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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:



As the presidency passes to Stacie LeBlanc, I am pleased with the steady progress and resilience that APSAC members, leadership, and staff have shown during the recent COVID-19 crisis, as well as with the productivity of APSAC during the past year! Among the year's highlights are:

- This spring, APSAC launched the new online training course, Child Abuse 101, sponsored by The New York Foundling.
- APSAC's strong support of National Initiative to End Corporal Punishment continues.
- APSAC participated in a Global Summit on Psychological Maltreatment last October and continues training virtually during COVID-19.
- APSAC's Policy Center continues its productivity and is preparing to address new topics.
- Membership continues to grow.
- APSAC's Amicus Committee continues to address important cases and issues.
- APSAC joined the National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse (NHCVA.org) and led its effort to post a statement and to recruit organizations to express concern and offer assistance to help improve care for immigrant children apprehended at the southern border and held in federal custody.
- APSAC joined AVA, CAPSAC, and the Center for Innovation and Resources to submit a proposal to California's ACEs Aware RFPs for training Medi-Cal providers to integrate ACEs awareness into care for their patients.
- APSAC produced a number of webinar and web chats addressing the needs of professionals working in the child maltreatment field during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- APSAC's June 2019 Colloquium was a great success! It demonstrated that APSAC can partner with state agencies to enhance training for frontline state workers, and it contributed to recent developments in Utah, where Utah's Essentials for Childhood program and Utah's Coalition for Protecting Childhood are planning and to implement "No Hit Zones" throughout Utah state offices!

The ongoing support from the Institute for Human Services and The New York Foundling's Vincent J. Fontana Center for Child Protection, APSAC's dedicated volunteers, hard-working Board members, and excellent staff have accomplished all this! All deserve acknowledgement and our gratitude.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as APSAC's president. Supporting your efforts to protect children and promote their health, safety, and the success of families has been an honor and privilege!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "David L. Corwin, MD". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

APSAC ended 2019 on an extremely high note, both programmatically and financially. We had no way of knowing how important this would be as we respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Along with our traditional activities of advocacy and professional education, APSAC took its first steps toward developing materials for parents and the public. With the support of the National Initiative to End Corporal Punishment, APSAC President-Elect Stacie LeBlanc convened a panel of experts and developed parent tool kits to reinforce the importance of No-Hit Zones. The family of Ryan Morey, a former intern of Stacie's who became a forensic interviewer before tragically losing his life at age 23, will help underwrite this project through a donation to APSAC. A State Department grant also allowed APSAC to help develop sexual abuse prevention materials for parents and educators in Pakistan.



But we also stepped up our services to professionals—our core constituency. APSAC is particularly pleased that YAPSAC (the Y stands for Young!) is serving early career professionals seeking to build meaningful careers in child maltreatment. The 26th APSAC Colloquium in Salt Lake City featured special tracks for Utah state employees, enabling us to live our motto of "strengthening practice through knowledge" to even more people! With our partner, The New York Foundling:

- APSAC qualified to grant continuing education credits for social workers and psychologists.
- APSAC Forensic Interviewing Clinics reached more than twice times as many people as we reached in 2018.
- APSAC advocacy activities led to 3 amicus briefs and 3 policy papers.

When the world changed in March 2020, APSAC had the foundation in place to move quickly. Our popular Zoom Chat series has reached more than 3,000 people so far, and the series will continue. In the first five months of 2020 we have produced four special editions of the APSAC Alert, more than in all of 2019.

APSAC thanks each of you for the interest, participation, and support that helped 2019 to be such an unqualified success. We are counting on you to stay with us as we continue to face the unprecedented challenges of 2020.

