



Hope for Children and Families News from Onslow County

As we close out June we're celebrating One Place's 26th birthday! Since 1998, One Place has worked to strengthen the systems of care surrounding children and families in Onslow County. Through meaningful partnerships with community organizations, we've never given up on our mission: Strengthening children, connecting families, and ending child abuse.

Don't forget to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) for updates and photos from our upcoming events!

Advancing Our Mission: Updates on the SECU Hope Center

We're continuing our mission of creating hope and healing for the families in Onslow County with our new SECU Hope Center, now under construction.

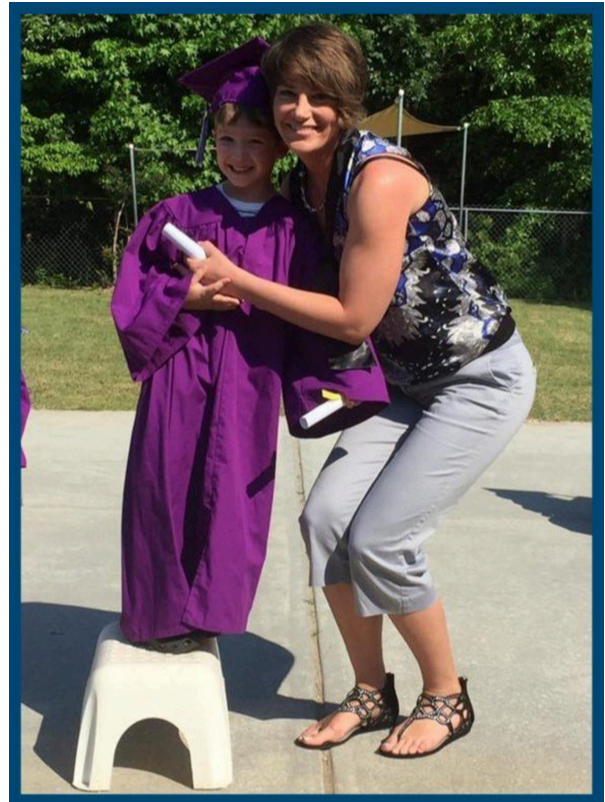
With a permanent home:

- We will have the capacity to serve 600 children annually through our Child Advocacy Center—a 100% increase!
- We can offer 100% of children comprehensive medical exams
- We can offer 100% of children trauma-informed mental health services onsite
- Children in licensed child care will be served in trauma-informed classrooms

[Click here to learn more about SECU Hope Center.](#)



NC Pre-K Graduation



This month, children enrolled in North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten graduated and will start their next academic chapter in the fall. Due to brain growth, the first 2,000 days of a child's life—from birth to age 5—matter more than any other developmental period.

Research finds that when children have access to high-quality early childhood education, children have significantly [higher rates of educational achievement and consistent employment](#).

NC Pre-K provides a great foundation for children's future success and helps create a more stable, resilient future for everyone in the community.

Meet the Carolina Pine Needle Quilters Guild



Each year, the Carolina Pine Needle Quilters Guild donates an array of handmade quilts to the One Place Child Advocacy Center. Each child seen in the CAC is able to select a quilt of their choice to take home.

At their annual meeting this year the guild donated 143 quilts to the CAC. Since 2010, The Carolina Pine Needle Quilter's Guild has donated more than 4,000 quilts to the One Place Child Advocacy Center to support child abuse and neglect victims in Onslow County.

"It isn't possible for me to hug every child that enters (the CAC) doors. I can't tell them all that they deserve love without having to do anything to "earn it". What I can do is put my heart into a portable hug for a child that needs one. The quilts are an opportunity to give something tangible to someone I care about. I don't need to know the child to care about them. It is an act of service done with a grateful heart." - Robin Stevenson, member of the Quilters Guild

[Read the story of our partnership with the Quilters Guild here →](#)





Reserve Your Diamonds & Denim Sponsorship Now

Our annual fundraiser brings our community together for an evening of bites, sips, and celebration—while we raise funds to prevent child abuse and give families and children the support they need to grow and thrive.

We're excited to share that this year's event will feature a catered meal by Outback Steakhouse and we're bringing back [Jack Jack 180](#) for more amazing live music.



We hope to see you at this year's event!

[Reserve your sponsorship today!](#)

We Need You!

If you've visited our website, follow us on social media, or have interacted with One Place anywhere else during the past year, we'd love to hear from you!

We're conducting a brief survey and we're looking for your honest feedback to help understand our impact and improve our programs and services.

[Complete our short survey.](#)

In the News

Dawn Rochelle, One Place's Chief Executive Officer, wrote an op-ed featured in the Daily News about new funding changes impacting child advocacy centers nationwide.

"This year, despite a targeted effort by bill advocates across the full nonprofit spectrum, the Crime Victims Fund (CVF) has seen a \$600 million slash to its bottom line," shares Rochelle. "Across the board, this will look like less financial support for victims of violent crimes, depleted legal resources in the pursuit of justice and fewer victims' rights advocates."

[Read more on what this means for One Place's Child Advocacy Center](#)—and why your support during this time is so critical.

Your Support Makes One Place Possible

Your donation today is an investment that provides hope and strengthens the lives of children and families in Onslow County.

We are grateful for our partnership with caring, reliable supporters like you.
Thank you for believing in our mission.

Donate Now