



Hope for Children and Families News from Onslow County

Welcome to the July edition of our newsletter! Each month, you'll find information about One Place programs and services, early care and education, and more.

Don't forget to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) for photos and updates about what's happening at One Place.

Forensic Interviewer Week

Earlier this month, we celebrated Forensic Interviewer Week and recognized our three staff members who provide this critical service to victims of child abuse and neglect.

"What motivates me is knowing the difference a forensic interview process makes in a child's life, especially as it pertains to comfort and ease, if it's able to exist. I remember very well my own forensic interview at twelve years old and have photographs from that day. Whenever I'm feeling off I look at those to motivate myself even more to do the best job for them." -Justin Hefner, forensic interviewer at One Place

Read the news coverage: [National Forensic Interviewer Week Recognizes Those Who Help Others in Need.](#)

National Forensic Interviewer Week



"All kids need is a little help, a little hope,
and somebody who believes in them."

-Earvin "Magic" Johnson

Stitching Hope: Quilts of Comfort for Young Survivors

We are beyond grateful to the incredible members of the Carolina Pine Needle Quilters Guild, who have donated more than 4,000 quilts to the One Place Child Advocacy Center (CAC) since 2010.

Each quilt is a symbol of warmth, comfort, and care—wrapping children and families in love during some of their most difficult moments.

The Guild invited One Place staff to attend their July meeting. We loved seeing the various quilts presented during "show and tell," some of which will be donated to the CAC.



The evening was particularly special because the Guild unveiled the custom quilt designed and created especially for the new CAC space in the SECU Hope Center.

Here's a sneak peek of the beautiful work of art, which will be unveiled in its entirety when our forever home opens in early fall.



Every Child, Every Ability: Support Starts Early

Did you know?

Head Start programs are required to ensure that at least 10 percent of enrollment is filled by children eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

During our last fiscal year, 23% of our Early Head Start (EHS) program enrollment was comprised of children eligible for services under IDEA.

[Click here](#) to learn more about EHS and how it benefits local families, or submit an online application.



A Night of Fun and Philanthropy



Join us for Diamonds & Denim, a powerful evening dedicated to building a stronger community for everyone in Onslow County. This event isn't just about gathering—it's about giving back. Together, we'll celebrate the children and families impacted by One Place services and the generosity of people like you.

Be part of something meaningful. Your presence helps fuel the mission.

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Blogs

In case you missed the blogs we shared on social media this month, check them out:

- [Helping Children Cope with Tragic News](#)
- [What is a Forensic Interview?](#)
- [How to Prepare Your Toddler for Preschool](#)

One Place in the News

- [CEO Dawn Rochelle talks with Jack Church on K-LOVE about One Place programs, services, and community impact.](#)
- [National Forensic Interviewer Week Recognizes Those Who Help Others in Need.](#)