Sincerely,

Janet Rosenzweig

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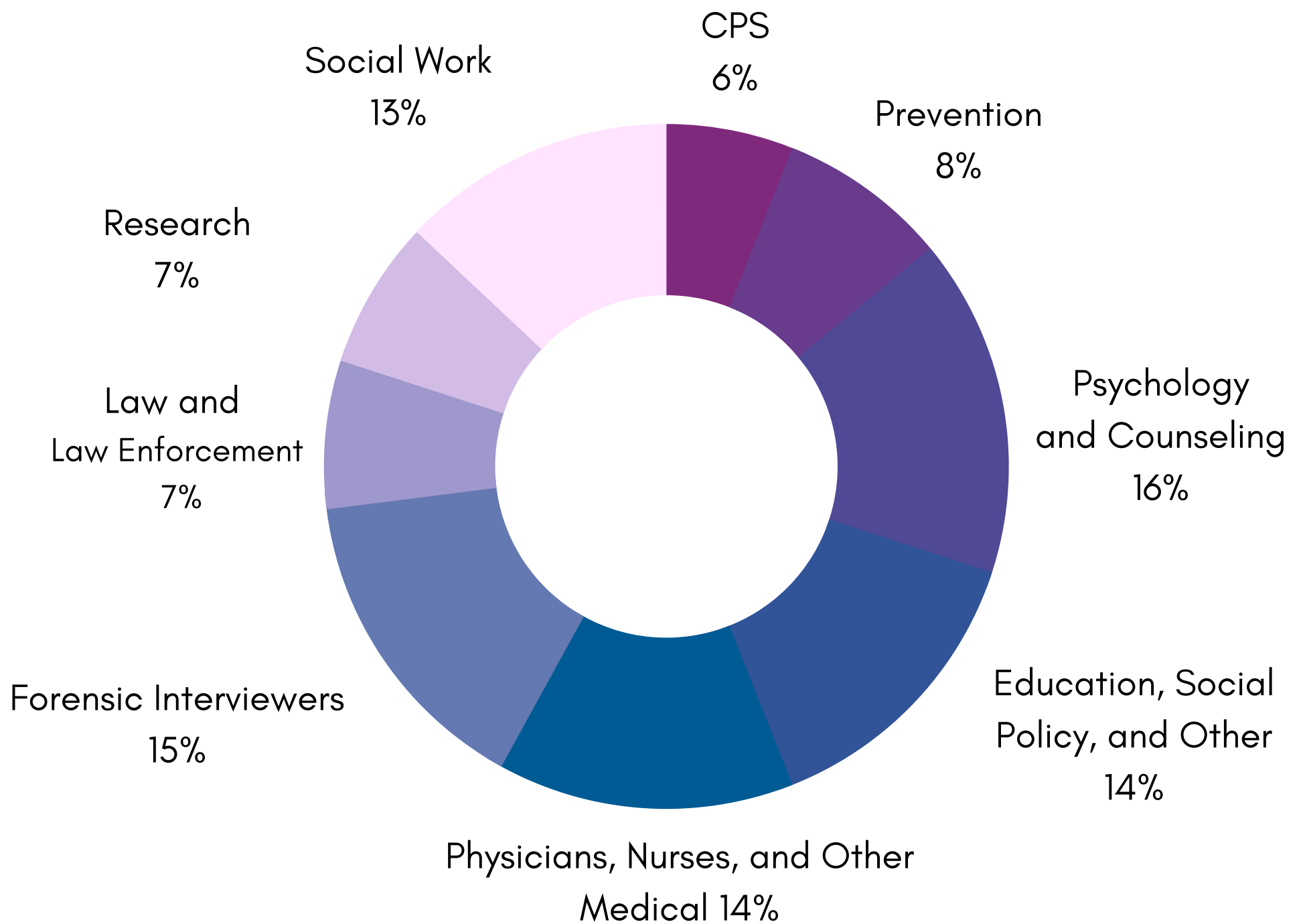
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