



# ST. CLOUD AREA CHILD RESPONSE INITIATIVE

## Responding to the Needs of Children in Crisis

### Mission

The mission of the **St. Cloud Area Child Response Initiative (CRI)** is to **provide early intervention** to children and families after a traumatic incident; **inform adults and children** about trauma and its impact on child development; and **connect children and families** to trauma informed care services.

### CRI Partners

- Central MN Mental Health Center
- St. Cloud, Waite Park and Sartell Law Enforcement Agencies
- Stearns, Benton and Sherburne Counties
- Anna Marie's Alliance
- Village Family Services
- Lutheran Social Services
- Caritas-Catholic Charities
- Ken Hanna
- Creative Connections
- True Balance Counseling
- Medway Services
- Northwest Counseling
- Ellison Center

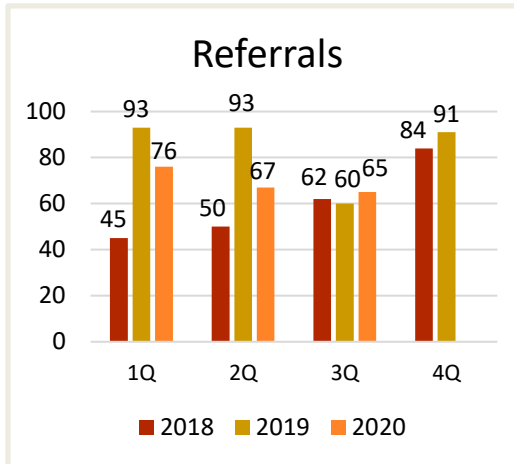
### St. Cloud Area CRI

St. Cloud Police Department  
101 11th AveN  
St. Cloud, MN 56303

### Trauma Advocate:

Paige McConkey  
Phone: (320) 247-3701

### St. Cloud Area CRI Impact

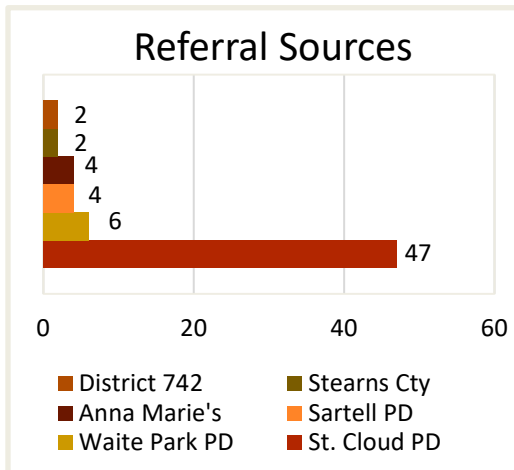


In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2020, CRI received **65** referrals, involving **87** children.

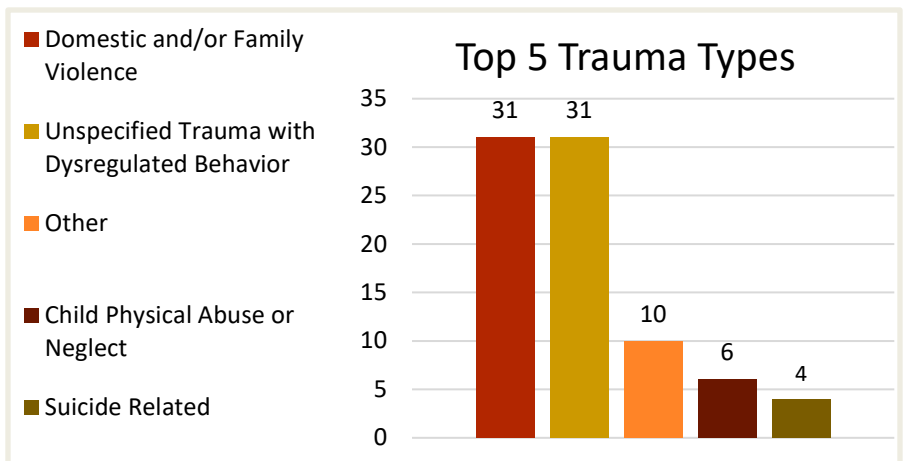
Since inception in April 2014, CRI has served **2,157 children**.

### Referrals were received by Trauma Advocate:

- Less than 24 hours – **55**
- Less than 48 hours – **4**
- More than 48 hours – **6**

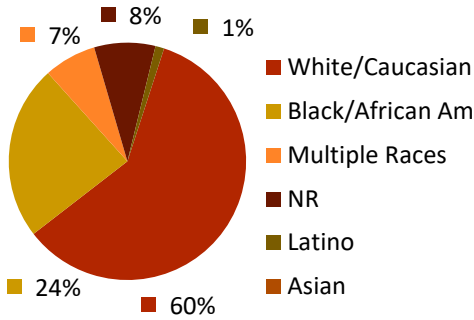


Of the referrals received, Child Protective Services was involved with **24** children. In addition, there were **31** repeat clients.

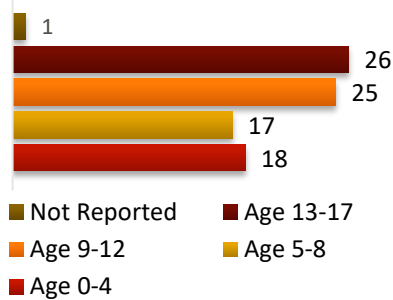


Population Demographics

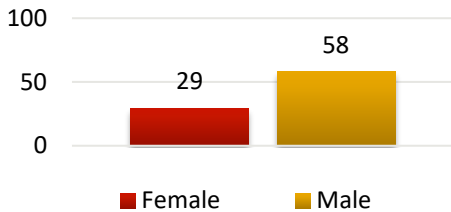
Race/Ethnicity



Age



Gender



COLLABORATION SUCCESS STORY

Trauma Informed Advocate, Paige McConkey has been working with a single parent and her teenage daughter for several months. The family was initially referred to CRI by law enforcement. The teen currently has a Social Worker through Stearns County.

The mother and daughter are of Somali descent. There are older siblings who currently are living overseas. The teen has experienced significant trauma. She self-harms and has chronic suicidal ideation. She exhibits anger and dysregulated behaviors. The mother currently works night shifts and is fearful to leave her daughter home alone.

In addition to CRI and Stearns County, the following persons/organizations are involved in putting together a strategy and plan to assist the family: District 742 School Counselor & Interpreter Services, Medway Support Services, and case management through the Central MN Mental Health Center (CMMHC).

The collaboration is working towards getting a PCA to provide care while the mother is at work. They are committed to providing all the crisis services and resources that are available to the family. By working together, they can each bring a resource to the table that would not happen if they were working alone.

*\* Story has been adapted to protect identity of the family/individuals.*

OUTCOMES

