**Multidisciplinary Team**

Our multidisciplinary team is comprised of representatives from the following organizations:

- Hays-Caldwell Women's Center (Roxanne’s House)
- Hays County District Attorney’s Office
- Hays County Sheriff’s Department
- Buda Police Department
- Kyle Police Department
- San Marcos Police Department
- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
- Texas Department of Family & Protective Services (CPS)
- Caldwell County District Attorney’s Office
- Caldwell County Sheriff’s Department
- Lockhart Police Department
- Luling Police Department
- Martindale Police Department

*We, as a team, will be neither passive nor tolerant of child abuse in our community.*

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**To Contact Us**

**HCWC**
P.O. Box 234, San Marcos, TX 78667-0234
(512) 396-3404

24 hour HELPline
(512) 396-HELP (4357)  facebook hcwc

www.hcwc.org
info@hcwc.org

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**Resources**

**In Case of Emergency**
Dial 9-1-1

The Texas Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline (CPS)
1-800-252-5400
Or
www.txabusehotline.org
We work to ensure that the rights of children and their specific needs are met as we strive to create the most effective community response to child abuse. It is our goal to prevent abuse and neglect of our children by leading the way in setting policy, offering community prevention programs and providing information about child abuse and neglect.

We will promote and provide opportunities which will allow children to grow to responsible adulthood, free of threats to their dignity, safety, and well-being. Our goal is to create an environment where child abuse is no longer tolerated in the communities we serve.

Roxanne’s House is a child friendly facility where abused children come to heal. Our multidisciplinary teams work together to ensure cooperation in our community’s response to child abuse, so that the path through the workings of law enforcement, the legal system and state agencies runs smoothly.

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<td>• <strong>DVD-recording of forensic interviews</strong> <em>(interviews can only be arranged by referral from law enforcement or Child Protective Services).</em></td>
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<td>• <strong>Family advocacy</strong> to provide protective caregivers with crisis intervention, ongoing case management and follow-up services.</td>
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**Play Therapy** is based on the fact that play is the child’s natural medium of self-expression. Even though young children often lack the ability to verbalize their feelings, frustrations, and personal problems, they can demonstrate these things to the therapist as they “play out” their feelings in an understanding and caring relationship.

**Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy** (TF-CBT) helps children and caregivers work on learning new skills to manage thoughts, feelings and behaviors related to the experienced trauma.

**Sand Tray Therapy** allows child victims to communicate and process their trauma experiences using sand and miniatures to portray their inner struggles.

**Art Therapy** encourages the child victims to express themselves through painting, drawing, sculpting or other creative mediums.

*The most healing thing parents and other adults can do for children who are crime victims is to make sure they know that what happened was not their fault, and that they are believed.*