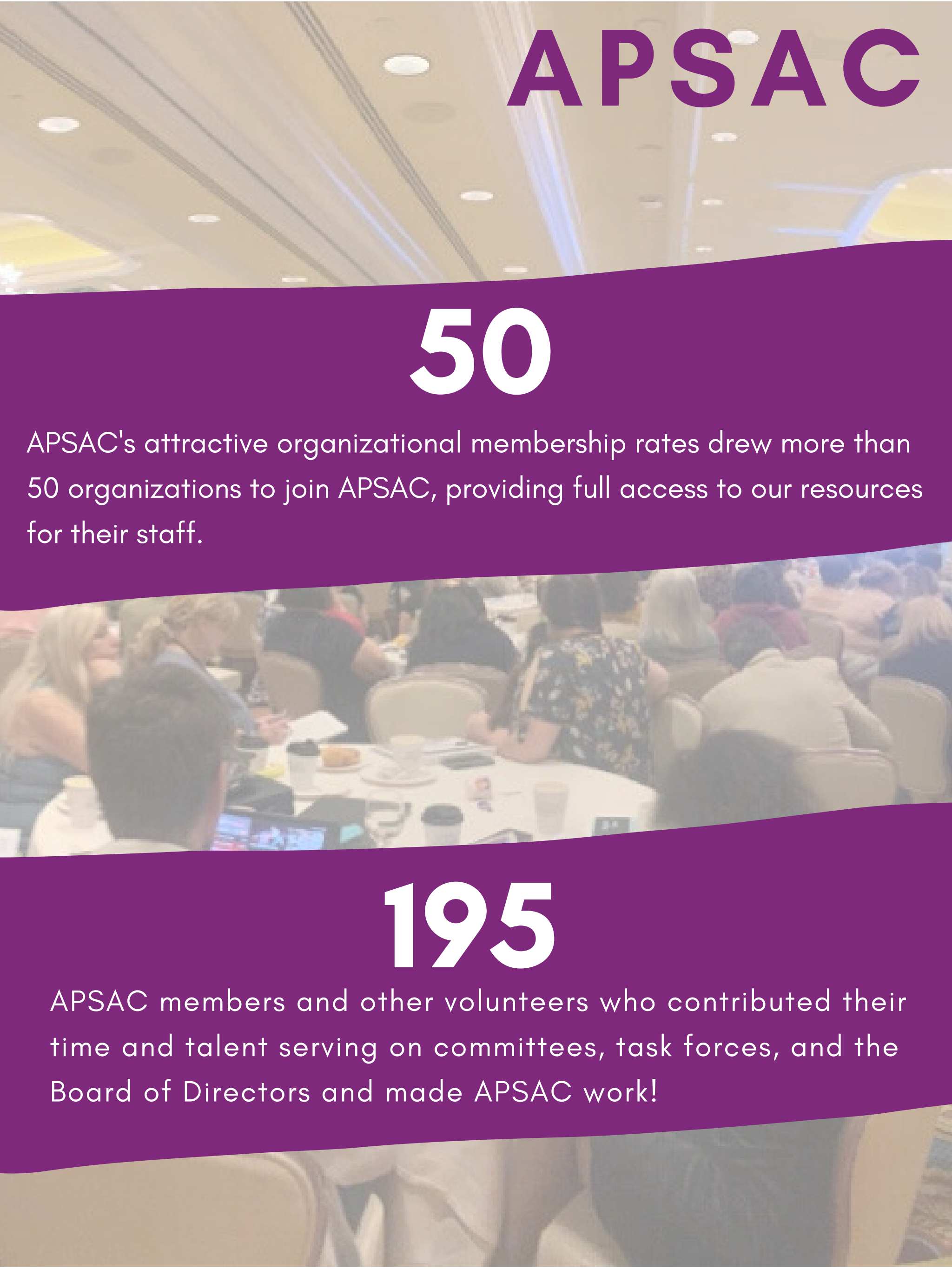
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2019 APSAC MEMBERSHIP BY PROFESSION



