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Child Abuse Prevention

Lyon County 2026

Nationally, April has been recognized as Child Abuse Prevention Month

- During April, public and private agencies, community organizations, volunteers and concerned citizens unite to highlight the problem of child abuse and to educate the public in methods of prevention.
- Child abuse is a community concern.
- No one profession or single agency alone can strengthen and support families and therefore protect children from harm.
- Requires a community effort to work together to protect children and support the well-being of families.



State of Nevada Child Protective Services (CPS)

- Overview
- Current Status
- Trends
- Demographics

DCFS Homepage Office of Analytics Homepage

- Referrals
- Reports

DASHBOARD UPDATED ON 3/10/2026

TRENDS - CPS REPORTS DISPOSITIONED SFY 2018-2026

DATA AS OF 2/28/2026

When a CPS referral is reviewed by a supervisor and a screening decision and disposition is made, the incident of suspected child abuse or neglect becomes known as a report. Multiple referrals may be linked to one report if they relate to the same incident. Data related to historical CPS reports received for previous State Fiscal Years are displayed below and are available by year, report jurisdiction, county of occurrence, screening decision and/or disposition, and by report tracking characteristic using filters. [Learn more](#)

SELECT REPORT JURISDICTION

DCFS RURAL REGION

SELECT COUNTY OF OCCURRENCE

Lyon

SELECT A REPORT TRACKING CHARACTERISTIC

All

CLEAR ALL FILTERS

KEY METRICS

541
Total Reports Dispositioned
SFY 2026 YTD

1,082
Total Children on Reports
SFY 2026 YTD

820
Unique Children on Reports
SFY 2026 YTD

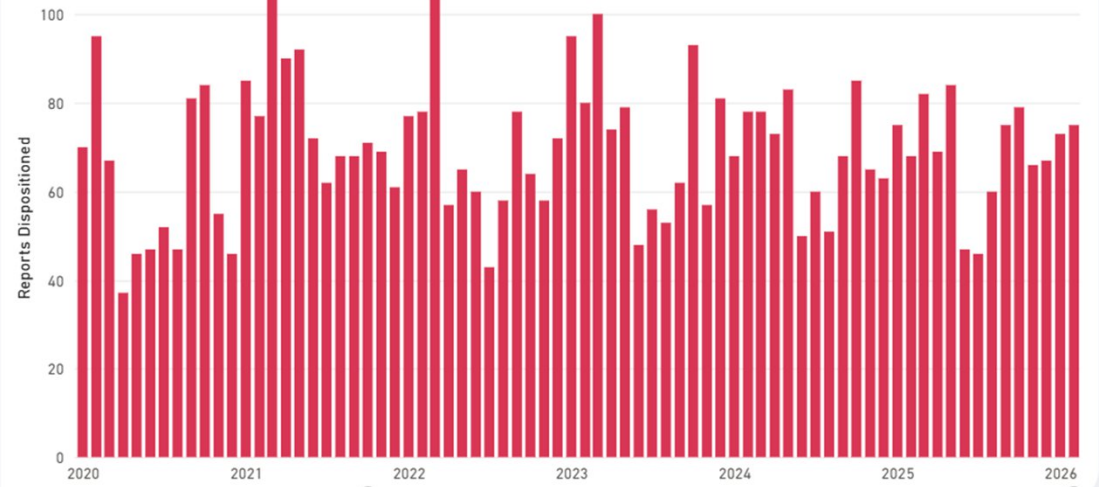
| STATE FISCAL YEAR | REPORTS | % CHANGE |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| 2026 | 541 | - |
| 2025 | 817 | -1.8% |
| 2024 | 832 | -2.0% |
| 2023 | 849 | 1.1% |
| 2022 | 840 | -5.5% |
| 2021 | 889 | 15.5% |
| 2020 | 770 | -8.4% |
| 2019 | 841 | -3.1% |
| 2018 | 868 | N/A |

SELECT SCREENING DECISION and/or DISPOSITION

All

CPS REPORTS DISPOSITIONED BY MONTH

To view data in table format, right click on the graph and click "Show as a table."



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What Impact Do ACEs Have?

