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The Branch

"Giving Parker County Children a Voice!"

MDT Chili Cook Off

Congratulations to Britni Sargent for winning this years MDT Chili Cook Off! Thank you to everyone that participated and attended. The chili was outstanding, and the company was even better!



A letter from the Director

Hello All,

I wanted to introduce myself, my name is Alex Vazquez and I have been appointed the new Interim Executive Director here at the Children's Advocacy Center. I was born in Mexico City and moved to the United States when I was 8 years old. I am the second oldest of 5 kids. I have been married to my beautiful wife Stephanie Vazquez for 7 years and we have a lovely 5-year-old daughter named Camille and we are expecting a child in May.

My background has been in soccer and have played the sport since I was 4 years old. The sport gave me so many wonderful experiences and helped me attend various Universities. After being part of the State Championship team in 1999, I attended Richland College in Dallas, Texas, where I received my associates degree. To continue my education as well as my soccer career I attended Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas. A year later I ended up in Mexico trying to pursue my professional level there. I was able to play for a semi-professional team but went no further than that. When I returned, I ended my education at SAGU in Waxahachie, Texas. I received my bachelor's degree in Professional Development and ended up playing a year there, and then became the assistant coach for the next two years.

I started my professional career at the Granbury ISD as the school district's translator. Later I became an investigator for the Department of Protective Services in Johnson County for a year and a half. I accepted a position at the Johnson County Children's Advocacy Center as the bilingual family advocate. There I learned to be a forensic interviewer and served as the bilingual interviewer for two-years. In August of 2018 I became the 4th employee for the Children's Advocacy Center of Parker County as the MDT Coordinator and Statewide Intake. I have loved my time here and could not see myself anywhere else. I look forward to my future here at the CAC and hope I can fill the very large shoes Cheryl left behind.

Sincerely,
Alex Vazquez
Interim Executive Director



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CACPC Spotlight

Bayleigh Garvin

We would like to take the time to recognize our Administrative Assistant, Bayleigh. Bayleigh was our very first volunteer before the CAC ever opened and has now turned into an employee. Bayleigh goes above and beyond to help every single staff member. She continues to grow with us and has started on her path to forensic interviewing. We could not function the way we do if we didn't have her with us! THANK YOU BAYLEIGH!

Services Provided to Date 2021:

355 People Served

296 New Clients

**745 Units of
Service/Advocacy**

181 Forensic Interviews

**340 individuals receiving
counseling services**

1,115 Hours of Counseling

It's Christmas Time!

Christmas is right around the corner, and we are so excited! Every year the CAC hosts a Christmas party for our clients.

At this party our clients get to have pictures with Santa, hot chocolate, and cookies. We also give the children in the family Christmas presents. If you are interested in adopting a family that is a little more in need, please let us know.



NEEDS!

Currently we are in need of gift cards, Christmas items for teen girls and boys, small and large waters, juice, snacks, and coffee. If you would like to donate any of these items they can be dropped off at the CAC during business hours.

Ways to Help:

To Donate directly to the CACPC – Visit cacparkercounty.org and use the donate button

Shop at smile.amazon.com to donate to the CACPC through your Amazon purchases.

GIFT CARDS NEEDED!!!

Upcoming Events:

Client Christmas Party - December 9th from
4:00 – 6:00 PM

A big thank you to Don Harbor with Holly Jolly Christmas Lighting for putting up our Christmas lights for the 3rd year in a row. Don's attention to detail and the care he puts into our building helps us to stand out through the holiday season. Be sure to call Holly Jolly Christmas Lighting at 254-205-1578 for all your Christmas light needs!