

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: ChildSafe	Federal Tax ID#: 74-2633697	501(c)(3) Public Charity 509 (a)(1)
Address: 3730 IH-10 E	City: San Antonio	State: Texas
		Zip Code: 78220
Website: www.childsafe-sa.org	Fax: (210) 675-9000	United Way Funded: Yes

Fiscal Year: July 01 to June 30

Head Of Organization

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Application Contact

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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
2007	\$50,000
2008	\$50,000
2009	\$85,000
2010	\$50,000
2011	\$50,000
2012	\$50,000
2013	\$85,000
2015	\$85,000
2016	\$75,000
2017	\$75,000
2018	\$75,000
2019	\$75,000
2020	\$100,000
Total	\$905,000

Has the organization applied to the Najim Charitable Foundation in the past and been declined?

Yes

2014 - \$150,000 to support the ChildSafe & YMCA of Greater San Antonio's Child Sexual Abuse Awareness Prevention Program.

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$150,000	\$5,064,207	\$5,064,207

Mission Statement:

As the only Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) in Bexar County, ChildSafe's mission is to restore dignity, hope, and trust to children traumatized by abuse and neglect.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

To Support Essential Healing Services for Abused and Neglected Children.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date	End Date
05/01/2021	04/30/2022

Harvey E. Najim Charitable Foundation Priorities:

Child Abuse & Child Neglect

Program / Project Description:

All children have the inalienable right to feel protected and loved. They come into this world trusting unconditionally, and it is our responsibility to not abuse that trust. But unfortunately, at least 1 in 7 children in the U.S. experiences abuse and neglect and 1 in 10 experiences sexual abuse before their 18th birthday. Devastatingly, with only 1 of the 10 cases ever getting disclosed, child abuse continues to be a crime of secrecy and the most underreported public health crisis.

San Antonio continues to have the highest per capita rate of confirmed child abuse cases of all major, metropolitan Texas cities. Of the 650,000 children in Bexar County, 162,500 will experience abuse or neglect and 65,000 will be victims of sexual abuse before age 18.

COVID-19 has altered family dynamics in ways that put already vulnerable children at an increased risk of abuse and neglect. Social isolation, economic hardship, and parenting stressors have created grounds for violence in families where it did not exist before, and exacerbated it in ones where it did already. At the same time, some pandemic prevention measures have abruptly cut children off from positive and supportive relationships they rely on when in distress, including at school, in the extended family, and in the community. Children have been compelled to spend most of their time at home locked behind closed doors with their parents/caretakers, who are often the main perpetrators. Usually, most early detection and reports of child abuse are from educational and healthcare personnel. It is feared thousands of child abuse cases in our community have remained unmasked as a consequence of the lockdown. We anticipate a significant spike in reports of abuse when all children are back in school.

We are the only agency of its kind in Bexar County that coordinates the investigation, prosecution, and healing services for the most severe cases of child abuse. We reduce the revictimization of the child, remove barriers to investigation and treatment, and enhance criminal prosecution with our distinctive multidisciplinary and united approach to these complex and severe cases. Each year, we serve over 5,000 children who were sexually abused, severely physically abused, or who had witnessed a violent crime.

In August 2019, ChildSafe opened our 65,000 sq ft campus on the Eastside of San Antonio, a beacon of hope supporting the total care and restoration of abused children. Thousands of children annually are healing here. A parent wrote the building, "Felt as if the wings of an angel had wrapped around us." Home to Child Protective Services, law enforcement, prosecution, a service center for sexually exploited and trafficked youth, and ChildSafe staff, our national-model campus adapts to meet emerging community needs and allows us to provide a greater depth of services for children and their families, ensuring more healing.

