



Prevent Child Abuse Nevada™



April 2018 Newsletter

APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Strong, nurturing communities that are supportive of families can get involved and play a role in preventing child abuse and neglect and promoting child and family well-being.



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Social Media!*



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National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Go **BLUE** on April 6th to
Support Happy
Childhoods!

Wear **BLUE** on **Friday, April 6th** in support of every child's right to a happy, healthy, and safe childhood!

Please post your photos on social media using the hashtag **#GoBlueNV**

Feel free to distribute and share the Go Blue flyer with all your friends and family! To see the flyer, [click here](#).





Pinwheels for Prevention Events are Underway!

Many organizations across Nevada are hosting Pinwheel Events or are displaying pinwheels to support Child Abuse Prevention Month!

[*See the complete list to find local events here!***](#)**

And come out in support of Child Abuse Prevention



JOIN US!

What is Pinwheels for Prevention?

The Pinwheels for Prevention is a nationwide campaign created to promote change in how our communities think about prevention and how we can deliver on our commitment to America's children. The pinwheel is an uplifting reminder of childhood and the bright futures all children deserve. More information about this campaign can be found **[HERE!](#)**

Family Activities and Events

Southern Nevada Family Events

8th Annual Summerlin Half Marathon
April 7 @ 7am-11am
Downtown Summerlin
1980 Festival Plaza Dr LV, NV, 89135
[More Information Here](#)

Pirate Fest
April 20-22 @ 12pm-6:00pm
Craig Ranch Park
628 W Craig Rd, N Las Vegas, NV 89032
[More Information Here](#)

Superheros Go Blue!
April 28 @ 10am-1:00pm
Galleria Mall @ Sunset
[More Information Here](#)

Northern Nevada Family Events

Pinwheel Planting in Carson City
April 6 @ 12pm
Nevada State Legislature
[More Information Here](#)

Biggest Little Half Marathon/10k/5k
April 14 @ 8am
Reno Arch
155 N Virginia St, Reno, NV 89501
[More Information Here](#)

Reno Earth Day 2018
April 22 @ 11am-6pm
Idlewild Park
2055 Idlewild Drive Reno, NV 89509
[More Information Here](#)

Want to be in the know for future family fun??

PCA Nevada has **MORE** family friendly events on our website!

[Click here to view more events in your area!](#)

APRIL CRAFTS & ACTIVITY



Make a Pinwheel

What You Will Need:

· 1 square piece of paper 1 regular straw 1 brad

Directions:

1. Cut out the box above. 2. Cut the square paper on the diagonal lines to make the blades. 3. Punch holes in one corner of each blade. 4. Punch hole in the end of a regular straw. 5. Fold over the blades and push brad through the holes. 6. Poke brad through center of pinwheel. 7. Slide through washer #1. 8. Slide through straw. 9. Fold out the flaps of the brad.

More Pinwheel Crafts: http://nic.unlv.edu/pcan/pinwheels_for_prevention.html

Tips for Parents!

Empowering children & impressing the importance of self-control, respect, and consent.



We must raise children to respect all life. We cannot pick and choose which people/things deserve better treatment than others, it must be understood and children must be involved in learning and living that all life is a gift, we are all connected and equally deserving to be treated with compassion.

We cannot end child sexual abuse without also impacting other very serious issues - violence against women, racism, gender-equality, discrimination against those

with disabilities, the poor, bullying, all forms of crime, war, etc. When we see any living creature, we must acknowledge its value and that it must be protected, not judged, ridiculed, or violated.

Read books to your children about respect, use examples in daily life, stories in the news etc to involve your children on a frequent basis how important it is to treat people with care and have compassion for not just the physical safety of others, but also their emotions.

We can teach, even toddlers, to pay attention to the feelings of others. When they take a toy from another child, hit or purposely scare, how does that person look? Do they look sad? Happy? We don't want to do things to other people that will hurt them or make them sad, and people should not do things to us that cause us pain or make us sad, either. As much as we need to protect our children from being abused, we must also protect them from becoming abusive - and it starts with empathy.

Adapted from: <http://www.themamabeareffect.org/empowering-our-children.html>

Updates on Children's Policies

Nevada Policy

Nevada Legislative Commission Approves the Adoption of the Child Safety Health Content Standards

On Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., The Legislative Commission met and their agenda included a review of (NAC 389.2423, 389.2938, 389.381, 389.455). This regulation revises the performance standards for a course of study in health, including, without limitation, concepts relating to safe personal space, safety practices when using electronic devices and privacy on the Internet, for pupils enrolled in prekindergarten, kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive.

This regulation was passed during the meeting. For more information, you can view the video archive here: [Legislative Committee Hearing](#)

National Policy

Congress Comes to Final Agreement on Fiscal Year 2018 Spending Levels

On March 23, Congress passed the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018* to fund the Federal Government for the remainder of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. Congressional passage came just 23 hours before the fifth short-term stop-gap spending measure for FY 2018 was set to expire, and without action, a government shutdown threat loomed. The *Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018*, which was signed into law on February 9, paved the way for significant increases to both defense and non-defense spending, enabling many programs to receive a boost for FY 2018.

The *Consolidated Appropriations Act* included major increases in programs for children and families. Opioid-specific funding initiatives will receive \$3.3 billion and include prevention, treatment and law enforcement.

Highlights include:

- A historic increase in Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) state grants from \$25 to \$85 million. The increase is aimed at assisting states to implement plans of safe care, and is the first increase in CAPTA state grants since 2005;

- A near doubling of Child Care and Development Block Grants (CCDBG) to \$5.226 billion, which is a \$2.37 billion increase above the FY 2017 level;
- An increase in Head Start, including the Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership and preservation of the Preschool Development Grants;
- \$75 million for the Adoption and Kinship Incentive Fund;
- \$20 million for Kinship Navigator Programs and \$20 million to supplement the Regional Partnership Grants to fund community collaborations among substance abuse treatment, courts and child welfare agencies to improve the lives of children and families affected by opioids and other substance use disorders;
- \$100 million to the Administration for Children and Families to help children whose parents suffer from addiction.

The *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018* can be viewed [here](#).

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