Individuals can be counted in more than one category based on their self-report

APSAC ended 2019 with more than **1,500** members, maintaining our multidisciplinary focus with representatives from education, law, social work, medicine, research, CPS, child advocacy, psychology, counseling, and other fields.



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50

APSAC's attractive organizational membership rates drew more than 50 organizations to join APSAC, providing full access to our resources for their staff.



195

APSAC members and other volunteers who contributed their time and talent serving on committees, task forces, and the Board of Directors and made APSAC work!



GREW!

10,000

The APSAC *Alert* and APSAC newsletter reached almost 10,000 people with the latest news about APSAC and the field of child maltreatment.



4.1

The APSAC peer reviewed journal *Child Maltreatment* was rated with an impact factor of 4.1, one of the highest in the categories of social work and family studies.



APSAC PROVIDED OUTSTANDING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES!

- The 26th Colloquium in Salt Lake City, Utah featured the usual, excellent array of preconference institutes, workshops and seminars, and was enhanced by a partnership with Utah state government, ensuring that local CPS staff and allied professional staff had access to the national resources!

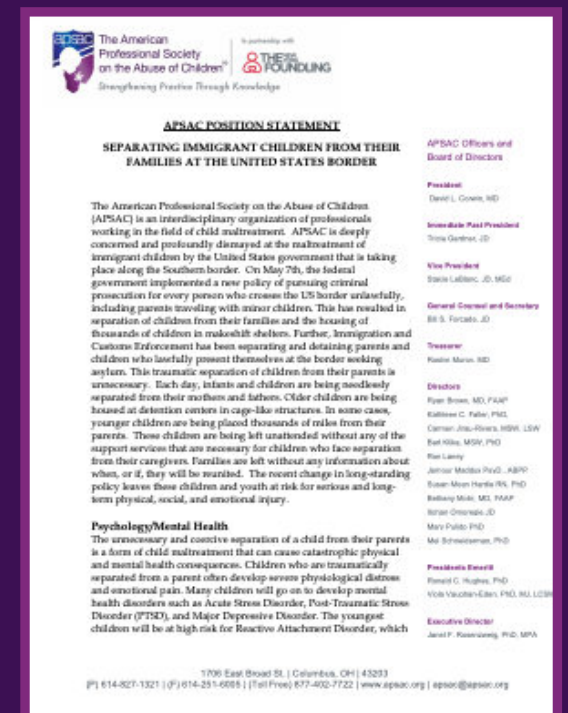


- APSAC updated the curricula for our five-day forensic interview clinics and two-day advanced training institutes.
- As a member of the Psychological Maltreatment Alliance, APSAC cosponsored an international forum on psychological maltreatment of children.

APSAC SUPPORTED EVIDENCE-BASED POLICY!

- Beginning last year, the APSAC Center for Child Policy has occupied a central position in efforts to ensure the safety and health of immigrant children and families at U.S. borders. The Amicus Committee lead more than 35 child advocacy organizations, pediatric organizations, and medical experts supporting DACA recipients by drafting an amicus brief to defend the DACA program in the U.S. Supreme Court. Policy Center staff and committee members were also part of two coalitions of professionals who traveled to meet with U.S. legislators in Washington, DC with the goal of informing policy makers about best practices related to child maltreatment and immigration policy.

