

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Define How **You** Will Help Prevent Child Abuse

- SIGN UP** - Commit oneself to a period of employment or education or to some other undertaking.
"He signed up for a ten-week course"
Synonyms: **enlist, contract, join, engage.**
Go ahead; call, e-mail, drop by and sign your name on the dotted line. START. Volunteer as a [CASA](#). Become a [Safe Family For Children](#). Take [Darkness To Light's Stewards of Children training](#).
- SPONSOR** - Provide funds for (a project or activity or the person carrying it out).
"Joe is being sponsored by his church"
Synonyms: **finance, put up the money for, fund, subsidize, back, promote, support, contribute to.**
Perhaps you see the incredible worth of a program or training like [Darkness To Light's Stewards of Children](#) or the Mandated Reporter Training and want your "footprint" to be more pronounced. Sponsor your Sunday School Class, your civic group and your business.
- SUPPORT** - Give assistance to, especially financially; enable to function or act.
"The government gives \$2.5 billion a year to support the activities of the voluntary sector"
Synonyms: **help, aid, assist.**
Maybe you've got the money but can't find the time. Take some time to review Troup County's many services proven to reduce the likelihood of abuse, promote the wellbeing and healing of child victims of abuse or increase the stability of family units, then support one.
- FOSTER** - Encourage or promote the development of something. (*Typically something regarded as good*) "The teacher's task is to foster learning"
Synonyms: **encourage, promote, further, stimulate, advance, forward, cultivate, nurture, strengthen, enrich.**
While we want all adults in Troup County to participate in the Stewards of Children training, we need encouragement and nurturing for other programs that help protect children. Twin Cedars' Safe Families is just one such program.
- RESURRECT** - Revive the practice, use, or memory of (something); bring new vigor to.
"The deal collapsed and has yet to be resurrected"
Synonyms: **revive, restore, regenerate, revitalize, breathe new life into**
If you participated before Easter 2015, you need to resurrect that knowledge with a refresher. When you do so, bring a friend.