## Stewards of Children

You can stop abuse in real time.



Child sexual abuse is an epidemic.

1 in 10 children will be sexually abused by their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recognizes child sexual abuse as a public health crisis.

There is a solution. Stewards of Children is a nationally distributed, evidence-based program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child protective behaviors.

Stewards of Children takes a comprehensive approach to educating adults and youth serving organizations to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. It is designed for parents and for any organization that serves youth, including schools and education institutions, faith centers, sports leagues, and law enforcement.

The 2-hour training includes facilitator-led discussion, interactive workbook activity, and compelling video. Stewards of Children also helps organizations ensure the safest space possible for kids by providing the tools and information needed for any group to strengthen child protection policies and procedures.

**Stewards of Children is a program that works.** Multiple studies have shown that Stewards of Children is effective in increasing knowledge, improving attitudes and positively changing adults' child-protective behaviors over the long-term.

Stewards of Children goes beyond awareness, it provides skills. Participants learn specific concrete actions that they can take, as individuals and as a part of bigger organizations, that work to protect children.

You can help stop child sexual abuse. If you are interested in finding out more about Stewards of Children, contact Casey Atwood at (479) 872-6183

casey@childrenssafetycenter.org

The actions you take today may help save a child from unimaginable, undeserving suffering.



The Children's Safety Center empowers children to overcome abuse and begin to trust, hope and heal. Go to childrenssafetycenter.org to find out more.

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The Children's Safety Center provides the *Stewards of Children* child sexual abuse prevention training for parents and adults who work with kids. Participants gain concrete skills for protecting the children in their care. To find out how to get training at your child's school, sports league, place of worship, parent association, or other organization, contact Casey Atwood at (479) 872-6183 or casey@childrenssafetycenter.org

"If you spare one child...
People don't have a clue the
ripples from one child. So
you stop one source of
ripples – that is huge." –
Survivor





- Youth are the victims in 66% of all sexual offenses reported to law enforcement
- Youth are 2.5 times more likely to be raped than adults
- 90% of children who are victims of sexual abuse know their abuser
- 80% or more of child sexual abuse incidents happen in isolated, one-on-one situations

"Thank you for making such a difficult topic a little easier to discuss. As a survivor, this has always been hard to talk about! Thank you for helping me understand how to cope and keep my babies safe!"

- NWA Community Member



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