

April 2023

Child Abuse Prevention Month



April 2023 Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation



March 28, 2023, the proclamation was presented to the Kern County Board of Supervisors in recognition of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.



Wear Blue



Kern County Network for Children

Our Children. Our Community.

April 2023 CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month to recognize the importance of families and communities working together to strengthen families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Tuesday, March 28th at 9:00 a.m. a proclamation to be presented at the Kern County Board of Supervisors in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month at 1115 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, CA.

All Throughout April, The Kern County Administrative Office will be lit blue at night and local media will be encouraged to share activities taking place in April in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Monday, April 3rd "What happens when you call the Child Abuse Hotline?" -Heartbeat of Human Services Podcast by www.kcdhs.org.

Friday, April 7th "Wear Blue for Kids" in support of Child Abuse Prevention Month. – Social Media Campaign

Thursday, April 13th "Families First Prevention Services What Is It?" -Heartbeat of Human Services Podcast by www.kcdhs.org.

Thursday, April 13th "Domestic Violence and Mandated Reporting Training" at 8:30 a.m., virtually at <https://bit.ly/April13thDVMRRT> by KCDHS & KCNC

Thursday, April 20th "Diversity Equity & Inclusion in the Child Welfare System" Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D. Keynote at 8:30 a.m. virtually at <https://bit.ly/April20thKCNCCollab> by KCNC

Tuesday, April 25th "Packing Party" Anthem Blue Cross and ComfortCases.org will provide comfort and personal care items for 300 foster children who have experienced abuse.

Friday, April 28th Release of DHS Video – Remembering children lost due to child abuse in Kern County in 2022.

Sunday, April 30th "Blue Sunday" recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month at places of worship throughout Kern County. For more information go to www.bluesunday.org.

April is a special time to increase community awareness about preventing child abuse and neglect, but child safety needs to be 365 days a year, 24 hours a day concern for everyone. Volunteer, Reach Out, Speak UP. If you suspect child abuse or neglect, report it by calling (661) 631-6011 or 911. KCNC serves as the County's Child Abuse Prevention Council. Please visit us at www.kcnc.org.



April Child Abuse Prevention Month

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9	10	11	12	13	<p>"Domestic Violence and Mandated Reporting Training."</p>	<p>KCDHS: Internal Take the Pledge Campaign</p>
16	17	18	19	20	<p>"Diversity Equity & Inclusion in the Child Welfare System" Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D. Keynote</p>	<p>21</p>
23	24	25	26	<p>KCDHS - Women's Business Conference Booth</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
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OTHER EFFORTS

All throughout April, The Kern County Administrative Office will be lit blue at night and local media will be encouraged to share activities taking place in April

Every KCDHS Lobby will have Child Abuse Prevention Flyers

Partners can request flyers for their lobbies by contacting Jana Slagle - SlagleJ@Kerndhs.com

DETAILS

04.03 The Heartbeat of Human Services Podcast

"What happens when you call the Child Abuse Hotline?"

04.13 Virtual Training - 8:30 am - bit.ly/April13thDVMRRT

"Domestic Violence and Mandated Reporting Training"

04.17 The Heartbeat of Human Services Podcast

"Child Abuse Prevention & Collaboration" with Yadira Vargas, KCNC

04.20 Virtual Training - 8:30 am - bit.ly/April20thKCNCcollab

"Diversity Equity & Inclusion in the Child Welfare System" Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D. Keynote

04.24 The Heartbeat of Human Services Podcast

"Families First Prevention Act & CARES" with Jennifer Glenn with KCDHS

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THIS CALENDAR IS
BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



April Public Service Announcements & KCDHS Podcasts

April is Child Abuse Prevention month! Support us in creating a good childhood for all children in Kern County. Be a good role model and support youth through mentoring, volunteering, and helping a parent. It only takes one caring adult to have a positive impact in a child's life. If you suspect child abuse or neglect, report it by calling (661) 631-6011 or 911. A message from The Kern County Network for Children, kcnc.org.

