



Board of Public Works and Safety

Agenda Item

Cover Sheet

MEETING DATE: June 11, 2024

- ☐ Consent Agenda Item
- ☒ New Item for Discussion
- ☐ Previously Discussed Item
- ☐ Miscellaneous

ITEM #: 2

INITIATED BY: Deputy Chief Jason Voyak

- ☒ Information Attached
- ☐ Bring Paperwork from Previous Meeting
- ☐ Verbal
- ☐ No Paperwork at Time of Packets



Date: May 8, 2024

To: Mayor Chris Jensen

Re: Under \$50,00 Mayor Approval Request – Cherish Child Advocacy Center Funding

Mayor Jensen,

This request is to seek your authorization for payment to the Cherish Child Advocacy Center in the amount of \$30,000. This funding provides ongoing financial support to the Cherish Center for their work in conducting child victim forensic interviews, abuse intervention and prevention services, therapy sessions, and outside referral services to the Noblesville community.

Over the last 20 years, NPD has partnered with the Cherish Center as we investigate child abuse related cases. During our longstanding relationship with the Cherish Center, NPD has accounted for approximately 33% of the cases that the Cherish Center handles. Cherish does not charge for its services, so the funding Noblesville provides helps to offset the costs associated with their highly specialized and labor-intensive services.

Included with this request are both the invoice provided by Cherish, as well as the verification that the funds have been included in the 2024 NPD operational budget. Thank you in advance for your consideration with this request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Voyak", is written over a horizontal line.

Jason Voyak

Deputy Chief of Police

(317) 776-6340 Ext. 1221

jvoyak@noblesville.in.gov

NOBLESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Child Advocacy, Abuse Intervention & Prevention

Noblesville

Partnership Summary Report

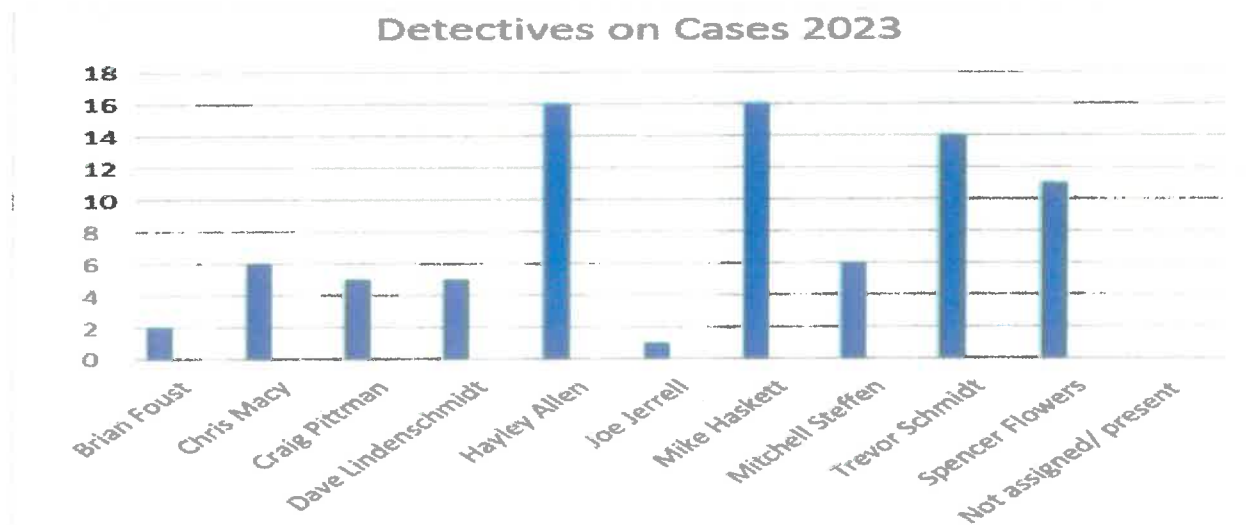
Summary

January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

Noblesville Police Department is a working partner (MDT Agreement Contract) with Cherish Center, the Child Advocacy Center contracted to serve Hamilton County. Noblesville Police Department utilize Cherish and the MDT team investigative process in more than 21% of all cases served in Hamilton County. In 2023 Noblesville was partnered with Cherish to serve:

- 89 Cases coordinated by/conducted at Cherish for investigation. Up 20% from 2022.
- 9 Noblesville families received more than 180 sessions of Mental Health services in the form of Trauma Therapy at no cost to the families totaling over \$21,000.
- 63 Referrals to Prevail Victim Services
- 87 referrals (case management) to other services based on needs identified by NPD and Family at Cherish (housing, victim services, food, support services...)

