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SCAN On its Way to Serving more than 1,000 This Fiscal Year

In February, SCAN will enter its sixth month of service during this fiscal year. Last year, SCAN reached 1,731 children and 495 adults who were affected by child abuse and/or neglect in addition to reaching more than 60,000 people through its prevention efforts. SCAN is on track to serve a similar number of people this year. Below are some highlights.

The Child Advocacy Center (CAC) has served **313 children** through forensic interviews, case reviews, and mental health therapy. The staff and Multidisciplinary team have conducted **193 forensic interviews** to aid in the investigation of the painful circumstances surrounding these children. Of these cases, 165 were cases of **sexual abuse**, 34 were cases of **physical abuse**, 15 were cases of **severe neglect**, and others were cases of children who were witnesses to violence and other types of maltreatment.

The Richmond Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program has served **282 children**, helping to ensure they are placed in safe, permanent homes after being involved in cases of abuse and neglect. The CASA program served a total of 217 children last fiscal year. To address the demonstrated increase in need for its services, CASA has been recruiting new volunteers to add to its current ranks of **70 active volunteers**. Read more below.

The Family Support Program (FSP) has served **215 caregivers and children** through its education and treatment groups. The program continued to serve caregivers who struggle with their own histories of trauma, making it even more important for them to receive education, resources and mental health treatment to become better parents. The program makes a difference. For example, so far this year **90% of caregivers in the program reported an increase in knowledge of child-rearing methods** and **100% of parents reported an improved understanding of child development**.

The Families Are Magic Prevention Program (FAM) reached dozens of people through its new Circle of Parents programs in the **Henrico County Jail, Whitcomb Court, and Anna Julia Cooper Episcopal School**. The program helps caregivers by creating a support system among participants to help them all be better parents. It has been well received and is already increasing parents' protective factors and social networks. FAM also continued to make a difference by connecting partners in the community to each other and to information through the FAM Network, which now has **77 members**.

There are now **8 children** attending the **Circle Preschool Program**. In order to best serve children at the preschool, we keep the number of children low and the number of adults in the classroom high. This **best-practice model** continues to help children on a daily basis as the staff provide high quality early childhood education and mental health treatment. The need for the program is present as they keep a waiting list for participation.



Richmond CASA Training a New Class of Volunteers

As you can read in the program highlights, Richmond CASA needs help serving an increasing number of children who are involved in cases of abuse or neglect in the City of Richmond.



CASA graduated a class of volunteers in November 2013 and has already begun training a new class of volunteers. It is the first daytime training in at least five years in response to the great need for more CASA volunteers. The class will be sworn in on February 25, 2014. SCAN is grateful for the many people diving in to make a difference.

Richmond CASA plans to have another training beginning in the middle of May 2014. It will be an evening training. If you are interested, contact Jana Blue at jana.blue@richmondgov.com or (804) 646-0519.

You can learn more about becoming a CASA Volunteer at www.grscan.com

Isley Brewing Company Event

Monday
February 24
5 to 7 p.m.



Isley Brewing Company
1715 Summit Avenue
Richmond, VA 23230

Please join us at this local brewery to learn more about the great work Greater Richmond SCAN (Stop Child Abuse Now) is doing to create a safer future for our community's children. RSVP to Jana Blue by February 21 at volunteer@grscan.com.

Visit Isley Brewing Company's website at isleybrewingcompany.com.

Thank you!

Thank you to the **Lipman Foundation** for its recent grant to support the Child Advocacy Center and the Circle Preschool Program.

Thank you to **MeadWestVaco** for contributing to SCAN to support its child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment services.

Registration Now Open!

6th Annual Race to Protect Children

Saturday, May 3, 2014
West Broad Village

8:30 a.m. Kids Run
9 a.m. 5k Run/Walk
9 a.m. Children's Festival

Start a team, fundraise, make a difference at www.grscan.com.



Accepting Applications for BYP Membership

SCAN is accepting applications for Board of Young Professionals members for the 2014-2015 year. If you are interested in applying, please submit an application by March 1. Visit www.grscan.com to learn more.



SAVE THE DATE

Bourbon Street at the Tuckahoe

Saturday, March 1, 2014
8 p.m. to Midnight

Tuckahoe Woman's Club
4215 Dover Road, Richmond, VA
23221

Join us again for live music, dancing, dinner and an open bar, featuring a fantastic bourbon selection, hurricanes, wine tastings and more. Learn more at www.grscan.com.

Progressive Dinner & Auction

Saturday, April 5, 2014
5 pm to Midnight

Tuckahoe Woman's Club
4215 Dover Road, Richmond, VA
23221

Join us for dinner in the homes around Windsor Farms and Westmoreland Place followed by dessert, dancing and auction at Tuckahoe Woman's Club. Learn more at www.grscan.com.

Thank you Protector's Circle Members

Ruth and Franco Ambrogi	Debra Krey
Trina and Roy Anise	Benjamin Ladd
Toni Ardabell	Amy and Byron Ladd
Kelly and Tiffany Armstrong	Lisa and Harris Leiner
Casey and Pete Bartok	Juliet and Mark Levin
Lindley and Coby Beck	Anne Marie and Paul Lundmark
Cathy and Howard Bos	Elizabeth and Michael Martin
Kathryn and Matt Brotherton	Sally Maruca
Ellen and Orran Brown	Carol A. McCoy
Wendy and Wadsford Bugg	Cathy and Read McGehee
Daisy and Tom Byrd	Jasper Mersereau
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Cindy and Michael Joyce	Laura and Steve Wilson
Margaret and Jerry Keightley	Stephanie and Brad Welles
Jen and John Kostyniuk	

Board of Young Professionals Spotlight: Matt Curtin

Matt Curtin works for Impact Makers, a consulting firm that donates 100% of its profits to charity.

“We do well for ourselves while doing good,” said Matt about Impact Makers. “Joining the Board of Young Professionals(BYP) at SCAN is a natural extension of what I do all day every day.”

Matt joined SCAN’s BYP in July 2013. Since he has joined, Matt has gotten involved in a number of important activities that the group does to support SCAN, especially Bourbon Street. The annual Mardi Gras event will be held on March 1. Matt has successfully invited a number of corporate partners to make the event a success. Bourbon Street raises valuable funds and awareness to support SCAN’s mission.

“You really can have a good time while supporting such wonderful work,” Matt said. “It’s sort of a world view that I hold and understand my fellow board members to have.”

When Matt joined the BYP, he said the BYP members and staff were gracious with their time to educate him about SCAN’s programs and the volunteer projects of the BYP. He said he felt welcomed and inspired the second he walked in.

“I thought, if other board members are really busy and find the time to do this work, then I could do that, too,” Matt said. “It is humbling to work around people who take this so seriously.”

As he learned about SCAN’s work during the volunteer training process, Matt said that taking the Stewards of Children child sexual abuse prevention training was one of the most moving experiences of his life.

“I was unaware of the depth and breadth that this is happening every day,” Matt said. “I didn’t realize how many ways a child could be hurt and how many socio-economic walls child sexual abuse breaks down. There truly aren’t barriers to who can become victims of child abuse.”

Matt said he looks forward to continuing to make a difference with SCAN and SCAN is fortunate to have such an energetic and enthusiastic member on our team!

[Learn more about SCAN’s Board of Young Professionals at www.grscan.com.](http://www.grscan.com)