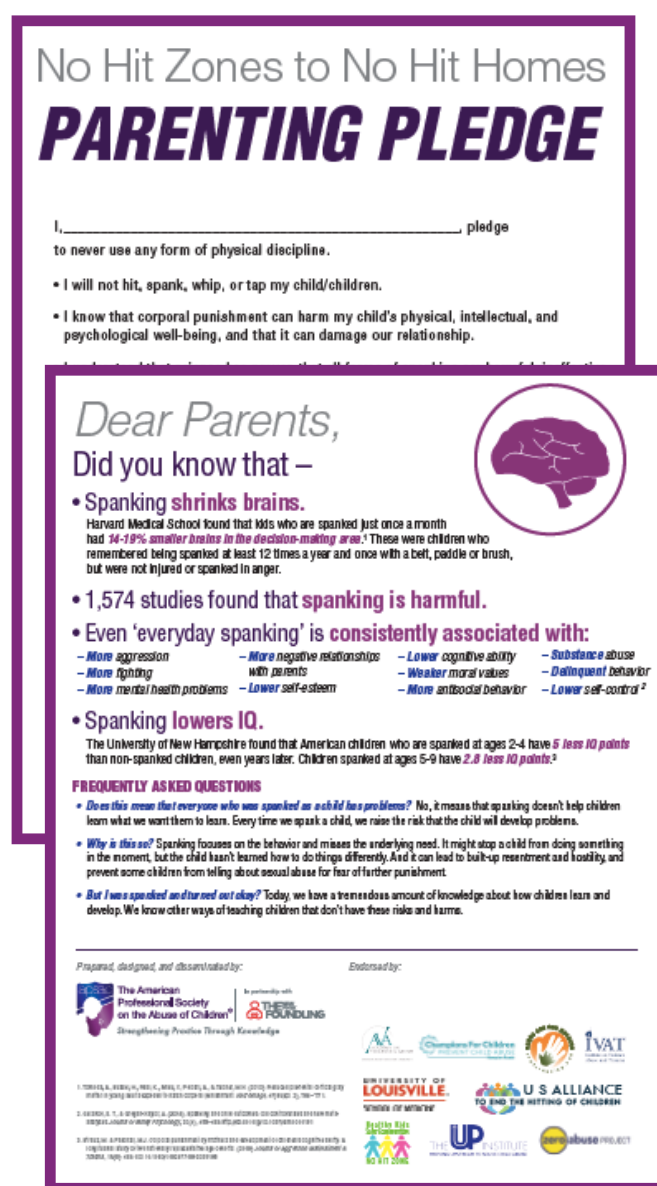
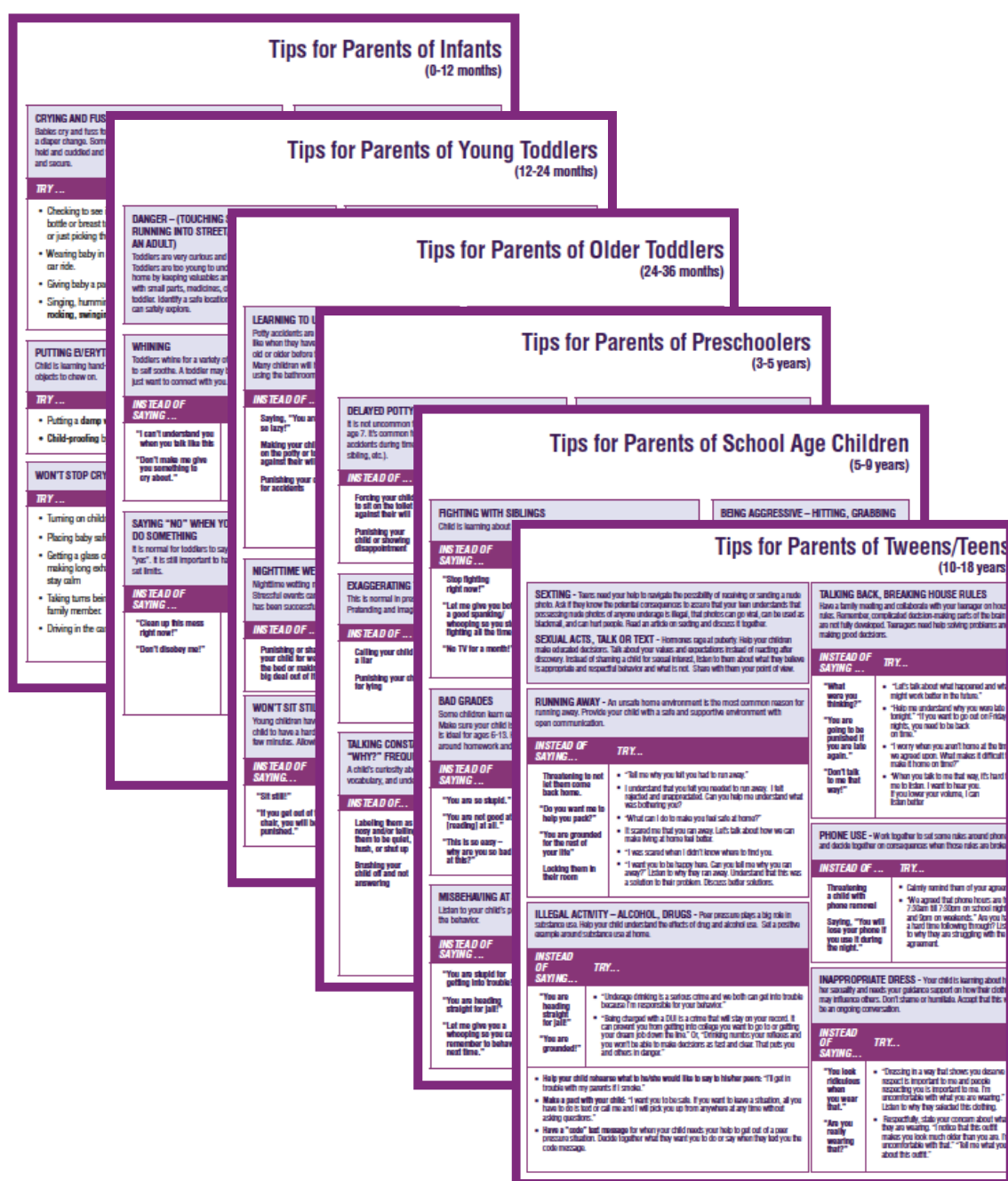
Over 200 Organizations Demand End of 'Child Abuse' at Border and in Detention



