The question was “tell me why you do the work that we do here at the CAC”?

Throughout the past 10 years of working at the CAC, there have been soaring highs and rock bottom lows. The true rewards of the job come from those opportunities to see justice done for a child and to see the outcome of therapy in the children and the families. And, it’s the smallest of things that light up my week. Just this week, while doing therapy watch, a child with whom I was playing turned from the doll house and simply said “I feel safe here” and returned to her play. That’s why I do what I do. – *Judy Powell, Program Director*

Children tell me things that no child should have to say or experience.

Therefore I want to make sure I do the best I can at my job so that eventually

the child can receive the Justice that they deserve. *- Terri Sanchez, Forensic Interviewer*

To provide children with safety knowledge so they can protect themselves from abuse. To protect themselves from strangers and especially Tricky People. Well over 90% of the people that hurt our children are the ones that they know, love and trust. To provide a sense of safety and security to an abused child so they can tell in their own words what happened to them. Once an abused child has that empowerment they can tell their story and the healing process begins. *- John Wuerflein, Community Education Coordinator/Forensic Interviewer*

Making sure that children are safe, feel believed, and have an opportunity to see justice is the reason I dedicate my work at the Children’s Advocacy Center. The work that we do is very unique and we deal with the children and families when they are in crisis. I strive to have staff who are compassionate and passionate about our mission. The way that we work closely with our partner agencies who care about the children the way we do is something that inspires me to continue this work. *– Carmen Aguirre, Executive Director*