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Greetings,

Ralph Waldo Emerson penned my favorite summertime mantra, "Live in the sunshine, swim in the sea, drink in the wild air," and this is exactly what we do at Advocates. Whether it is bubble blowing (to improve hand eye coordination) and hopscotch (to improve balance) in our Hope in Your Home Parenting Programs or the children of FBCS jumping in the waves of Tybee Island (thanks to the Iron Order Motorcycle Club), summer is for children. So, grab your loved ones and have some fun this summer!

Joyfully,
Rachel Castillo
President/CEO

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Supporting Kids on the Road to Excellence

Advocates for Children is proud to announce our newest program, SKORE! Supporting Kids on the Road to Excellence (SKORE) is a program offered to children between ages 12 to 17 years old who have committed noncriminal acts that are considered a law violation because of their status as minors. In April 2021, Advocates for Children began operating SKORE, providing services to children and their families to help them access the resources needed to ensure the children overcome their behavioral challenges.

SKORE is a diversion program that serves as an avenue for holding youth accountable for their behavior, empowering them to make changes in their own lives. Children and youth graduating from SKORE will have their case closed without an appearance before a judge and will not acquire a court record. Families enrolled are given a 90-day plan and the resources necessary to resolve family issues and keep children **in school, out of detention, out of Court, and out of foster care.**

To learn more or make a referral for SKORE,
visit <https://advochild.org/skore/>

Flowering Branch Children's Shelter Annual Beach Trip

A big thank you to Iron Order MC Georgia for raising money to support our annual beach trip for the residents of our shelter! We are so grateful to provide our kids with joyful experiences like these!

While our kiddos enjoy sand, sun, and fun at the beach, join us for the opportunity to tour our facilities, **June 29th from 8:30-9:30.** RSVP with Renee Shields at renee@advochild.org



A Quack-tastic Recap

Community, hope, & ducks--Lots of ducks!

This year's 2021 Duck Derby & Dash hybrid event was a huge success! Thank you so much to all our sponsors, supporters, and volunteers who made this possible!



21,417 Ducks Adopted
\$92,964 Raised

Duck Derby Sponsors



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Children. **Give Today**

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Upcoming Events & Fundraisers



Advocates for Children Facility Tour



Exclusive Tour of our Flowering Branch Children's Shelter for
Bartow-Cartersville Chamber Members

Tuesday, June 29th, 2021
8:30 am - 9:30 am

RSVP with Renee Shields at
renee@advochild.org



Back to School Fundraiser

Text **bck2school** to 41444
and help a child start their
school year right!

Raging Raft Race by NOEoutdoors

Benefiting Advocates for Children

August 21st, 2021
Register at <https://noeoutdoors.com/>



**GOURMET
GRAZE & RAISE**

Advocates for Children's Annual Fall Benefit

Date: November 6th, 2021

For details about all our events and more visit <https://www.advochild.org>