- The Committee on Differential Response (DR) released their final report, "Issues in Differential Response: Revisited," which explores the current state of DR programming in the United States and explains how significant problems with research methodology continue to call into question assumptions about the safety of children who are served in DR programs.
- The Amicus Committee released two policy briefs aimed at improving outcomes for children in court: "Children's Presence in Court During Child Protection Proceedings" and "The Role of the Child's Attorney in Child Protection Proceedings."

APSAC CREATED NEW RESOURCES TO SUPPORT EDUCATION AND PRACTICE!

- APSAC, along with the National Initiative to End Corporal Punishment, produced public education materials documenting the harms of hitting children and offering age-appropriate alternatives.

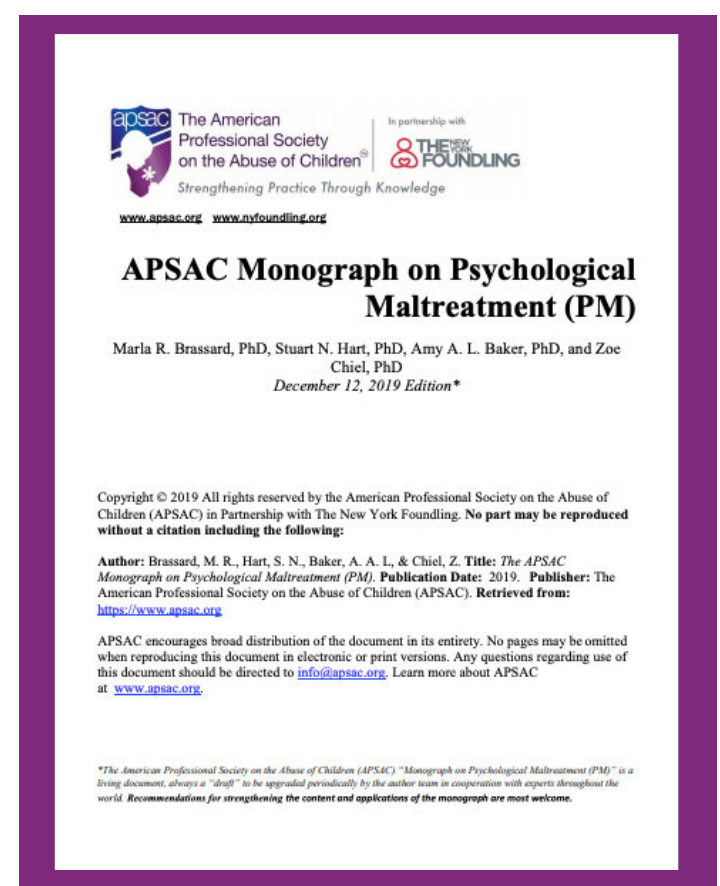


- APSAC produced 14 Research to Practice briefs, written to make the latest research findings immediately accessible. Read these Research to Practice briefs here!

- APSAC produced a series of videos featuring pioneers in the field documenting the growth and development of the child welfare profession! Visit www.apsac.org to find them and use them in your research and teaching!

