



We envision a world free of child sexual abuse. Help us make it a reality.



Stewards of Children

- An evidence-informed, proactive approach to child sexual abuse prevention.
- A 2-hour training program featuring a combination of survivor stories, expert advice, and practical guidance.
- Available in English and in Spanish, both online or through a facilitator-led session.

About Darkness to Light

We believe that learning the facts about child sexual abuse helps prevent it. Talking about it helps prevent it. Getting involved helps prevent it. The truth is, if child sexual abuse can be prevented, it can be stopped.

That's why D2L exists – to help individuals, organizations, and communities work together to **end child sexual abuse.**

Quotes provided are actual feedback from Stewards of Children training participants.

“It only takes one person to make a change.”

Find a Stewards of Children training in your area:

D2L.org/NearYou.

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Learn how you can make a difference in your community, and help end child sexual abuse.

To schedule a **FREE*** presentation for your agency, business, school, organization, or group, contact **WASHINGTON COUNTY FAMILY & CHILDREN FIRST**
740-376-7081

*FREE trainings offered while funding is available. Future trainings may be at a minimum cost of \$10 per person.



"I want to share this information with anyone who will listen, so everyone can be aware and come together to help stop children from being victims any longer."

The facts may startle you.

- About 1 in 10 children in the U.S. will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday.
- 93% of victimized children are abused by someone they know and trust.
- 40% of abusers are older or larger youth.

"Keeping kids safe should eclipse all else."

We have to stop it before it starts.

- 73% of children don't tell anyone about abuse for at least a year. Many never tell.
- 50% of sexually abused children suffer trauma that follows them into adulthood.
 - They're 3 times more likely to abuse drugs or alcohol.
 - They're 2 times more likely to drop out of school.
- The economic impact of child sexual abuse is staggering.
 - Cost to U.S. is \$35 billion, annually — second only to murder.

Child sexual abuse is an adult issue.

- As adults, we are solely responsible for the safety of children.
- Kids can't always protect themselves, but we can protect them — by creating prevention policies, recognizing signs of sexual abuse, and confronting and stopping abuse when it occurs.

What is Darkness to Light's Stewards of Children®?

- A current, action-oriented look at child sexual abuse prevention.
- A program that uses real people and real stories to show you how to protect children.
- Practical prevention training with a conversational, real-world approach.

"Stewards of Children brings things into focus and zooms in on the issue."

Why choose Stewards of Children?

- You'll learn the *Five Steps to Protecting Our Children™*, and how they can be applied to keep kids safe.
- You'll learn how a few simple actions can have far-reaching positive effects.
- You'll leave with the understanding that child sexual abuse can be prevented, it can be stopped, and it can be overcome.

"The Five Steps broke the issue down into practical, manageable action areas..."i>

Stewards of Children: a solution.

Child sexual abuse crosses all socio-economic boundaries, cultures, races, and religions. The great news is that by learning how to prevent, respond, and work together, we can make our communities safer places for our children.