

## **Childhelp Children's Center of Arizona**

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Operating since 1998, the **Childhelp Children's Center of Arizona** serves abused and neglected children by providing treatment, intervention, and investigation services in a child-friendly and childcentric environment.

The goal of the Center is to provide services that address the immediate safety and complete wellbeing of children referred to the Center through a strong partnership of co-located partners including:

- Phoenix Children's Hospital,
- the Department of Child Safety Office of Child Welfare Investigations, and
- the Phoenix Police Department's Crimes Against Children Unit

The Center also partners with the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, the Office of the Attorney General and advocacy centers throughout Maricopa County.

Working together as a multidisciplinary team through each step of the investigation not only shortens the initial investigative process, it eliminates the need for children to visit multiple locations to be interviewed multiple times. Hundreds of children are served each month at the Center.



**PLAYROOM** All aspects of the facility reflect attentionto-detail, providing a child-friendly environment and atmosphere. A large glass-walled playroom, fully equipped with toys and activities, is available for children and their siblings to use, as well as a teen room for older children. Trained volunteers help in the playroom with supervision of the children.



## **Community Support**

All children served by the Center receive a new toy when they leave to provide the child with a positive memory. Donations are collected year-round of toys, overnight kits, back-to-school supplies and items to meet the basic needs of children — food, clothing and hygiene kits. Only new items are collected for the children served at the Center. Community support plays a critical role in meeting the needs of the children served by the Center.

## **Childhelp Children's Center Services**

Specially-trained forensic interviewers meet with children when allegations of abuse or neglect arise. Children are interviewed in a comfortable atmosphere that enables them to speak freely. The interviews are developmentally and culturally sensitive, unbiased, fact-finding and legally sound.

As part of the process, children may also receive a specialized medical examination to gather evidence of physical and/or sexual assault.

Additional services provided at the Center include victim advocacy and clinical services. The victim advocacy team provides support and resources to non-offending caregivers, with the goal of facilitating healing. As a licensed outpatient clinic, the facility provides clinical services including on site trauma based therapy, sensory modulation occupational therapy, and in-home family support services.



Childhelp exists to meet the physical, emotional, educational and spiritual needs of abused, neglected and at-risk children.



Thank you for supporting the children and youth served by the Childhelp Children's Center of Arizona. This is a list of items that are most in need right now. Please contact Childhelp for more ways to help.

- Dolls/Barbies
- Superhero Action Figures (no guns)
- Toy Trucks and Cars
- Board Games
- Play-doh
- Coloring Books
- Crayons
- Building Blocks
- Journals
- Puzzles

- Sports Balls
- Activity Books
- Arts and Craft Kits
- Lego Sets
- Healing Stones
- Bracelets
- Fidget Spinners
- Cozy Blankets
- Lotion Sets
- Sports themed items and decorations

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