

Windsor-Essex Child/Youth Advocacy Centre



NEWSLETTER

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Kids should ONLY have to tell their story ONCE!

How to Monitor Your Child's Social Media

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It can be difficult to speak to your child/youth about being safe on social media. With various apps such as Instagram, TikTok and Discord there are several ways where your child/youth could unknowingly make themselves vulnerable to online predators. Listed below are tips and tricks on how to approach online with your child/youth and ways you can monitor their online presence as a parent.

Tip #1: Have an open and age-appropriate conversation

Be clear about your concerns. Being honest about the dangers of the internet allows you to have an open discussion with your child/youth. Ensure they understand the things you are looking for (inappropriate content, cyberbullying, etc.) and why you are concerned. There are additional resources to help relay this message to children. 'AMAZE org' offers an amazing and informative video that you and your child/youth can watch together!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HxySrSbSY7o&ab_channel=AMAZEOrg

Tip #2: Become familiar with your child's device

Be aware of current and popular social media and messaging apps (ex. TikTok, Instagram, Discord, Whatsapp). Get familiar with how these apps operate and where to look for potential dangerous communication. Browser history and direct messages are potential hotspots for concern.

Tip #3: Download a monitoring app

In our busy and modern world, it can be difficult to watch over every single thing your child/youth does - especially online. Luckily, there are several apps today that can help! 'Very Well Family' offers a vast list: <https://www.verywellfamily.com/best-parental-control-apps-4779963>

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McKenna and Alysha are excited to take on the roles of Advocates at the Windsor-Essex Child and Youth Advocacy Centre. Alysha (she/her) has extensive work experience in the clinical mental health field. Alysha is lively and brings positive energy to the Centre. Her focus is on social-emotional learning (SEL) and her goal is to embody a holistic approach when working with children and families. A fun fact about Alysha is that she is from Niagara Falls!

McKenna (she/her) graduated with her Master of Social Work from the University of Windsor and has had placements at both the Windsor-Essex Children's Aid Society and Regional Children's Centre. McKenna's research interests include children's mental health and promoting inclusive learning among elementary school students. McKenna is enthusiastic, compassionate, and resourceful. McKenna's goal for the Centre is to promote positive client outcomes using trauma-informed and culturally sensitive best practices. A fun fact about McKenna is that she has a Frenchie named Frankie!

As fall emerges, McKenna and Alysha continue to focus on the importance of growing as professionals and exhibiting the core values of the Windsor Essex Child and Youth Advocacy Centre.

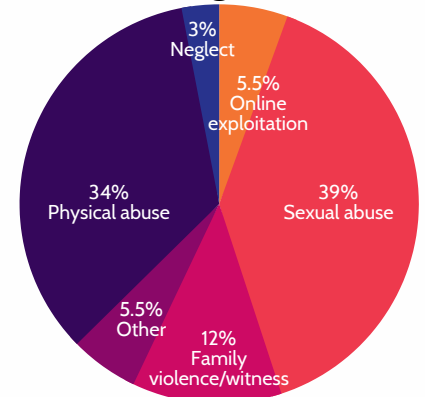
"Autumn leaves don't fall, they fly. They take their time and wander on this their only chance to soar"

Delia Owens

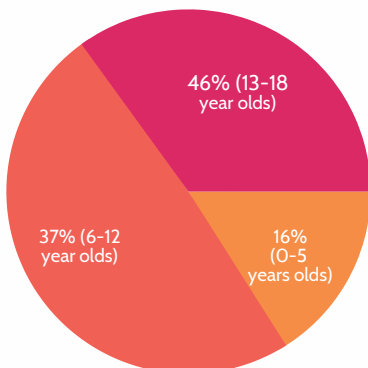
QUARTERLY STATISTICS (JULY - SEPTEMBER 2022)

184 new clients served in 2nd Quarter (July - September 2022)

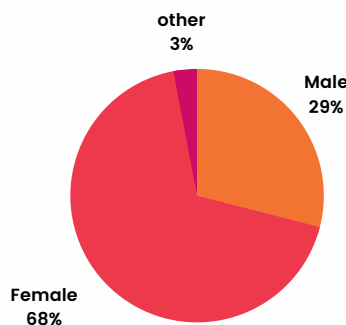
Types of alleged abuse



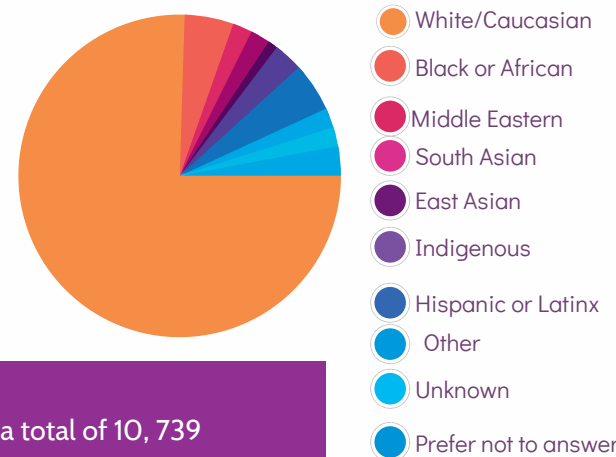
Age of child/youth victims served



Sex of child/youth victims served



Demographics of child/youth victims served



Did You Know?

Of police-reported data in Canada collected between 2014–2020, there were a total of 10,739 online sexual offenses against children and youth (Statistics Canada, 2020).

AWARENESS INITIATIVES



WECYAC thanks the community partners for their generous donations



On September 30th we observed the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation by reflecting on and learning the rich culture, experiences, and stories of our Indigenous people.

Congratulations to our First Annual Giveaway winners

- Home depot Gift Card- Ashley Iles
- Aero Sport Gift Card - Mackenzie Walker
- Cineplex Gift Card - Sara Harper

GIVEAWAY
3 PRIZES TO BE WON!

GIFT CARD TO HOME DEPOT

\$100 GIFT CARD TO AREOSPORTS

FAMILY OF 4 COUPONS TO CINEPLEX

READ CAPTION BELOW
GOOD LUCK!

Upcoming Events

October 27th is "Wear Purple Day" !

Help us raise awareness of the wellness and safety supports available to children and families in Windsor-Essex County!

#WearPurpleDay2022

2nd Annual Giving Campaign 2022!
November 28 - December 30
#OnlyOnce

Make a donation to our organization to support the children of Windsor Essex County.



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