## 14th Circuit Children's Center



The Children's Center offers a safe and comfortable space for interviews, assessments, counseling and treatment.



## Community Partners

Our community partners strive to provide professional and comprehensive assistance in one place to those living, working and visiting the 14th Circuit. Staff from the following organizations/agencies are available to help you:

14th Circuit Solicitor's Office

14th Circuit SAFE Program

**Hopeful Horizons** 

**Child Abuse Prevention Association** 

**Lowcountry Legal Volunteers** 

**Lowcountry Alliance for Healthy Youth** 

Bikers Against Child Abuse - Southern Chapter (BACA)



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## About Us

The 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Victims Services Center is a community initiative launched by the 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office and its partners. It brings together a team of professionals to help victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child and elder abuse, and other crimes against vulnerable populations within the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. The center aims to reduce the number of times victims must tell their story and the number of places victims must go for help.

- The 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office is the chief prosecuting agency for Allendale, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper counties. Our primary role is to prosecute all cases in General Sessions Court, certain misdemeanors in Magistrate's Court and all criminal cases in Family Court. Services to crime victims were expanded in 2017 to include a Special Victims Unit, which focuses on domestic violence, child abuse and sexual assault cases.
  - www.scsolicitor14.org
- Hopeful Horizons is a children's advocacy, domestic violence and rape crisis center serving the 14th Circuit. Hopeful Horizons offers a 24-hour crisis line and emergency shelter for victims of intimate partner violence and their children, court

- accompaniment, adult and children's counseling and case management. They offer legal assistance and victim advocacy in Family Court to include the filing of Orders of Protection and restraining orders.

  www.hopefulhorizons.org
- Lowcountry Legal Volunteers provides free, critical legal services and education through community volunteers and retired lawyers to low-income families in Beaufort, Hampton, and Jasper counties. LCLV handles civil cases in the following areas: adoption, child custody, visitation, child support, divorce, name changes, simple consumer matters, eviction actions, lease termination, simple wills and probate. www.lowcountrylegalvolunteers.org
- The Lowcountry Alliance for a Healthy Youth is a community prevention coalition in southern Beaufort County that brings together all sectors of the community to identify and implement strategies that promote positive youth development. It addresses substance use/abuse and related risk behaviors. LCAHY is a recipient of a Drug-Free Communities Support Program Grant. www.lcahealthyyouth.com

- The Child Abuse Prevention Association provides prevention and intervention programs that break the cycle of child abuse and neglect. It uses school-based safety and character-development programs for children, teen pregnancy prevention programs, and a variety of parent education and support programs. Since opening in 1985, the Open Arms Children's Home has been home to more than 2,100 children. Capabeaufort.org
- The 14<sup>th</sup> Circuit Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Program provides specialized trauma-informed medical forensic care for those affected by sexual violence in the 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit. Specially trained nurses identify and document physical trauma, while providing skilled care to victims of all ages. safe@scsolicitor14.org

