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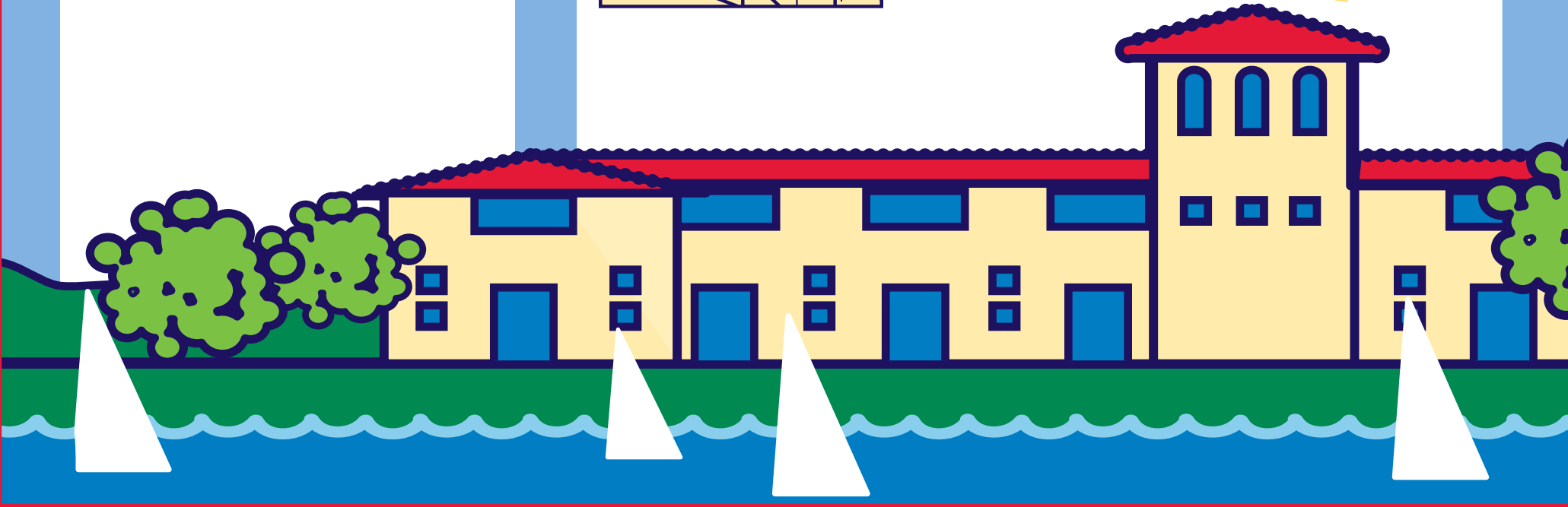
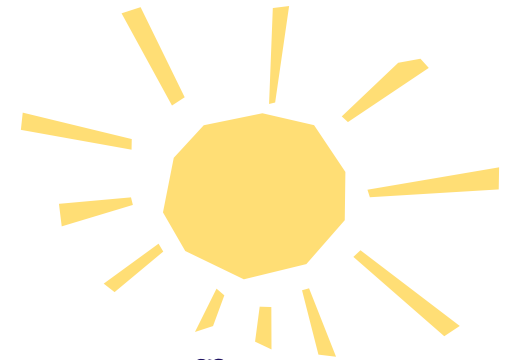
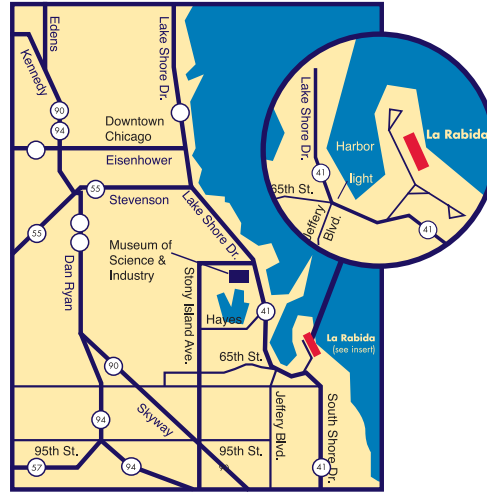
Joli Burrell Children's Advocacy Center

For Victims of Abuse and Trauma

The La Rabida Joli Burrell Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) is a safe and child friendly environment for alleged sexual abuse victims and children who have experienced psychological trauma.

The CAC provides investigative, therapeutic and support services to children and their families throughout the south suburbs of Cook County.

Just minutes south of downtown.
Accessible by CTA bus #67



Investigative Services

The CAC reduces the level of distress experienced by children during the investigation of alleged sexual abuse. We do this by coordinating Victim Sensitive Interviews (VSIs), child-friendly interviews conducted by professionals with training in child mental health and forensic interviewing. To reduce the number of times a child is interviewed, VSIs are observed by professionals from law enforcement, child protective services and the State's Attorney's Office. Referrals for VSIs are made by police and child protection investigators.

Therapeutic Services

The CAC offers personalized, high-quality clinical services provided by licensed clinical psychologists, licensed social workers and psychology trainees. All clinical staff have expertise in child abuse and trauma. Specialized therapeutic services provided at the CAC include trauma-focused and abuse-focused assessment and psychotherapy, and psychotherapy for young children with sexual behavior problems. In addition to serving sexually abused children, the center provides services to children who have experienced the full range of potentially traumatic events, including:

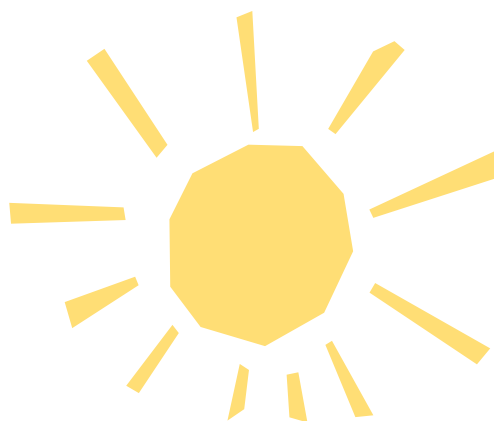
- Severe Physical Abuse
- Burns
- Fires
- Violent Crime
- Dog Attacks
- Motor Vehicle Accidents

- Torture
- Witnessing Homicide
- Witnessing Rape
- Witnessing Domestic Violence
- Witnessing Community Violence
- Loss Through Violent Death and Traumatic Bereavement

Support Services

In addition to individual services for children exposed to trauma, the CAC offers an array of specialized support services to children and their families. These include:

- Case Management
- Referral and Linkage Services
- Legal Advocacy, Court Preparation and Court Accompaniment
- Systems Advocacy



For further information about the services available at the CAC or to make a referral for therapeutic or supportive services, please contact us.

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To report suspected child abuse, please call the Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25ABUSE (252-2873).