¡Abril es el mes de la Prevención del Abuso Infantil! Apóyenos a crear una buena infancia para todos los niños del condado de Kern. Sea un buen ejemplo, solo se necesita un adulto atento para tener un impacto positivo en la vida de un niño. Si sospecha abuso o negligencia infantil, repórtelo llamando al (661) 631-6011 o al 911. Este mensaje es traído a usted por el Consejo de Prevención del Abuso Infantil del Condado de Kern, kcnc.org.

3 KCDHS Podcasts:

“What Happens When You Call Child Abuse Hotline?” “¿Qué sucede cuando llamas a la línea directa de abuso infantil?”

“Child Abuse Prevention and Collaboration” “Prevención del Abuso Infantil y Colaboración”

“Families First Prevention Act & CARES” “Ley de Prevención de Familias Primero y CARES”

**Kern County Network for Children
Monthly Training
Thursday, April 13, 2023
8:30 am - 10:30 am
Virtual Training
<https://bit.ly/April13thDomesticViolence>**

Please join the Kern County Network for Children as we welcome Bonnie Holt, CPS Staff Development Trainer from the Kern County Department of Human Services for a training on Domestic Violence & Mandated Reporting Responsibilities. We will explore how domestic violence impacts families and how to approach families and youth going thru domestic violence. Also, what is and what is not considered child abuse and/or neglect as well as how to appropriately report suspected child abuse.

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!

**Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D.
April 20, 2023 • 8:30–9:45 a.m.
Via Zoom <https://bit.ly/April20thKNCNCollab>**

**Diversity Equity & Inclusion in
the Child Welfare System**

Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D. will present on topics of diversity, equity, and inclusion in the child welfare system as well as how we can work collaboratively to promote protective factors within families.

Learning Objectives:

- Define evolutionary change and revolutionary change
- Identify strategies for your organization to engage in revolutionary prevention work
- Apply principles of root cause analysis to prevention frameworks
- Identify ineffective mindsets within organizations

No registration is required. Contact Martha Gomez at magomez@kern.org or 661-636-4488 if you have any questions.



Jessica A. Pryce, Ph.D. is a Research Professor at the Florida State University in the College of Social Work, and an Advisory Board Member of the National Child Welfare Workforce Institute.

Blue Sunday April 30, 2023

Over 100
Kern County
***Churches**
***Masques**
***Temples**
***Monasteries**
***Missions**



BLUE SUNDAY

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. It began when a report about abused and neglected children caught the attention of President Ronald Reagan in 1983. Sadly, since that first Child Abuse Prevention Month, the number of abused victims has grown from half a million children to over six million new reports of abuse along with 1700 child abuse-related deaths annually. One is too many.

Join churches across the nation on Blue Sunday with a moment of prayer for children and parents. Pray for:

- Children being abused to be rescued.
- Their parents to learn how to parent in healthy ways.
- Caregivers of abused children to have love & compassion.
- Abused children's minds & bodies to heal.
- Those who rescue children.

Blue Sunday Child Abuse Prevention Initiative is dedicated to helping communities reach out to abused children and to support those who rescue them.

Statistics

- One in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday.
- Most child abuse incidents are drug and alcohol related.
- Within one year of aging out of the foster care system, 66% of victims will be homeless, in jail or dead.
- There are over 100,000 children waiting for adoption in the United States.

For more information visit: www.kcdhs.org or BlueSunday.org
To report suspected child abuse contact: 661.631.6011

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AZUL DOMINGO

Abril es el Mes Nacional de la Prevención del Abuso de Menores

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Únase a las iglesias de todo el país el Azul Domingo con un momento de oración por los niños y los padres. Ora por:

- Niños abusados para ser rescatados.
- Que sus padres aprendan a ser padres de manera saludable.
- Cuidadores de niños abusados para tener amor y compasión.
- Las mentes y los cuerpos de los niños maltratados para sanar.
- Los que rescatan niños.

