

## About the Champions4Children Walk 2011

The Champions4Children Walk began in 2007. The Chapter Office took the reigns in designing a walk to raise awareness about child abuse and to help financially bolster children's advocacy centers across Illinois. The design of the Walk has evolved over the years, and we are excited about the format for this year. Each CAC now has the opportunity to host the Walk in its own community, increasing the number of individuals who can participate and empowering each Center to share the important work they do.

Each year, an average of 200 children are interviewed at the **Champaign County Children's Advocacy Center**. The CAC provides these children with a safe, welcoming place where they are heard and where they and their families receive healing, supportive services.

### Why Walk?

#### To Raise Awareness

Child abuse is a topic most people would prefer to ignore. In order to help end abuse, we need to share the reality of child abuse in Illinois and how CACs help children who have survived.

#### Supporting Children's Advocacy Centers

Unrestricted funds are incredibly valuable to CACs as they strive to provide high-quality services in the midst of low, delayed, or disappearing funding. Each dollar raised helps ensure that children have a safe, supportive environment in which to share their experiences.



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