

OUR HISTORY

Shelby County Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) was founded in 1993 by the District Attorney, Robert Owens Jr., along with the Department of Human Resources, Law Enforcement Personnel, and Shelby County community members in response to child abuse in the area.

Owens House supports families through the whole process from disclosure to justice, all free of charge.

WHO WE ARE

Owens House is the Children's Advocacy Center serving children and families in Shelby County, Alabama. Our office is a house just like any other, committed to providing a place of refuge and opportunities for justice and healing to the children we serve.

SERVICES

Forensic Interviews
Family Advocacy
Trauma-Informed Therapy
Community Education
Multidisciplinary Team Training

OUR MISSION IS TO
PROTECT AND
STRENGTHEN CHILDREN
AND FAMILIES WITHIN
SHELBY COUNTY WHO
HAVE EXPERIENCED CHILD
ABUSE AND TRAUMA.

SCAN TO VISIT
OUR LINKTREE



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CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION & AWARENESS



Yearly Prayer Guide

July 2026 -
June 2027

In 2003, our partner base expanded to include professionals in fields essential to the investigation process of cases involving child abuse or neglect, creating a multidisciplinary team. Owens House oversees the multidisciplinary team for Shelby County. The MDT includes law enforcement officers, the Department of Human Resources, mental health professionals, prosecutors, and medical professionals. The MDT meets monthly to discuss current cases and ensure that each child and family receives comprehensive, well-informed care. Please refer to the guide for specific ways to pray for each portion of the Shelby County Multidisciplinary Team.

JULY

Juvenile Probation Office

Pray for the staff of the juvenile probation office, that God would grant them diligence and accountability as they work to support, redirect, and care for youth and families in their community.

AUGUST

Teachers & School Staff

Pray for teachers and school staff, that God would grant them attentiveness, encouragement, and understanding as they support and care for children.

SEPTEMBER

Medical Providers

Pray for medical professionals that God would grant them skill, tenderness, and resolve as they care for and treat children affected by abuse.

OCTOBER

Partner Agencies

Pray for partner agencies such as SafeHouse and CASA, that God would grant them unity, adaptability, and steadfast commitment as they work together to support and advocate for children impacted by abuse.

NOVEMBER

Foster Parents & Families

Pray for foster parents and families, that God would grant them patience, compassion, encouragement, and unwavering love as they open their homes and hearts to children in need of care and stability.

DECEMBER

Families facing separation as a result of abuse this holiday season

Pray for families impacted by abuse this holiday season, that God would bring comfort, peace, and hope to each member, surrounding them with His presence and guiding them toward restoration and support.

JANUARY

The Shelby County Children's Advocacy Center, Owens House

Pray for the staff at Owens House, that God would bless them with strength and resilience.

FEBRUARY

District Attorney's Office

Pray for the staff of the District Attorney's Office, that God would grant them wisdom, integrity, and discernment as they pursue justice and faithfully serve their community.

MARCH

Shelby County Department of Human Resources

Pray for the staff of the Shelby County Department of Human Resources, that God would grant them clarity, perseverance, and empathy as they care for and support individuals and families in their community.

APRIL

Child Abuse Victims

Pray for child abuse victims, that God would surround them with safety, healing, comfort.

MAY

Mental Health Professionals

Pray for mental health professionals that God would grant them compassion, patience, and resilience as they support and care for children impacted by abuse.

JUNE

Law Enforcement

Pray for investigators and detectives working child abuse cases, that God would grant them vigilance, integrity, and fortitude as they seek truth, protect the vulnerable, and pursue justice with care and diligence.