



Halton Children's Aid Society

About Us

The Halton Children's Aid Society (Society) is over 100 years old, part of the provincial Child Welfare system and one of 48 Children's Aid Societies and Indigenous Child Well-being Societies in Ontario. We are funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services (MCYS) and are a member of the Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies (OACAS).

The Society provides community-based services in Burlington, Halton Hills (Acton/Georgetown), Milton and Oakville. Over 91% of our protection workers work directly in schools, counseling agencies and the Halton Regional Police Service. In Halton, 97% of children and youth remain in their own homes—only 3% come into care, of which 75% are over the age of 12.

We rely on the generosity of donors and the hard work of the Children's Aid Foundation of Halton to support our children and youth to continue their education, participate in extracurricular activities and transition into adulthood.

In addition to Child Welfare services, the Society supports youth 16 to 24 who are homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless, through Bridging the Gap. We also provide support and oversight to the Our Kids Network (OKN), a Halton-wide partnership of organizations and agencies. OKNs mission is to promote healthy development, security and safety of all children, youth and families through collective action.

How Can You Help

Partner with us to Advocate for Adequate Funding . . .

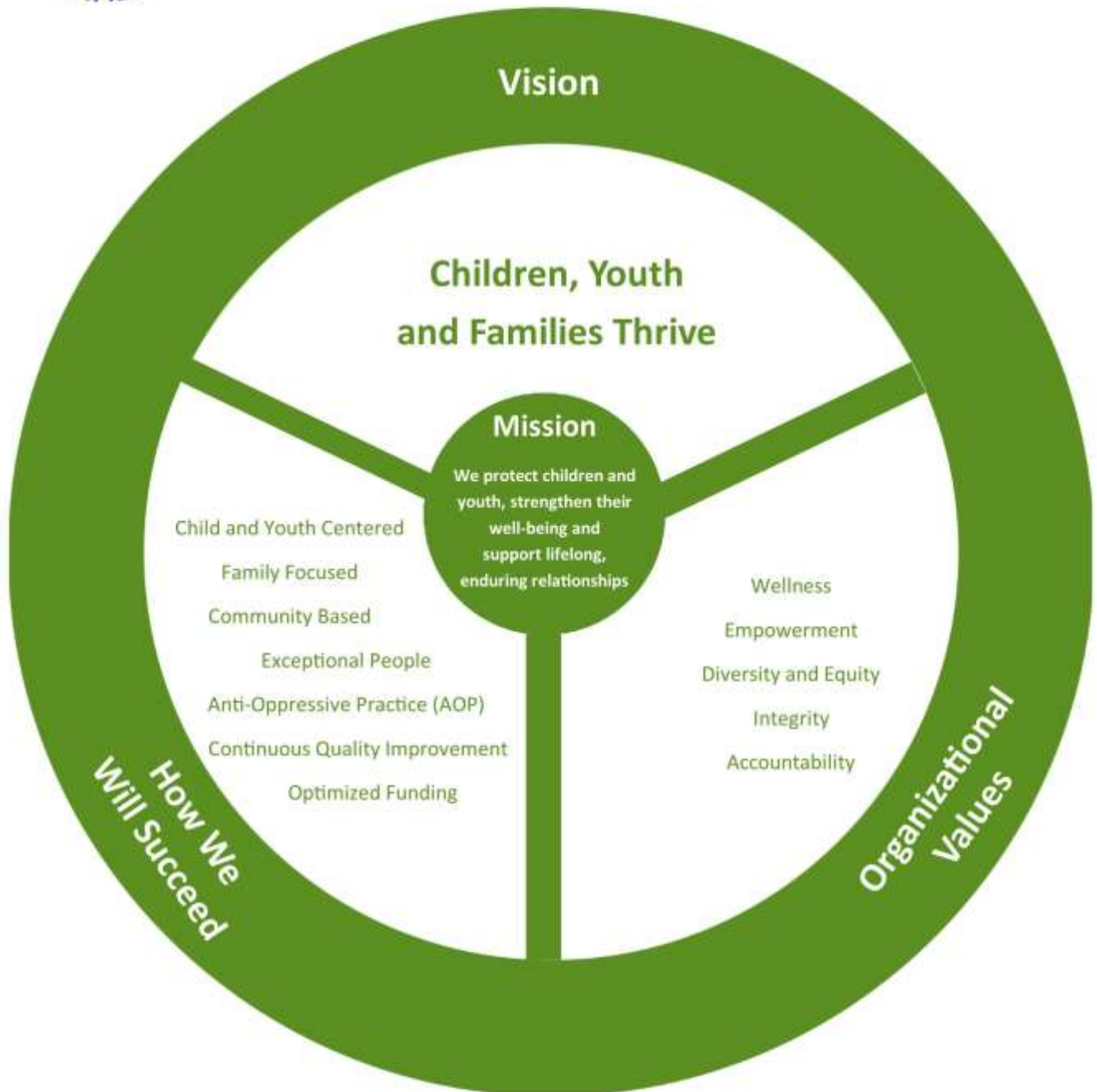
- **Broader Children's Safety Net**
 - Equitable access to mental health/social services so families get the early help they need
 - Affordable housing
- **Family Finding, Permanency and Kinship**
 - Children and youth are supported to stay with family (and out of care)
 - Support extended family willing to step up for kids when caregivers are struggling
- **Expanded Legislative Requirements—Child, Youth and Family Services Act (CYFSA)**
 - Give 16 and 17 year olds the help they need
 - Support disclosure requests for those receiving Child Welfare services
- **Child Protection Information Network (CPIN)**
 - Ongoing (sustainment) costs
 - Continued improvements to system
- **Restore Jurisdiction for Indigenous Child Welfare**
 - Invest in culturally appropriate and specialized core services in Indigenous communities



for the children, youth and families in Halton Region



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