La Iniciativa de Prevención del Abuso Infantil del Azul Domingo se dedica a ayudar a las comunidades a llegar a los niños abusados y apoyar a quienes los rescatan.

Estadísticas

- Una de cada cuatro niñas y uno de cada seis niños serán abusados sexualmente antes de cumplir 18 años.
- La mayoría de los incidentes de abuso infantil están relacionados con las drogas y el alcohol.
- Dentro de un año de la edad del sistema de cuidado de crianza, el 66% de las víctimas estarán sin hogar, en la cárcel o muertas.
- Hay más de 100,000 niños en espera de adopción en los Estados Unidos.

Para más información visite: www.kcdhs.org o BlueSunday.org
Para reportar sospechas de abuso infantil comunicarse al: 661.631.6011

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Together we can commit to supporting families and preventing child abuse and neglect.



Scan Me!



The most important thing we can do to help children thrive is to **support families** before they reach a crisis. Visit your local Family Resource Center for support. To find a location near you scan the QR code or visit www.kcdhs.org/resources/community-resources

To Report Suspected Child Abuse
Call 661.631.6011



Family Resource Centers & Collaboratives

Highlights/ Events/ Collaboration

ARVIN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

300 FRANKLIN STREET
ARVIN, CA
(661) 854-6525

- Cal Fresh and Medical Application Assistance
- Social Security Application Assistance
- Housing Application Assistance
- First 5- Parent Education
- Local Resource Referrals
- <https://www.facebook.com/ArvinUnionSD/>

BUTTONWILLOW COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

42600 HWY. 58,
BUTTONWILLOW, CA
(661) 764-9405

- Emergency Food/ Clothing
- School Supplies
- School Readiness
- Health Care Services
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.facebook.com/ButtonwillowUSD/

DELANO COMMUNITY CONNECTION

1842 NORWALK ST.
DELANO, CA
(661) 721-7036

- Nurturing Parenting Classes
- Food Distributions
- HEAP Assistance Referrals
- Car Seat Distribution with Delano PD
- School Readiness
- www.duesd.org/domain/83



Kern County Collaborative Meetings

KCNC General Collaborative Meeting
3rd Thursday monthly, 8:30 am
Yadira Vargas (661) 636-4920

34th St. Neighborhood Partnership
2nd Wednesday monthly, 9:00 am
Juan Avila (661) 633-9133

Buttonwillow Collaborative
4th Monday monthly, 1:30 pm
Serena Garcia (661) 764-9405

Delano Neighborhood Partnership
1st Tuesday monthly, 9:30 am
Linda Hinajosa (661) 721-7036

East Bakersfield Community Collaborative
4th Tuesday monthly, 9:00 am
Manuel Ramirez (661) 633-9133

East Kern Collaborative
3rd Tuesday monthly, 2:00 pm
Anna Saavedra (661) 824-4118

Greenfield H.E.L.P.S. Collaborative
2nd Thursday monthly, 9:00 am
Jordan Green (661) 837-3720

Indian Wells Valley Collaborative
3rd Wednesday monthly, 10:00 am
Kandi Smith (760) 375-4357

Kern Disability Collaborative
2nd Thursday monthly, 1:00 pm
Dr. Terri Goldstein, (661) 237-3686

Kern River Valley Collaborative
3rd Tuesday monthly, 9:30 am
Melissa Vittoria (760) 379-2556 x608

Lost Hills Collaborative
2nd Thursday, 10:00 am
(Jan, May, Sept.)
Marisol Cordero (661) 797-3042

EAST KERN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

16804 HIGHWAY 14, STE C
MOJAVE, CA
(661) 824-4118

- Emergency Food/Clothing
- Court Mandated Parenting Classes
- HEAP and VITA Assistance
- School Readiness
- www.facebook.com/EastKernFRC/