Societal costs of child abuse are enormous. Fortunately, trauma-focused evidence-based therapy has proven to significantly lower the associated risks and increase the developmental assets needed to build strong, emotionally healthy adults. We use intervention and prevention approaches to reduce and prevent child abuse. We are committed to every child having a pathway to overcome fundamental challenges, achieve emotional stability, and ensure lifelong success through our core programs:

Forensic Interviews: ChildSafe serves as the only neutral party in Bexar County providing forensic interviews to child victims of abuse and neglect. A forensic interview of a child is a developmentally sensitive and legally sound method for specially trained interviewers to gather factual information as part of a larger investigative process. Our process enables children to tell their story once, thereby lessening the trauma of the investigative process.

Client Services: Protective family members caring for a child victim of abuse may struggle to meet the unexpected needs of a child in crisis. Our staff ensures the child and family understands the forensic interview process and the legal/civil investigative processes. Staff identifies family needs, ensures access to support, and refers for therapy or emergency assistance.

Clinical Therapy Services: In most cases, the alleged perpetrator is known to the child, and most children suffer abuse in silence for years; as a result, reestablishing trust in families is critical. ChildSafe's Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Child and Family Traumatic Stress Intervention services are specifically designed to lower risks for destructive behavior in abused children and increase developmental assets needed to build emotionally healthy adults. We also offer Parent-Child Care, a proven treatment program for parents of young children with behavioral problems, as well as an adventure therapy (AT) program to rebuild the family following the damage of abuse. ChildSafe's AT program is one-of-a-kind for any CAC in the nation.

Child Abuse Prevention Training: Our prevention and education team empowers community members by addressing the low awareness of the prevalence, consequences, and circumstances of abuse, limited knowledge of steps and actions to protect children, and reluctance to act in response to suspicions of abuse. We train Region 20 school district employees, the second such online training offered by a CAC in Texas and the only bilingual one.

The need for our services continues to grow. Last year, ChildSafe served 5,289 children and families and provided 1,913 forensic interviews, 6,464 clinical therapy sessions, and 133 adventure therapy sessions. We also trained 15,000 adults to recognize and report child abuse and support children in breaking their silence.

Children are the world's best hope for the future. With increased support from the Najim Foundation, we can continue to protect our most valuable resource.

Evaluation Plan:

Each of ChildSafe's programs is outcomes-based and tracked to offer results to our community. A child's progress in therapy is based on the age-based Trauma Stress Symptoms Check List(s) for Children used at intake and every 3 months thereafter. The clinically-tested Family Assessment Device is completed by caregivers to reliably assess the family's overall general functioning and developmental assets of the children.

A client satisfaction tool for case management services is used at intake, after every forensic interview, and with any client contact. New client charts are reviewed daily for medical criteria for referral to other service providers. Success is determined based on progress towards individualized client goals. All outcomes are tracked in the metrics database, Efforts to Outcomes (ETO).

Participants in child abuse prevention trainings complete pre- and post-surveys on their knowledge of child abuse and their ability to utilize protective behaviors. All outcomes are tracked in ETO.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

In a competitive philanthropic environment with fewer corporations and foundations to make requests of than in other major Texas cities, ChildSafe's board and staff have developed a strategic long-term sustainable funding plan to ensure Bexar County's abused children will always have a place of refuge, hope, and healing. Our President/CEO and Chief Advancement Officer have worked to establish collaborative and philanthropic partnerships as we seek to increase total funds raised for operations from diverse sources: individuals, corporations, foundations, churches, civic groups, governmental contracts, and virtual or socially distanced fundraisers.

ChildSafe's dedicated donors, board, partners, volunteers, and staff are our most important resources in protecting our community's children from abuse. We provide services aligned with best practices and strive to make these services accessible to every child.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?	How many unduplicated children will NCF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?
3,378	180

Please provide the percentage of each group below that will be served by the project in which funds are being requested. Do not leave any area blank. If that specific group will not be served, include zero. The percentage should total 100%.

A. Population Served Age		B. Population Served Ethnicity	
Infants (0-5)	8%	African American	8%
Children (6-13)	52%	Asian American	0%
Young Adults (14-18)	40%	Caucasian	17%
TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	68%
		Native American	0%
		Other and Define	7%
		TOTAL:	100%

City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:

District1, District2, District3, District4, District5, District6, District7, District8, District9, District10

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation
Salaries	\$3,071,970	\$100,000
Payroll & Benefits	\$578,962	\$0

Core Program Operations	\$1,113,275	\$50,000
In-Kind	\$300,000	\$0
TOTAL:	\$5,064,207	\$150,000

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

For Project being Requested: Funding sources and amounts, pending and committed.

