

Tell us about the reason you are nominating this organization. What makes it special to you?
Give us your story!

Montgomery Child Advocacy Project is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization operating in Norristown, PA. MCAP provides free legal services to children who have been abused, neglected or trafficked in Montgomery County. Since our founding in 2004, we have provided these lifesaving services to over 9,000 children in Montgomery County. We represent children in all legal arenas including: Criminal court, custody & dependency, Protection from abuse (PFA), juvenile court, adoptions, and termination of parental rights cases. Our MCAP attorneys represent the child from the first meeting all the way through their entire case in the justice system. We also provide training to doctors, dentists, educators, and other professions about the warning signs of child abuse and how to report it. We work in conjunction with police, the District Attorney's office and the Judicial Bench in Montgomery County to achieve the best outcome for abused children.

We have an in-house staff of 8 and have over 50 lawyers throughout the county who volunteer their time as MCAP attorneys. COVID-19 hit all non-profit organizations hard and MACP was no different. Prior to the pandemic, MCAP had 138 pro-bono attorneys; today that number is down to 50. We are always recruiting for new attorneys and we are committed that none of the children we represent will fall through the cracks. Our mission is to give voice to the voiceless, the most vulnerable of our society.

I have been a member of the Norristown Bocce League for 7 years and have met so many wonderful people. Besides the friendship and camaraderie, what I like most about NBL is its commitment to give back to the community. I've participated in the cancer tournament and have told many people about how great NBL is. I am currently the Deputy Director of MCAP and am nominating MCAP for this year's recipient of the fund raising tournament. I was a Montgomery County Detective for 26 years and worked primarily child abuse cases. The work we do at MCAP is such an integral part of helping child victims become survivors.

Thank you for your consideration.