As the number of ACEs increases, so does the risk of negative health outcomes



Possible Risk Outcomes:

BEHAVIOR



Lack of Physical Activity



Smoking



Alcoholism



Substance Abuse



Missed Work

PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH



Severe Obesity



Diabetes



Depression



Suicide Threats



STIs



Heart Disease



Cancer



Stroke



COPD



Broken Bones



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Positive Childhood Experiences



Strengthen families' financial stability

- Paid time off
- Child tax credits
- Flexible and consistent work schedules



Promote social norms that protect against violence

- Positive parenting practices
- Prevention efforts involving men and boys



Help kids have a good start

- Early learning programs
- Affordable preschool and childcare programs



Teach healthy relationship skills

- Conflict resolution
- Negative feeling management
- Pressure from peers
- Healthy non-violent dating relationships



Connect youth with activities and caring adults

- School or community mentoring programs
- After-school activities



Intervene to lessen immediate and long-term harms

- ACEs education
- Therapy
- Family-centered treatment for substance abuse

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**HUMAN
SERVICES**



Children's Services

Prevention:

- Women, Infant, and Children (WIC)
- Cribs for Kids
- Car seats
- Parenting Classes
- Lyon County Home Visiting Intervention
- Parent Project
- Differential Response
- Family Support Program



Behavioral Health Services

Intervention

- Lyon County Resilient Families focuses on Transitional Age Youth (TAY) ages 14-24
- Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)
- C3 (Crisis, Community, Connection) Youth Mobile Crisis Unit
- Child and Adolescent Service Intensity Instrument (CASII), Children's Universal Mental Health Assessment (CUMHA), ASAM Level of Care Assessments





**Nevada Department of
Health and Human Services**
DIVISION OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES



Focus:



- Child Protective Services (CPS) is the first step to ensure the safety and permanency of children who are reported as being abused or neglected.
- The focus of CPS is on protecting the child from harm or risk of harm and to make it safe for the child to live with the parent or caretaker.
- 18 years and younger
- Defined by statute
 - mental injury
 - physical injury
 - sexual abuse and exploitation
 - negligent treatment or
 - maltreatment
 - excessive corporal punishment

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DCFS Scope

Nevada Child Protective Service Agencies conduct activities in preventing, investigating, and treating child abuse and neglect through:

- Intake
- Assessment
- Ongoing case management
- Foster care licensing and recruitment

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Foster Care In Nevada

- DCFS and Lyon County are in need of foster families
- Children must often be separated or moved outside the county resulting in new schools, removal from friends and other disruption in an already difficult situation
- Placement with family is not always an option
- There are opportunities for short or long-term placements
- "There is no better gift to give a child than a family."

-Anonymous





Lyon County Sheriff's Office

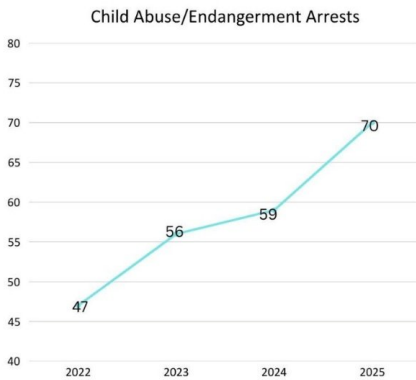
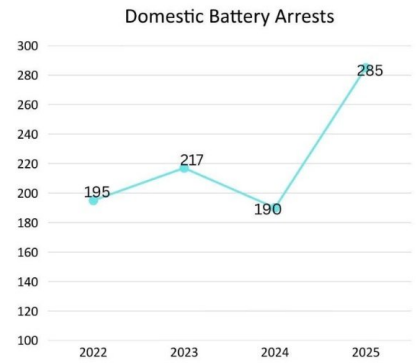




Data from the 2025 Annual Report shows a rise in child abuse and endangerment arrests compared to previous years, reflecting a continued commitment to taking action whenever possible



CRIME STATISTICS



INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Lyon County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division is comprised of three different divisions which are the Major Crimes Division, the Special Investigations Unit and the Deputy Coroner. The following is a statistical breakdown of each division for the year 2025:

MAJOR CRIMES: The vast majority of Investigations conducted by the Major Crimes Division are Felony Investigations and are assigned to the Investigations Division by each patrol area. From January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025, the Major Crimes Division has been assigned **218 Cases**. The Major Crimes Division has completed **491 reports** which is broken down into **71 original reports** and **420 supplement reports**. Major Crimes Detectives have executed **41 Search Warrants**, conducted **23 Computer Voice Stress Analysis Test's**, attended **37 Child Forensic Interviews** and have been called out on **36 occasions**.

