



KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS OF CHILD ABUSE!

- Unexplained or suspicious bruises, welts, burns, or fractures
- Unkempt or malnourished appearance
- Depression, anxiety, or sudden mood swings
- Disturbed sleep
- Abrupt changes in behavior (eating habits, school performance, withdrawal, aggression)
- Fear of a certain person or place
- Self-harm or suicide attempts
- Wetting or soiling accidents not related to toilet training
- Pain during urination and/or bowel movements
- Sexually transmitted diseases or urinary tract infections
- Discoloration or scarring of genital area
- Unusual knowledge of body parts or sex
- Acting out sexually with toys or other children

Always take seriously a child's talk of being abused. Child abuse occurs at every socioeconomic level, across ethnic and cultural lines, within all religions and at all levels of education. By promoting awareness and dialogue, we can all help prevent abuse from happening in the first place and help keep our children safe.

***The staff of Advocacy Network for Children would like to wish everyone
a safe and happy Memorial Day!***

Ali, Danielle, Diane, Jamie C., Jamie P., Jessica, Karolina, Libby, Mandy, Sue, Todd



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

09 Noon Networking - Quincy office

27 Office closed

June

13 Noon Networking - Quincy office

We currently have the following volunteer needs:

- Happy Bear Presentations
- CASA Volunteers
- Fundraising

If you would like to help, please contact our office at 217-223-2272.

Our agency could not continue its mission of advocating for children without your help. You can help by:

- Monetary Donation
- Endowment Fund Donation
- Office Supply Donation

KOINS FOR KIDS

Our newest CASA programs held their first “Koins for Kids” events in Pittsfield, Carthage, Hamilton and Jacksonville. The purpose of the events was to bring awareness while raising funds to help in our mission of protecting the rights of abused and neglected children.

We had wonderful community support and would like to thank our volunteers and everyone who made a donation. Pike County CASA raised \$666.62, Hancock County CASA raised \$161.97 and Morgan County CASA raised \$120.62. We would also like to thank Farm & Home Supply and County Market in Pittsfield, County Market in Carthage, Hy-Vee in Hamilton, and Midland Farm & Home Supply in Jacksonville for allowing us to use their businesses as collection sites.

CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH APRIL AWARENESS EVENTS

Hancock County CASA hosted a “Pinwheel Planting” at the Hancock County Courthouse on April 8th. A flag raising event honoring victims of child abuse was held in Quincy at the Adams County Courthouse on April 12th.

Prevention begins with awareness. By rallying our neighbors, businesses, schools, friends and families, we can make a difference in the lives of abused and neglected children.

We would like to thank everyone who attended these event as well as Assistant State’s Attorney Todd Eyler, Adams County Sheriff Brian VonderHaar, Sgt. James Brown and the Quincy Police Department Honor Guard for their participation at the flag raising.



THANK YOU

United Community Credit Union employee’s donated \$359.00. Employees were allowed to wear jeans on Fridays throughout the month of March if they made a donation to the agency. Money raised was in honor of National Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month in April.

We truly appreciate your support of our agency, its mission and programs!

**** When shopping at Amazon Smile, choose Advocacy Network for Children as your charity and Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase price to us! ****



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