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Boeing Employees Community Fund Supports Children's Advocacy Center

Melbourne, Fla.—The Boeing Company Florida Operations Employees Community Fund at Kennedy Space Center has awarded a \$7,234 grant to the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard (CACB) for its Case Tracking Program.

“We are overwhelmed and very grateful to the Boeing employees for their tremendous generosity,” said Charles Biehl, Director of the Child Protection Team and the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard. “During our last fiscal year, which ended June 30, Advocacy Center partners assessed and tracked 996 cases of child sexual abuse and the most severe physical abuse and neglect found in Brevard. The work at the Advocacy Center is hard and it means a lot when the community, in this case, Boeing ECF, recognizes and supports what we do on behalf of abused children. Words cannot adequately express our appreciation.”

The CACB Case Tracking Program ensures that no child gets lost in the complex system of investigating allegations of child abuse through bi-weekly case tracking meetings. Agency representatives from the Child Protection Team, Department of Children and Families including Child Welfare Legal Services, Office of the State Attorney, law enforcement, mental health, Community Based Care and others as needed, participate in these meetings. Together they ensure the safety of the child and that he or she is receiving all necessary services.

Established in 1996, the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard is a nonprofit organization affiliated with Wuesthoff Health Services. CACB is a multi-agency collaboration of the Child Protection Team, the Florida Department of Children and Families, these two agencies are onsite at the Advocacy Center; Brevard County Sheriff's Office and municipal law enforcement agencies, the Office of the State Attorney and community mental health professionals. Advocacy Center partners are involved in the most difficult cases in Brevard County, including cases of child sexual or severe physical abuse, and neglect. Major onsite services provided by the Child Protection Team include medical exams, medical consultations, and specialized and forensic interviews. The CACB Clinical Intervention Program provides immediate mental health crisis counseling for child victims and their non-offending family members. All services provided at the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard are free to the victim's family.

For additional information about the Advocacy Center, call us at 259-1883, or visit our website at www.cacbrevard.org. CACB tours are available by appointment by calling Teresa Munroe at 259-1883.

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Boeing ECF Awards Grant to Children's Advocacy Center



(left) Representing The Boeing Company Employees Community Fund is Nicholas Hopkins, who presented a \$7,234 check for the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard's Case Tracking Program to Charles Biehl, Director of the Children's Advocacy Center/Child Protection Team and Teresa Munroe, Children's Advocacy Center Communications & Development Coordinator.

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