The following are specific numbers showing the types of high priority Felony Investigations conducted by the Major Crimes Division in 2025:

- Homicides - 2
 - Violent Crimes (Battery with a deadly weapon, etc.) - 6
 - Suspicious Death / Suicide - 11
 - Kidnapping - 4
 - Adult vs Adult sex crime - 18
 - Adult vs Juvenile sex crime - 34
 - Juvenile vs Juvenile sex crime - 26
 - Child Abuse - 13
 - Miscellaneous Juvenile Incidents - 16
 - Missing Persons - 8
 - Child Pornography - 24
 - Property Crimes / Theft - 21
 - Fraud Crimes - 10
 - Elder Abuse - 4
 - Stalking, harassment, threats - 7
 - Assist other Agency Investigations- 14
- Many arrests have been made stemming from these investigations. Many of these investigations are closed pending the issuance of arrest warrants and many investigations are still on-going.



District Attorney



District Attorney's Office Responsibilities

- Works with DCFS on child protection cases assisting in protecting children and removing them from abusive environments
- Works with the Lyon County Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement agencies to successfully prosecute child abuse and neglect, child sexual abuse and child exploitation cases and protect children from these offenders



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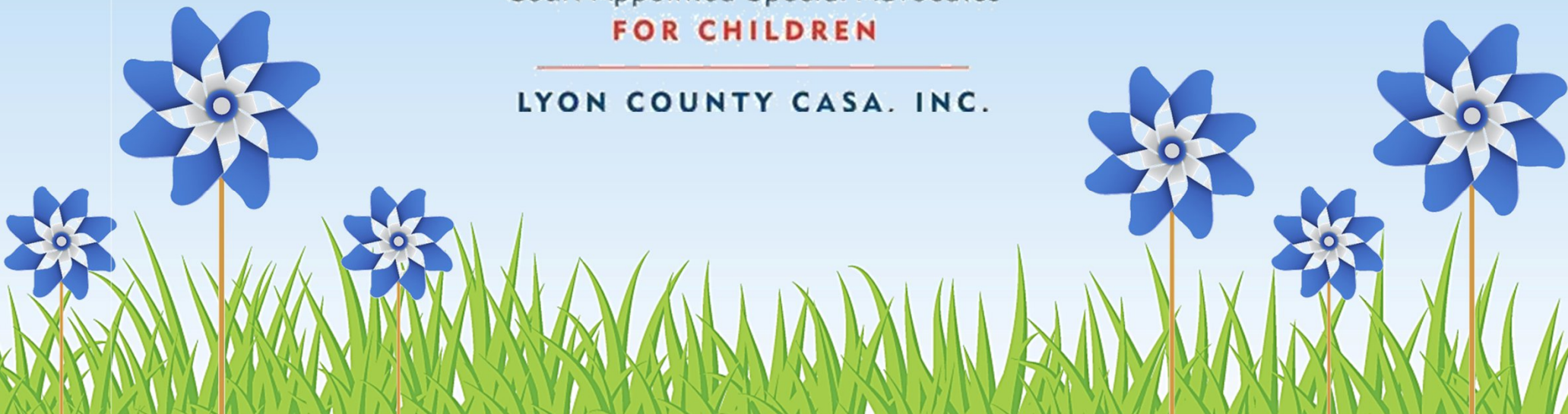




CASA

Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

LYON COUNTY CASA. INC.



In 2025, Lyon County CASA served 56 abused and neglected children removed from their homes in Lyon County. Our volunteers dedicated 6,100 hours and travelled 7,800 miles advocating for the best interest of these vulnerable children! We also swore in 5 new volunteers

Brighter Futures and Stronger Communities

Children who have experienced abuse or neglect fare better with a CASA/GAL volunteer by their side. Studies have shown:



THEY ARE

more likely

to find a safe, permanent home



THEY ARE

more likely

to succeed in school



THEY ARE

half as likely

to re-enter the foster care system



Community Efforts

- Pinwheel displays in community offices with the help of our partnership with Boys and Girls clubs
- Pinwheel gardens located in each community (April 3rd)
- Pinwheel colorings
- Social media campaign
- Bookmarks
- Collaboration with community providers



THANK YOU