Noblesville Police Department Statistics



2023 Total Child Cases = 89

Brian Foust- 2	Craig Pittman – 5	Dave Lindenschmidt - 5
Mitchell Steffen - 6	Chris Macy- 6	Spencer Flowers - 11
Trevor Schmidt - 14	Mike Haskett - 16	Hayley Allen – 16

2023 Cost of Services Provided to/for Noblesville

Investigation Services (facility, professional trained staff, equipment, etc.)	\$142,2000
Therapy Sessions for Victims of Noblesville (180 sessions at \$120 each)	\$ 21,600
40 Case Management services following forensic interview	\$ 26,875
Court Expert Witness / Forensic Interview Witness (4 at approximately \$780)	\$ 3,120
Total = \$193,795	

Expanding in 2024:

ENDANGERED ADULTS / SPECIAL VICTIMS

Cherish and the Hamilton County Special Victims Team have been actively working cases for Endangered Adults with Adult Protective Services, the Indiana State Guardian Program, the Hamilton County LEA Fraud Task Force, the area municipalities Social Workers and Personal Crimes units and the Prosecutors office. The MDT for the SVT meets monthly to discuss cases and build the states only Endangered Adults MDT. Since 2022 we have become a central facilitator of resources and leads for adult cases that otherwise would have been dropped.

The SVT continues to grow with a goal of partnering the existing agencies that serve Endangered Adults, law enforcement, and the justice system to provide a better life outcome in safe environments, free from abuse and extortion.

PREVENTION FOR CHILDREN AND ENDANGERED ADULTS

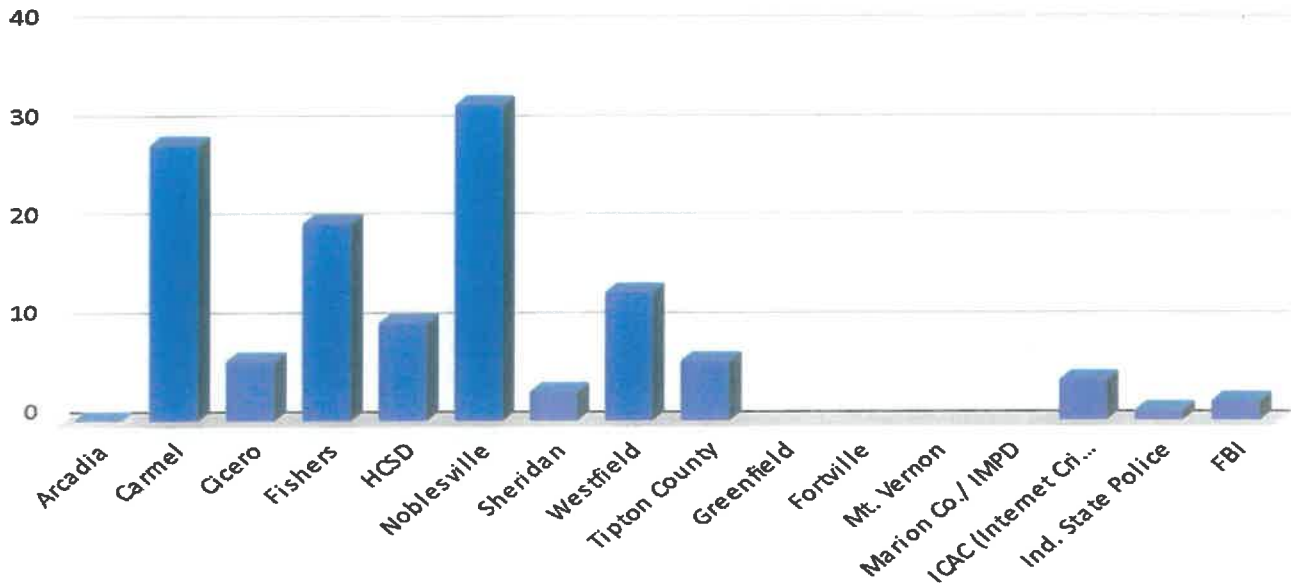
As part of the National Accreditation requirements Cherish continues to grow our prevention and education effort in conjunction with the existing evidence-based programing, the school requirements, and the Department of Justice protocol. Cherish is growing our efforts to reach the most at risk populations in our community—at risk children and endangered adults.