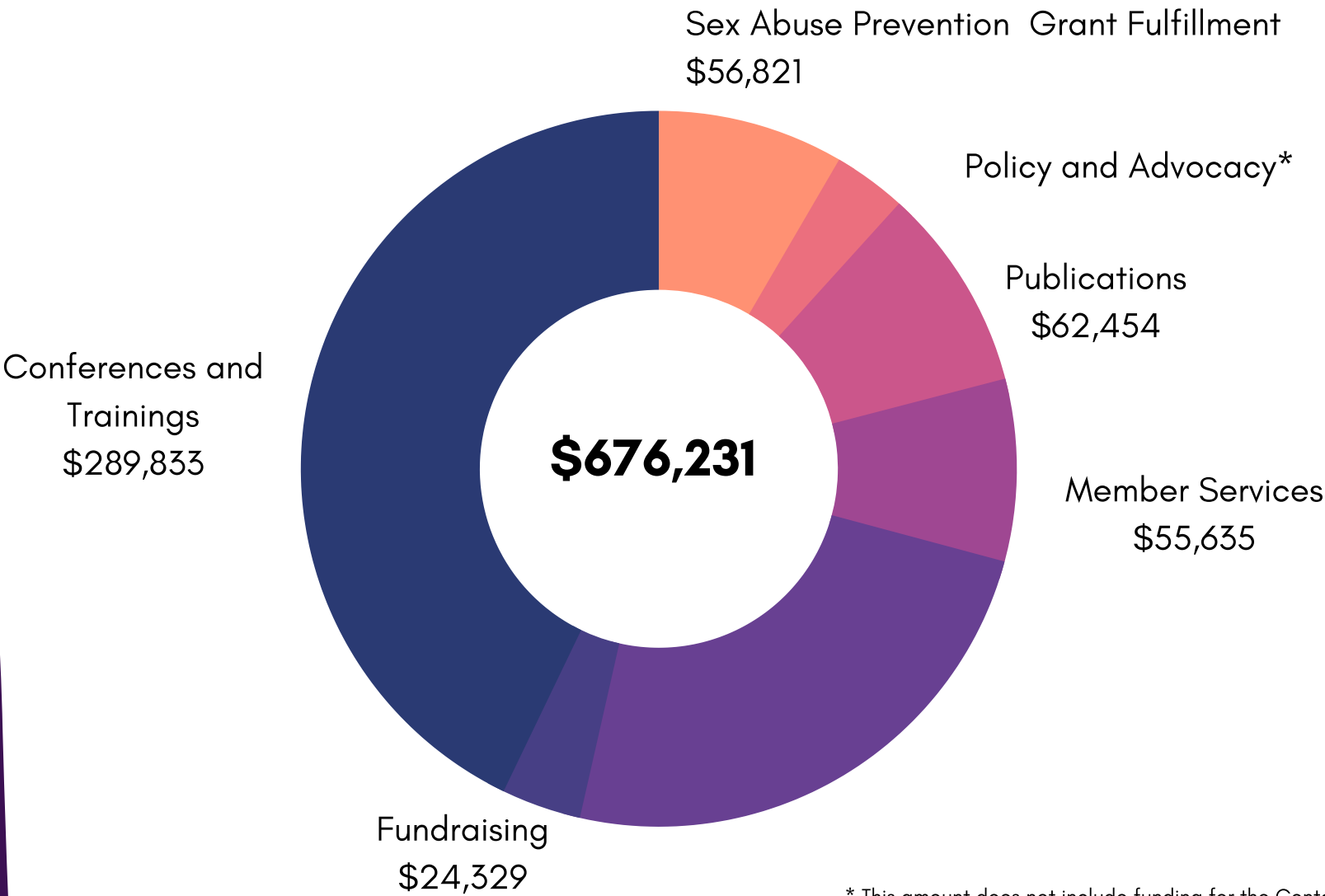


- APSAC completed the certification processes to offer contributing education credits for social workers and psychologists.
- APSAC published the first of our monograph series, designed to provide in-depth treatment to important topics within the field of child maltreatment.



