

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## L'Auberge Casino Resort Donates Tasting on the Terrace Proceeds to Children's Advocacy Center

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Pictured (L to R) Jessica Saxby, Internal Communication & Community Relations Manager of L'Auberge Casino Resort Lake Charles; Julio R. Galan, President & CEO of Family & Youth; Michael K. Pendergast, Vice President & General Manager of L'Auberge Casino Resort Lake Charles; Erika Simon, Family & Youth Vice President, Children's Advocacy Center; and Candice Young, Executive Assistant.

(Lake Charles)—The Children's Advocacy Center (CAC), a division of Family & Youth Counseling Agency, Inc. (Family & Youth) received a check for \$21,000.00 from L'Auberge Casino Resort (L'Auberge). The funds were raised during the Tasting on the Terrace event hosted by L'Auberge on November 17, 2016. 350 patrons attended this sold out event to sample and learn about over 200 unique wines and beers from throughout the country and abroad. Patrons were also given the opportunity to purchase the wines they enjoyed through The Wine Store.

The CAC is a child-friendly facility designed to coordinate services for children who have been reported as sexually or severely physically abused. Designed and managed to reduce the effects of trauma, the CAC's comfortable environment and well-trained staff work together with area prosecutors, law enforcement agents, child protection investigators, social service workers,

therapists, victims' advocates, and medical professionals to investigate child abuse allegations and reduce the number of investigative interviews typically experienced by victims.

It is the belief of Family & Youth that all individuals possess the ability to solve their own challenges and live full and healthy lives when support is available. It is the mission of Family & Youth to provide affordable and professional support through programs and services dedicated to the advocacy, counseling, and education for the people of Southwest Louisiana. Our effort and commitment to building family values will guarantee a stable and stronger community. For more information call 337.436.9533.

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