GREENFIELD FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

5400 MONITOR ST.
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 837-3720

- Families Enrichment and Nutrition Classes
- Food, Utility Assistance, and Health Insurance Referral Services
- Immunization Clinic, Medical Enrollment, & Health Screenings
- www.facebook.com/greenfieldfrc/

KERN COUNTY NETWORK FOR CHILDREN DREAM CENTER

1801 19TH ST,
BAKERSFIELD, CA
(661) 636-4498

- Kern Regional Center
- Renter's Rights & Expungement Clinic
- Foster Youth Services (16-24-year-olds)
- Food, Clothes, & More
- www.facebook.com/dreamcenterkerncounty/

KERN RIVER VALLEY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

6048 LAKE ISABELLA BLVD.
STE A, LAKE ISABELLA, CA
(760) 379-2556 EXT.907

- Early Child Home Visiting Program (0-5)
- CAPK Nutrition Programs
- Nurturing Parenting Class
- Loving Solutions
- Parent Project
- 211/HEAP
- www.kernvilleusd.org/District

LAMONT WEEDEPATCH FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

7915 BURGUNDY AVENUE,
LAMONT, CA
(661) 845-2724

- Health and Resource Carnival, 10am-2pm on March 25, 2023
- Court Mandated Parenting Classes and Parent Project Classes Open Enrollment
- One Stop for Resources and Referrals
- www.facebook.com/lwfrc

LOST HILLS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

14823 OFFICE LANE
LOST HILLS, CA
(661) 797-3042

- School Readiness
- Parenting Classes
- Car Seat Safety
- Kits for New Parents
- Nutrition and Wellness Information
- Local Resource Referrals
- www.losthills.k12.ca.us



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WORK to END
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For family resource centers in Kern County visit www.KCDHS.org

**Even the best parent doesn't
have all the answers.**



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**Hasta el mejor padre no tiene
todas las respuestas.**



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**Build strengths that will keep you
strong when things get tough.**



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**Desarrolle fortalezas que lo
mantendrán fuerte cuando las
cosas se pongan difíciles.**



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**The power of positive community
can strengthen protective factors
and promote well-being.**



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**El poder de la comunidad positiva
puede fortalecer los factores de
protección y promover el bienestar.**



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Facts About Child Abuse



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Child abuse happens in every part of society.

Rates of PHYSICAL ABUSE AND NEGLECT are affected by socioeconomic status. It is CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE perpetration/victimization that occurs in all parts of society.

Children rarely tell someone they are being abused.

Research found that most child victims delay or never disclose CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE to friends, family or the authorities.

It is EXTREMELY rare for a child to lie about sexual abuse.

False Allegations of SEXUAL ABUSE by children and adolescents are statistically uncommon, occurring at a rate of 2 to 10% of all cases.

While all types of abuse are possible in the home, child neglect is most common.

Children with disabilities are more likely to become victims of abuse than children without disabilities.

Children with disabilities are two to three times more likely to experience CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE than children without disabilities.

Men and women are both capable of sexual abuse.

Research estimates between 10 and 20% of substantiated child sexual abuse claims are perpetrated by females.

Prevención Del Abuso Infantil

Datos Sobre el Abuso Infantil



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El abuso infantil ocurre en todas partes de la sociedad.

Las tasas de ABUSO FÍSICO Y ABANDONO se ven afectadas por el estatus socioeconómico. Es la perpetración/victimización del ABUSO SEXUAL INFANTIL que ocurre en todas las partes de la sociedad.

Los niños rara vez le dicen a alguien que están siendo abusados.

La investigación encontró que la mayoría de las víctimas infantiles retrasan o nunca revelan el ABUSO SEXUAL INFANTIL a amigos, familiares o las autoridades.

Es EXTREMADAMENTE raro que un niño mienta sobre el abuso sexual.

Las denuncias falsas de ABUSO SEXUAL por parte de niños y adolescentes son estadísticamente poco comunes y ocurren en una tasa del 2 al 10% de todos los casos.

