**Reserve Your Spot for Hands & Hearts Today**  
The 14th Annual Hands & Hearts fundraising luncheon is just a few weeks away! Be sure to RSVP to your Table Captain or directly to Jodana Borden at 405-364-1420 or jborden@ccfinorman.org. We can’t wait to see you there!  

**Important Reminder:**  
Our offices will be closed on Friday, April 20th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. for the luncheon. Boys & Girls Club of Norman will also be canceled that day.

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**CCFI Hosts 4-Day Trauma Training**  
Last month, CCFI was honored to host a complex trauma training featuring trauma-specialty psychotherapist Dr. Joseph Spinazzola. With his guidance and expertise, therapists, social workers, and various community partners from across the state joined together to gain a deeper understanding of the impact of complex trauma on the mental, physical and emotional development of our children and youth.
This 4-part series was held at the JD McCarty Conference Center and specifically focused on the Complexity of Adaptation to Trauma, the Attachment, Regulation, and Competency (ARC) treatment framework and the Transformative Power of Action, or better known as Trauma Drama. In addition to these lectures, we also hosted an appreciation reception at Benvenuti’s Ristorante where Dr. Spinazzola shared his knowledge on the impact of childhood trauma and the importance of our agency’s work.

We would like to give a very special thank you to long-time agency supporters Anne & Alan Brinkley and JJ & Tony Waggoner for helping make this training possible.

We’d also like to thank Drew Bernard Productions for donating creative services to produce a training video featuring our guest speaker.

Two Outstanding Youth Receive Coveted Youth of the Year Award
We are pleased to announce the 2018 Boys & Girls Club of Norman Youth of the Year recipients: Holden and Melody. These remarkable individuals were chosen because of their exemplary behavior, positive attitudes and leadership within the Club. As Youth of the Year winners, each member will receive recognition at CCFI’s annual Hands & Hearts luncheon to be held on April 20, 2018, and go shopping for new attire to wear to the luncheon. Help us congratulate Holden and Melody on this outstanding accomplishment!

Rivermont Retirement Community Holds Fundraiser for CCFI
We would like to give a HUGE thank you to Rivermont Retirement Community and The Rivermont Golden Tones Choir for donating funds from their recent Valentine’s Day fundraiser to benefit our agency. The choir, which is composed of 10 Rivermont residents, delivered singing valentines as a way to give back to the community.

Residents thoroughly enjoyed the door-to-door singing and were pleased to help CCFI in the process. We are grateful for Rivermont’s generosity and look forward to a continued partnership!
Service Spotlight: Divorce and Co-Parenting Supervised Visitations
Through our Divorce and Co-Parenting program, we provide support and education for parents going through a divorce, separation or guardianship cases. Our wide-variety of services aim to reduce childhood stress and strengthen parent-child relationships. One of the ways we support parents is by offering supervised visitations.

During a supervised visit, the non-custodial parent has a limited time to engage with their child under the direct supervision of CCFI staff. These visits, which take place in-house, are not only healthy for the parent-child relationship, but they also help ease tensions between parents.

![Image of a family during a supervised visit]

Once a client progresses through these visits successfully, they are then able to move to supervised exchanges. A supervised exchange schedule helps the child and non-custodial parent create autonomy in their relationship before moving to supervised overnight exchanges.

![Image of children and a volunteer at a Boys & Girls Club]

Through this entire process, which can take several months to complete, children become more accustomed to their Mother/Father and begin to feel a sense of comfort with them. Our ultimate goal is to have every child feel safe nurtured and loved, and this is just one way in which we make that happen.

Boys & Girls Club of Norman Seeking Summer Volunteers
We are searching for friendly, outgoing individuals to serve as volunteers during the month of June for the Boys & Girls Club of Norman Summer Program. Programming will run Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., June 4th – 29th.

If you would like to join our team as a volunteer, please contact Melanie Hetherington at 405-364-1420 or mhetherington@ccfinorman.org.

Learn More

*Must be 18 or older to volunteer in direct services with children at CCFI. Younger children can volunteer with adult supervision in specific assignments. All volunteers must pass a background check and complete training.
April is
Child Abuse Prevention Month

Together, we can PREVENT child abuse.

Thank You to Our Recent In-Kind Donors
Amy McNabb, AWHONN Oklahoma SC Chapter, Drew Bernard, Emily Ritchie, First Baptist Church, Helen Green, James Ross, JJ Waggoner, Mion Hill, Pumpkin Shell School, Rachelle Cook, Sara Wilson, Talia Herndon, West Wind Unitarian Universalist Congregation and the Women’s Resource Center.

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