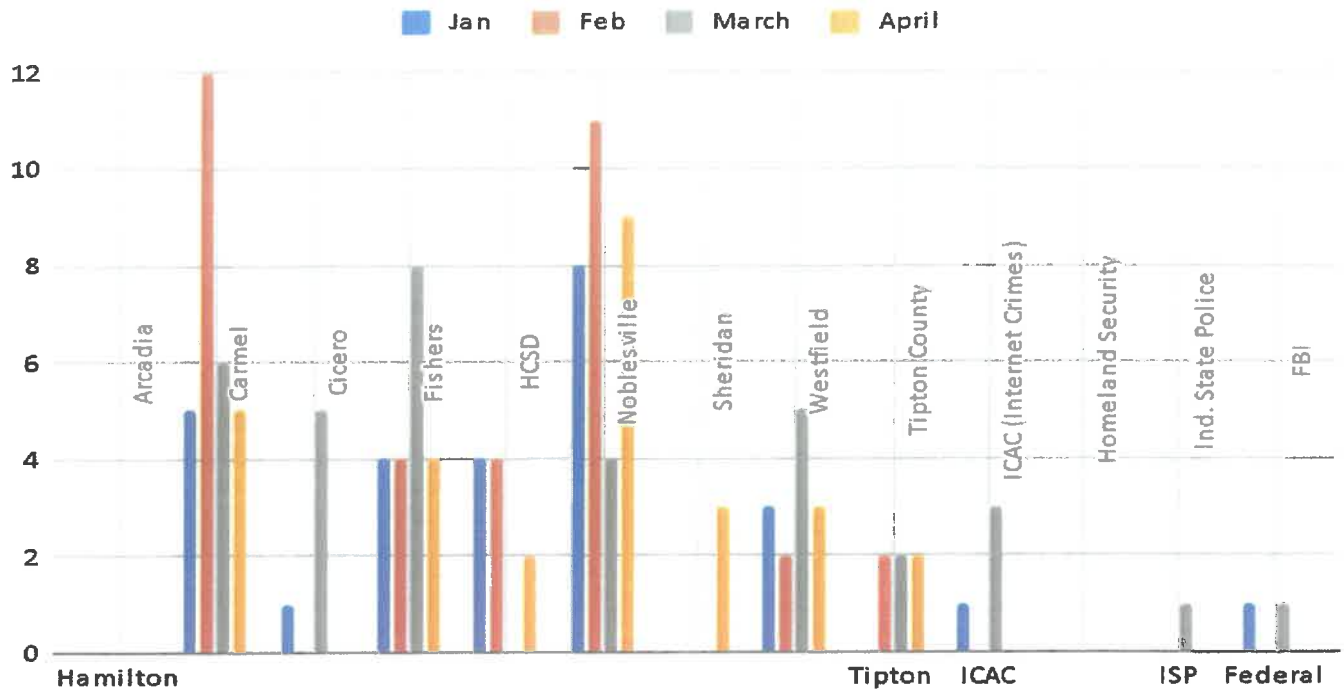
CHERISH TO RELOCATE

Cherish is currently in the process of finding a new location to house Advocates for Children and Families Inc. and Cherish Child Advocacy Center. A grant from the Lilly Endowment has allowed us to update our equipment, build an ADA compliant facility and support greater safety of our families while at Cherish. The intent was to do so at our current location, but circumstances has required us to relocate. We will keep all our partners up to date on the timeline and the great things to come.

