



# CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL OF SAN BENITO COUNTY





# CAPC HISTORY

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- In 1989, the California state legislature passed **The Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council Act (the Act)**
- The Act specified that **each county shall fund at least one Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC)**, using allocations from the county Children's Trust Fund



# CAPC FINANCES

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- The Act authorized the use of federal funds for county child abuse prevention programs **Children's Trust Fund** with revenue from **birth certificate fees**.





# CAPC HISTORY

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- Benito County Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 786
- Reorganization and revitalization of CAPC of 2017-2018
  - Part of the bylaws require an annual presentation to the Board of Supervisors



# CAPC REPRESENTATION

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- **Public child welfare services**
- **The criminal justice system**
- **Prevention and treatment services,**
- **Community representatives**





# CAPC FUNCTIONS

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- **Provide a forum for interagency cooperation and coordination**
- **Promote public awareness**
- **Encourage and facilitate training**
- **Recommend improvements in services**
- **Encourage and facilitate community support.**



# A SNAPSHOT OF CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT IN SBC

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## Strengths of our County:

- The rate of substantiated child abuse reports has **decreased 69%** over the last decade
- **96%** of ER 24-hour child abuse investigations are **completed in a timely manner**
- The rate of entries into foster care (2.3 per 1,000)-- **lowest it's been in over a decade.**





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- **59% of non-emergency 10-day** child abuse investigations are **considered “not timely.”** This rate is nearly two times the State rate of 31%.
- **96% of domestic violence cases have children** living in the home. Nearly two-thirds of domestic violence cases are witnessed by children.





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- **15% of children under the age of 18 live below Poverty Level.**
- **Nearly 80% of adult women** have graduated from high school.
  - However, less than **10% of Oaxacan women** have completed high school, which can make it more difficult to achieve economic stability.



# OUR PRIORITIES

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- **Community Outreach & Engagement**
- **Culturally Competent and Trauma-Informed Systems**
- **Child Welfare Outcomes**
- **Strategic, Communitywide Response to Child Abuse, Neglect & Domestic Violence**

