

# Mission Statement

### BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE

(B.A.C.A.) exists with the intent to create a safer environment for abused children. We exist as a body of bikers to empower children to not feel afraid of the world in which they live. We stand ready to

lend support to our wounded friends by involving them with an established, united organization. We work in conjunction with local and state officials who are already in place to protect children. We desire to send a clear message to all involved with the abused child that this child is part of our organization, and that we are prepared to lend our physical and emotional support to them by affiliation, and our physical presence. We stand at the ready to shield these children from further abuse. We do not condone the use of violence or physical force in any manner, however, if circumstances arise such that we are the only obstacle preventing a child from further abuse, we stand ready to be that obstacle.





- Founder
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Registered Play Therapist
- 1995 in Provo, UT
- Now an International Organization













### All Committed Volunteers

- No Paid Employees
- Background Checked
- 1 Year Minimum to be Eligible for Patch

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- Sponsor
- Training
- Riding
- Patch = Primary to a Child

Available 24/7/365 to Child



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- B.A.C.A. is not...
  - -A vigilante organization
  - -A mentor program
- A big brother or big sister organization
- No political affiliation
- Does not care about race, religion, or color
- No borders



## Mho Does B.A.C.A. Mork Mith?

- Narrow, Focused Mission
- Only Abused Children
- Focus on Child, not Adults
- Empower the Child!







- Interactions
  - Initial Contact
  - Level I
  - Follow up
  - Level II
  - Court





Amilial Contact

- Referral
- Verify information
- Initial Visit

# No Child Deserves to Live in Fear



<u>Level ()ne</u>

- Ride to Child's Home
- Entire Chapter
- Primaries
- Empowerment Begins!







- Ride to Child's Home
- Primaries
- Shows Commitment









- 24/7
- Removes Fear
- Shows Commitment







- Often isolated and confused
- Single most empowering event
- Always a win!!



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Clinical Advisors

- Clinicians by trade
- Address clinical questions
- Debriefing / Destressing
- Semi annual training





Research

- Evaluation of **B.A.C.A**® Program
- Accepted for publication Aug 2017
- Journal Evaluation and Program Planning
- Investigators:
  - Dr. Dee Ray, Univ of North Texas, Denton
  - Dr. Nancy Gallina, Touro Univ, NY
  - Dr. Paula Maclan (Doc), Clinical Advisor

• **B.A.C.A**®. makes a "Statistically Significant Difference"





- 4 year time frame
- Participants 154 children in 16 states
- Ages ranged from 3-18 years old
- Decreases in
  - Emotional Stress
  - Conduct problems
  - Hyperactivity/Attentional Problems
  - Peer Problems

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June 28, 2016

RE: Bikers Against Child Abuse

### To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to share my experience with BACA as a prosecutor. I work almost exclusively with the 3 Rivers Chapter here in White County. I primarily prosecute child physical and sexual abuse cases. Before working here, I prosecuted in Lonoke County and worked with this same chapter there.

As a prosecutor, I keep a professional distance from the victims in my case so that I can perform my very specific job. I cannot be responsible for all of the necessary emotional support that a victim and her family needs. Yes, I make referrals to counseling and our Victim Witness Coordinators do provide services but I am not, by and large, involved in the day to day lives of the victims. Further, once the case is over I have to move on to the next one. Meanwhile, the victim and her family are left to their own devices. BACA fills that very important need. I can only say from my experience that BACA has been very helpful for the victims. They provide stability and support for a child and her family in one of the worst times in their lives. How can a child not feel better when a whole group of people comes out and says we are here for you and mean it? Even more importantly they are present for the entire process and even after the case is over during that transition period. In the cases where I cannot charge the defendant or I do not win at trial, they are still there to provide support for the inclid.

As a prosecutor I have benefitted from working with BACA because I know that our victims feel safer and are safer especially during court. They are not left alone whereas our victim witness coordinators are required to fill more than one role and manase multiple witnesses and processes. They have LISA MURKOWSKI ALASKA



United States Senate WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510 April 8, 2017

Zero President, Anchorage Alaska Chapter Bikers Against Child Abuse

### Dear Zero,

I wish to congratulate the B.A.C.A Anchorage Chapter Members and Supporters for being a recipient of the National Crime Victims' Rights Week Outstanding Service to Victims by an Organization Award. This is a tremendous honor, of which I am sure you are very proud.

Thank you on the behalf of your fellow Alaskans for your service to help aid, advocate and protect victims of abuse. You represent Alaska with great honor and integrity. Keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

Lisa Murkowski United States Senator ERSAGAT

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