2024 statistics to date:

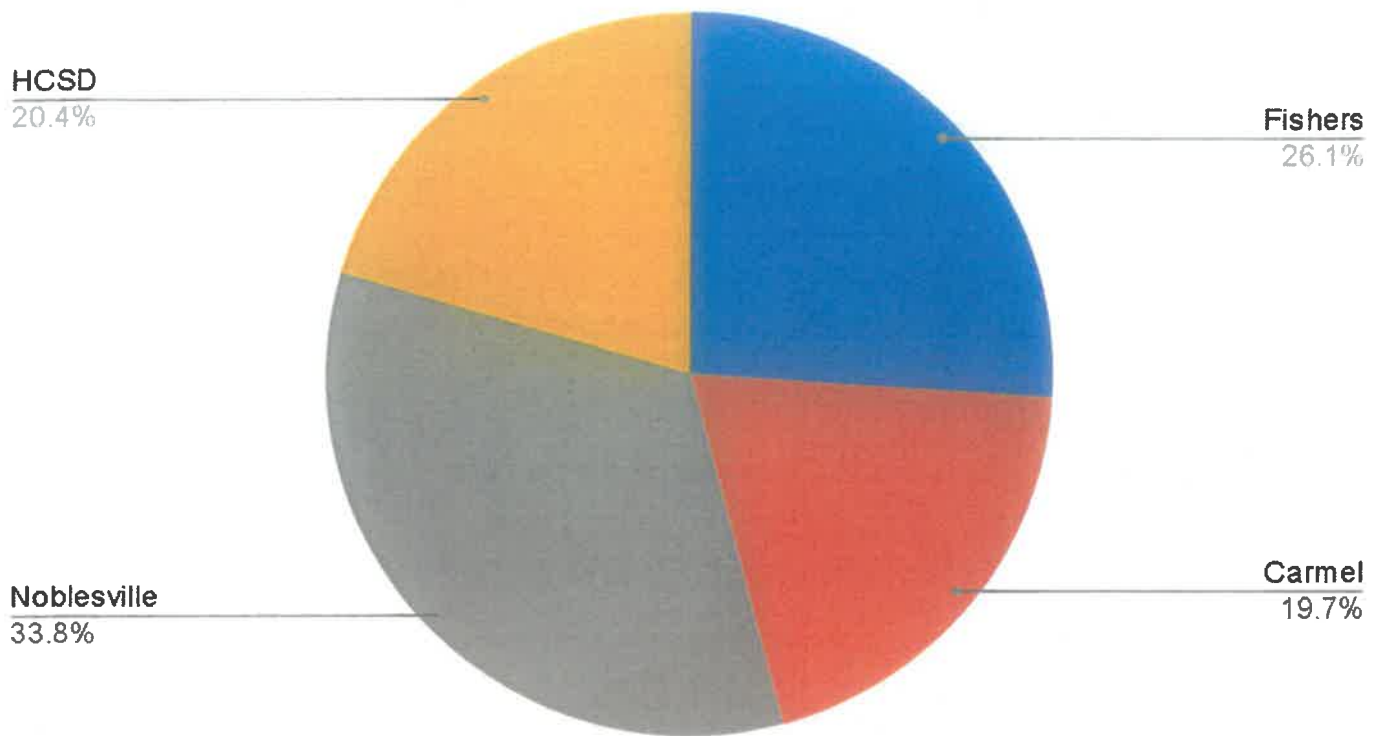
Jurisdiction Forensic Interviews Jan - April 2024



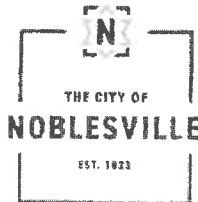


Historical

2001 -2023



Historically Noblesville covered the highest number of child investigation cases and support services since 2001 at over 1,600 families served (1,645 to date as of 5/3/2024). In 2023 Fishers had the highest number of cases utilizing Cherish and the MDT of all county agencies. Fishers has always led the way in utilizing the Department of Justice and National best practices model of Multidisciplinary Teams at Child Advocacy Center to initialize a child victim and special needs victim investigation.