Los niños con discapacidades tienen más probabilidades de convertirse en víctimas de abuso que los niños sin discapacidades.

Los niños con discapacidades tienen de dos a tres veces más probabilidades de sufrir ABUSO SEXUAL INFANTIL que los niños sin discapacidades.

Tanto hombres como mujeres son capaces de abusar sexualmente.

Las investigaciones estiman que entre el 10 y el 20 % de las denuncias comprobadas de abuso sexual infantil son perpetradas por mujeres.



Child Abuse Prevention Month: Emotional Abuse Is

Constant belittling, yelling, threatening, bullying, shaming, and humiliating.

Ignoring or rejecting a child as punishment, giving them the silent treatment.

Calling names and making negative comparisons to others.

Limiting physical contact with a child—no hugs, kisses, or other signs of affection.

Telling a child they're "no good," "worthless," "bad," or "a mistake."

Exposing a child to violence against others, whether it is against the other parent, a sibling, or even a pet.



Kern County Child Abuse Hotline
661.631.6011



Prevención Del Abuso Infantil: El abuso emocional es

Constante, gritos, amenazas, intimidación, vergüenza y humillación.

Ignorar o rechazar a un niño como castigo, dándole el trato silencioso.



Poner nombres y hacer comparaciones negativas con los demás.

Limitar el contacto físico con un niño: nada de abrazos, besos u otras muestras de cariño.

Exponer a un niño a la violencia contra otros, ya sea contra el otro parent, un hermano o incluso un animal.



Kern County Línea Directa de Abuso Infantil
661.631.6011

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Raise Awareness
Pledge Card
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
#PassThePinwheel

How can you raise awareness in your community to lower the risk factors of child maltreatment? One easy way is to share on social media using #PassThePinwheel.
If you have other ideas please share by sending your pledge to The Office of Child Abuse Prevention! E-mail to: ocap@cdhs.ca.gov

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Stick Your Pledge Here

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Direct families to the nearest Family Resource Center for support. To find a location scan the QR code or visit www.kcdhs.org/resources/community-resources

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Share my idea
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I commit to prevent the abuse and neglect of California's children by: [examples on back]

I commit to prevent child abuse and neglect in honor of/in memory of:

Examples on back

Ways To Get Started!

Develop a "neighborhood watch" for parents to keep an eye out for the children.

Host a community event at your business to raise awareness.

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Toma la promesa de Prevenir el Abuso Infantil!

CREAR CONCIENCIA
TARJETA DE COMPROMISO
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Maneras De Empezar!

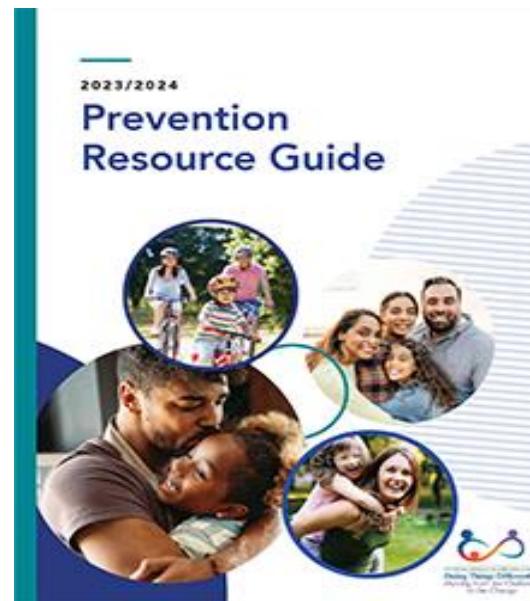
Desarrolle una "vigilancia vecinal" para que los padres estén atentos a los niños.

Organice un evento comunitario en su negocio para crear conciencia.

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April Child Abuse Prevention Month Information

<https://bit.ly/2023AprilCAPM>



www.childwelfare.gov