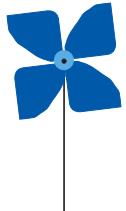
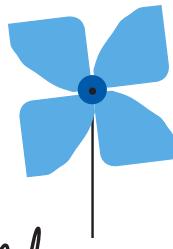


TEN WAYS

To Help Prevent Child Abuse



#1 Be a Nurturing Parent

Children need to know that they are special, loved and capable of following their dreams.

#2 Help a Friend, Neighbor or Relative

Being a parent isn't easy. Offer a helping hand taking care of the children so the parent(s) can rest or spend time together.

#3 Help Yourself

When the big and little problems of your everyday life pile up to the point you feel overwhelmed and out of control - take time out. Don't take it out on your kid.

#4 If your baby cries....

It can be frustrating to hear your baby cry. Learn what to do if your baby won't stop crying. Never shake a baby - shaking a child may result in severe injury or death.

#5 Get Involved

Ask your community leaders, clergy, library and schools to develop services to meet the needs of healthy children and families.

#6 Help to Develop Parenting Resources at Your Local Library

Find out whether your local library has parenting resources, and if it does not, offer to help obtain some.

#7 Promote Programs in School

Teaching children, parents and teachers prevention strategies can help to keep children safe.

#8 Monitor Your Child's Television, Video and Internet Viewing/Usage

Watching violent films, TV programs and videos can harm young children.

#9 Volunteer at the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center

For information call the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center at (847)377-3155.

#10 Report Suspected Abuse or Neglect

If you have reason to believe a child has been or may be harmed call the Department of Children & Family Services 1-800-25-ABUSE.

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