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What inspired you to become a part of the Child Abuse Council Board of Directors?

A former co-worker was leaving the Board and our managing partner asked if anyone would be interested. Since I had never been on a board before, I wanted to experience being a board member.

What has been the most meaningful experience you've had since being a member of the BOD?

Working on the Lifesaver Gala. To see ideas come to fruition, but the passion of the donors and watching the excitement in the room is very rewarding.

What experience or skills do you share that help you be a great Board Member?

I have learned that the skills necessary to be a great Board Member are: connections within the community. Having a broad reach across the community, knowing "who" is in the community. Someone with a passion for the mission. Someone who has a passion for sharing their time, talent and treasures.

What would you like the community to know about the Child Abuse Council?

The Child Abuse council's mission is to strengthen children and families through treatment, education and prevention. Through the many programs, it is still the hope to eliminate child abuse and neglect.

What is your hope for the Child Abuse Council in the future?

My hope is that the agency is no longer needed – but this can only be accomplished by eliminating child abuse and neglect. Until that day, my hope is the Child Abuse Council will still offer the programs and hire and retain the talented staff that work tirelessly to help the council be everything it is today.