



Mike Braun, Governor  
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*"Children will live in safe, healthy and supportive families and communities."*

If you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, call the Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline at 800-800-5556.

**Name of Agency or Office:** Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS)

**Name and Titles of Recipients**

Matt LoPrete, Former DCS Interim Legislative Director  
Crystal Byrne, Assistant Deputy, Director Services  
Harmony Gist, Deputy Director, Strategic Solutions and Agency Transformation  
Rhonda Allen, Deputy Director, Field Operations  
Jim Obermaier, Deputy Director, Communications  
Kerri Dabbs, Deputy Director, Staff Development  
Jared Linder, Chief Information Officer

**Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted, or Received and approximate value of item:**

DCS was invited by the director of communications from Mental Health America of Indiana (MHA) to attend MHA's annual fundraising event, "Hoosier Idol," which supports mental health awareness. The event took place at the Indiana Roof Ballroom on April 9, 2025. The invitation was for a table which is valued at \$1,000.00 on MHA's website.

**Date of Receipt:** April 9, 2025

**Donor's Name:** Mental Health America of Indiana

**Donor's Address:** 1431 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis

**Nature of Donor's Business Relationship with Agency:** DCS has contracts with county MHA affiliated offices.

**State Why Acceptance is in the Public Interest:** DCS is committed to working with organizations like MHA to underscore the importance of mental health awareness and support for DCS families and children.

  
Rachel D. Russell

DCS Deputy General Counsel & Ethics Officer

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Date

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The Indiana Department of Child Services leads the state's response to allegations of child abuse and neglect and facilitates child support payments. We consider the needs and values of all we serve in our efforts to protect children while keeping families together whenever possible.