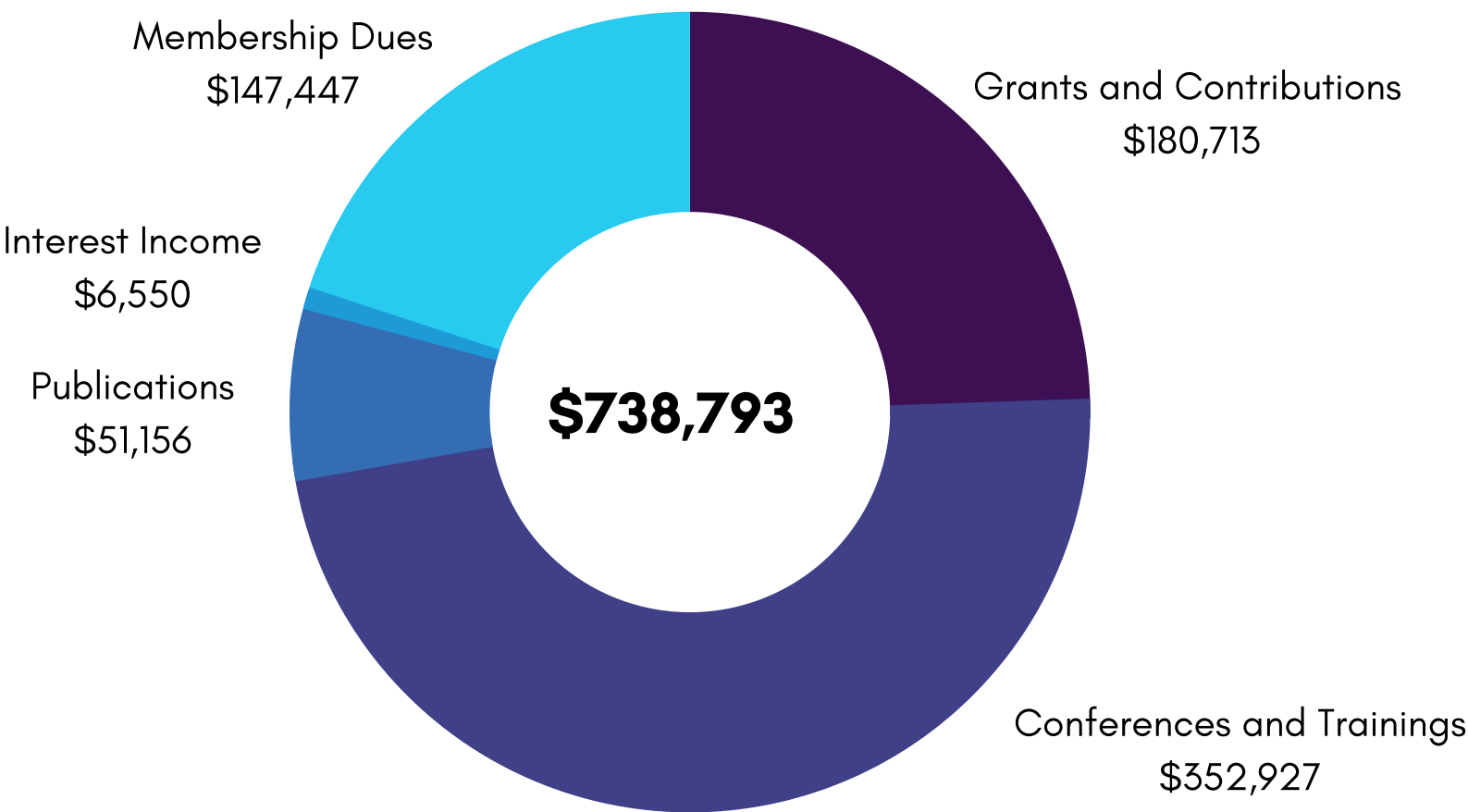
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The Ryan Morey Memorial Fund honors the life of a remarkable young forensic interviewer. With the support of his loving parents, this fund has been created to be utilized by APSAC to develop and disseminate parenting educational materials to address a key risk factor for child abuse.



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