FINANCE & ACCOUNTING

Funding Verification/Encumbrance Request Form

Date to be submitted to BoW/Park Board: 6/11/2024 (put N/A if not submitting to BoW/Park Board)Vendor name: Cherish Child Advocacy CenterVendor Address: 3942 15570 Stony Creek Way, Noblesville, IN 46060Brief description of purchase: Child Forensic Interview and Advocacy Support Funding

Source of Funding:

- ☒ Current Year Operational Budget
☐ Subsequent Year Operational Budget¹
☐ Funding not yet finalized (attach explanation)²
☐ Loan or debt proceeds
☐ Non-Appropriated Fund³

Fund #	101
Department #	004
Project # (NA if no project #)	N/A
Expense Object #	Amount
#1	310.100 \$ 30,000.00
#2	
#3	

1) This option may only be selected AFTER the adoption of the subsequent year budget. OFA will create a PO after the start of the next year. If contract details change in between form submission and the start of the year, contact OFA Staff.

2) This option may only be selected in unusual circumstances. An additional FVF will need to be submitted to OFA once funding source has been determined. OFA will not create a PO until this follow-up form has been submitted.

3) These funds are not appropriated through the annual budget process. They include but are not limited to grant funds and impact fee funds.

Are you requesting that a Purchase Order (PO) be created for this expenditure?

- ☒ Yes Select for all purchases/contracts that will not be paid immediately
☐ No Select ONLY if department plans to initiate payment immediately

Additional Comments: _____

The Department certifies that sufficient appropriation authority exists in the stated fund and expense series to obligate the expense for future payment.

Department Director

Brad Arnold
(Signature)

Brad Arnold

(Printed Name)

5/13/2024

(Date)

Please email completed form to OFAbudget@noblesville.in.gov

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OFA Action Taken

- ☒ Purchase Order Created
☐ Reviewed Availability of funds (Contract/Purchase of over \$50k or paid with debt proceeds only)
OFA Signature Caitlin Moss
☐ No Action Taken (Department should still include this form in purchase/contract approval submission)

PO # (if applicable) 240202

Comments: _____

Initials: HTDate: 5/14/24

Cherish Child Advocacy Center
15570 Stony Creek Way
Noblesville, IN 46060

wendy@cherishcac.org
(317) 773-3275
www.cherishcac.org



#	Product or service	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.	Child Public Service -Forensic Interview and Advocacy	Noblesville Annual Support	1	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00

Total **\$30,000.00**

Note to customer

Thank you for your ongoing support of CHERISH Child Advocacy Center! We can not continue providing the services we do without your support!

PURCHASE ORDER
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
16 SOUTH 10TH STREET STE 270

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INDIANA RETAIL TAX EXEMPT
CERTIFICATE NO. 0031216070010

FEDERAL EXCISE TAX EXEMPT
356001141

NOBLESVILLE IN 46060
PHONE: 317-776-6328
FAX: 317-776-6369

PURCHASE ORDER NO. 240202

THIS NUMBER MUST APPEAR ON INVOICES, A/P
VOUCHER, DELIVERY MEMO, PACKING SLIPS,
SHIPPING LABELS AND ANY CORRESPONDENCE.

SHIP TO:**TO**

VENDOR # 3942
CHERISH CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
15570 STONY CREEK WAY
NOBLESVILLE IN 46060

ATTN:

DATE		DEPARTMENT		SHIP TO ARRIVE BY		
05/14/2024		POLICE				
APPROPRIATION NUMBER	QUANTITY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	PROJECT #	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
101004310.100	1.0		CHILD FORENSIC INTERVIEW & ADVOCACY		30000.00	30000.00

	SHIP VIA	TOTAL
		30000.00

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

- * SHIP PREPAID
- * C.O.D. SHIPMENTS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED
- * PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER MUST APPEAR ON ALL SHIPPING LABELS.
- * THIS ORDER ISSUED IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 99, ACTS 1945 AND ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF AND SUPPLEMENTAL THERETO.

PAYMENT

- * A/P VOUCHER CANNOT BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT UNLESS THE P.O. NUMBER IS MADE A PART OF THE VOUCHER AND EVERY INVOICE AND VOUCHER HAS THE PROPER SWORN AFFIDAVIT ATTACHED.
- * I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THERE IS AN UNOBLIGATED BALANCE IN THIS APPROPRIATION SUFFICIENT TO PAY FOR THE ABOVE ORDER.

ORDERED BY

TITLE

CONTROLLER

ORIGINAL - VENDOR'S COPY