- Children who have been victimized were given a safe place to tell their stories
- Perpetrators of violence against children were brought to justice with the aid of the forensic interviews conducted at Sunflower House
- Adults who work with children were trained on recognizing and reporting abuse
- Children who came to Sunflower House traumatized from their abuse, experienced healing and restoration because of the therapeutic treatment provided

Wow! We did all of this TOGETHER. I hope that makes you feel as good as it makes me feel.

Whether you have supported us with monthly donations, attended a fundraising event, volunteered, or participated in one of our community events or trainings, we are grateful for you and your commitment to protecting children.

With gratitude,

[Signature]

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Lindsay Garcia Thompson - Grants and Finance Manager  
Kelly Ware - Family Advocate  
Erin Miller Weiss - Interview Specialist

*reflects positions as of June 30, 2019*
REVENUE

- Government Grants: $759,375
- Foundation & Corporations: $352,174
- United Way Grants: $54,162
- Special Events: $222,863
- Contributions: $289,434
- Other Income: $49,137
- Interest Income: $32,973

**Total Revenue:** $1,760,118

EXPENSES

- Salaries & Benefits: $909,843
- Program Costs: $266,785
- Operations: $274,077
- Depreciation: $102,327
- Unfulfilled Pledges: $17,245

**Total Expenses:** $1,570,277

LIABILITIES

- Current Liabilities: $123,677

NET ASSETS

- Without Donor Restrictions: $2,480,676
- With Donor Restrictions: $339,773
- Total Net Assets: $2,820,449

**Total Liabilities & Net Assets:** $2,944,126

ASSETS

- Cash and Equivalents: $201,906
- Accounts & Grants Receivable: $244,061
- Pledges Receivable: $57,075
- Endowment* and Investments: $597,043
- Prepaid Expenses: $20,814
- Net Fixed Assets: $1,823,227

**Total Assets:** $2,944,126

*Permanently restricted endowment = $113,381
YOU BROUGHT PROTECTION, SUPPORT, AND EDUCATION TO CHILDREN IN NEED

Last year (July 2018 - June 2019) OVER 1,000 individuals, foundations, and businesses made generous donations to Sunflower House to fund important services for children in Johnson and Wyandotte counties to protect them from abuse at the hands of someone that they know & trust.

You are one of those amazing donors, and we simply cannot thank you enough. Your donation provided a place for 519 CHILDREN who have been alleged victims of abuse to start their healing and provided personal and electronic safety education to 25,000 CHILDREN in schools throughout Johnson and Wyandotte counties.

Thank you so much for your generous support, and for making all the difference for children in need.

YOU HELPED US PROTECT

Forensic interviews are the first step in the child’s healing and aid in the prosecution of the offender. Interviews are conducted by specially-trained forensic interviewers within the safe and child-friendly environment at Sunflower House. Interview rooms are equipped to allow the multidisciplinary team to observe the interview through a television screen in the next room: eliminating the child’s need to tell their story of abuse multiple times and minimizing trauma. This ONE interview facilitates greater professional communication and case management while it begins the process of restoring HOPE to child victims.

Alleged child abuse victims are referred to Sunflower House by Johnson and Wyandotte County law enforcement agencies or Child Protective Service (CPS). When a child victim is brought to the center a Sunflower House forensic interviewer meets with the police detective and the CPS caseworker assigned to the case. Together the team reviews the facts to determine how to proceed with the case.
FROM JULY 2018 - JUNE 2019

553 Forensic Interviews Conducted

&

519 Children Interviewed

IN 2018 - 2019

519 Child Abuse Victims Served

81% Female

19% Male

PRIMARY ALLEGATIONS

- 3
- 4

Child Exploitation: 413
Neglect: 63
Witness to Violence: 41
Physical Abuse: 3
Sexual Abuse: 189

AGES OF CHILDREN SEEN

0 - 6 years: 108
7 - 12 years: 219
13 - 17 years: 189
18+ years: 3
Sunflower House provides crisis intervention and support to child victims and non-offending family members throughout case investigation and prosecution. The focus is on educating families on the investigative process, advocating for victims’ rights and locating resources to meet the families’ financial or basic needs so the family can focus on healing the child and prosecuting the offender.

"Everyone was on top of the situation and explained everything to where it was understandable and had all resources at the ready."

**YOU HELPED US SUPPORT**

**YOU HELPED US HEAL**

The goal of Sunflower House’s therapy services is to help children and their families heal from the trauma of abuse and provide hope for their future. Each client’s treatment is individualized to meet his/her emotional, psychological and developmental needs using a variety of treatment methods:

- Play therapy
- EMDR therapy
- Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Group therapy

"Thanks for all the help you gave to my daughter. At the beginning, we felt normal when we came for the first time, even a place we didn’t know. We were nervous and shy, but when you explained everything it built trust. Thank you for your help."
Last year, Sunflower House provided life-saving child abuse prevention to more than 28,000 CHILDREN, caregivers, and professionals. Our dedicated team ensure that members of our community know to recognize and report child abuse and that children learn that NO ONE has the right to hurt their bodies.

“We LOVE Happy Bear! It is such a wonderful program for our preschool & pre-K students. At our school we focus a lot on personal space, safe touches, giving privacy, etc. I was so happy when I found the program Happy Bear because it teaches the students all of these guidelines in such a fun way! After this program all of the students start using ‘un-welcome touches’ & ‘welcome touches’ with the correct hand signs. They will tell their parents about it and parents love to see their children learning about safe touches and how to say “No!” to touches that they don’t like. This program is amazing and should be available to all children of all ages.”

YOU HELPED US EDUCATE

>13,000 CHILDREN saw the HAPPY BEAR PLAY in their schools or early learning center

Nearly 4,000 MIDDLE-SCHOOL YOUTH & CAREGIVERS received electronic safety training

Nearly 1,000 PROFESSIONALS were trained as Mandated Reporters for abuse and neglect
THANK YOU TO OUR MAJOR DONORS

Sunflower House is sincerely grateful to all of our donors and volunteers who are committed to the protection of children from abuse. We would like to highlight the foundation, corporations and individuals who made a significant contribution in 2018. These gifts provide care and comfort for children when they need it most.

OUR MAJOR DONORS FROM 2018 - 2019

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*Gifts made in honor or memory of a loved one can be a special way of showing someone how much they mean to you. These tribute gifts were made from July 2018 - June 2019.*

**Happy Birthday Emery Kimbrough**
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Mark & Stacy Parkinson
Barbara Friedmann
John & Michelle Herman
Tom VanDyke & Kay Barnes
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