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Kronkosky Charitable Foundation LOI	\$125,000
Elizabeth Huth Coates Foundation	\$50,000
Betty Stieren Kelso Foundation	\$50,000
H-E-B TOC	\$30,000
Myra Stafford Pryor Charitable Trust	\$29,000
Albert & Margaret Alkek Foundation LOI	\$25,000
Nathalie & Gladys Dalkowitz Charitable Trust	\$10,000
David & Betty Sacks Foundation	\$10,000
Sam & Laura Dawson Family Foundation	\$5,000
Arnold and Irene Kocurek Foundation	\$5,000
Louis H. and Mary Patricia Stumberg Foundation	\$5,000
City Council Project Fund	\$3,000
Saint Susie Foundation	\$3,000
Kappa Delta Foundation	\$2,500
Robert A. and Kathey K. Anderson Foundation	\$2,000
Grand Purpose Foundation	\$500
William and Sally Macon Fund	\$500
Harvey E. Najim Charitable Foundation	\$150,000
Capital Group Companies Charitable Foundation	\$9,900
TOTAL:	\$515,400

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Federal Government (VOCA)	\$1,655,908
Children's Advocacy Center of Texas	\$748,098
United Way	\$472,987
Federal	\$228,210
Baptist Health Foundation	\$200,000
University Health System	\$175,000
Nancy Smith Hurd Foundation	\$150,000
City of San Antonio	\$147,500
Kronkosky Charitable Foundation	\$125,000
H-E-B	\$100,000

Methodist Healthcare Ministries	\$90,000
Local - Bexar County COVID	\$75,000
Valero Benefit for Children	\$50,000
Other Victim Assistance Grant	\$41,200
Greehey Family Foundation	\$25,000
Wayne and JoAnn Moore Charitable Foundation	\$25,000
Carl C. and Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation	\$20,000
Marcia and Otto Koehler Foundation	\$20,000
United Way - DFPS	\$11,000
Faye L. and William L. Cowden Charitable Foundation	\$10,000
In-N-Out Burger Foundation	\$10,000
Frederic & Dorothea Oppenheimer Foundation	\$10,000
Albert and Denise Trujillo Family Foundation	\$10,000
Costco Community Grant	\$5,000
Kimmelman Fund	\$5,000
Texas Alliance of Child & Family Services	\$5,000
Sundt Foundation	\$2,650
Alamo Kiwanis Club	\$2,000
TOTAL:	\$4,419,553
Other funding sources and amounts, pending and committed not specific to this request.	
ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING	
Funder Name	Amount Requested
Same As Above	\$515,400
TOTAL:	\$515,400
ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED	
Funder Name	Amount Requested
Same As Above	\$4,419,553
TOTAL:	\$4,419,553
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?	
100%	
If Board giving is not at 100%, please explain why?	
How are board members expected to participate in your organization?	

ChildSafe's board members meet every other month to provide governance, financial oversight, support, and evaluation; ensure legal and ethical integrity and effective planning; and monitor and strengthen programs and services. ChildSafe's board participates on committees including: Executive, Finance, Development, Capital Campaign, and Building. All members serve on at least one board committee and work together to assist in securing private sector funds from individuals, corporations, and charitable foundations to further ChildSafe's mission and meet the short and long-term needs of the organization. Last fiscal year, the board gave \$43,500. Doug Cross and Bill Moll serve as Co-Chairs of the Capital Campaign committee. Evidencing his dedication to Bexar County's children, Mr. Harvey E. Najim serves as the Honorary Chair of this committee. His generous support made the lofty dream of a national-model campus come true. We are honored that our campus is named the Harvey E. Najim Children & Family Center.

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