

# The Problem No One Wants to Talk About

One in ten children will be sexually abused before age 18



- ▶ Half are under age 10
- ▶ 90% know their abuser

## A Lifetime of Hurt

When unreported and untreated, child sexual abuse can cause many serious adult health problems, including:

- ▶ Substance Abuse
- ▶ Mental Illness
- ▶ Chronic Disease

Next to murder, child sexual abuse is [the most expensive crime in America](#).



Stewards of Children is a free two-hour program that will teach you steps you can take to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse.

### When You Join Us for Stewards...

- ▶ You'll develop an increased awareness of the prevalence, circumstances and consequences of child sexual abuse.
- ▶ You'll gain new skills to prevent child sexual abuse and recognize and react responsibly when it does occur.
- ▶ You'll become empowered to make changes in your home and workplace to ensure child safety.

### Recommended For All Adults

Stewards of Children is recommended for all parents and caregivers of children and teens. Stewards is also recommended for staff and volunteers at churches, schools, child care centers and all other groups that serve youth.

### Stewards of Children is...

#### Compelling

Stewards features moving video stories of survivors who find hope after abuse.

#### Motivational

You'll discuss child safety issues with other participants and develop a personal plan to implement what you've learned in class.

#### Effective

Stewards works! It's recognized as a model program by the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

## Join the Movement

- ▶ Find upcoming Stewards classes
- ▶ Sign up for Stewards
- ▶ Request a training for your group

[www.safespotwilkes.org/stewards](http://www.safespotwilkes.org/stewards)

## JOIN the MOVEMENT

LET'S END  
CHILD SEXUAL  
ABUSE.



### Help Make It Happen

Join the movement to [prevent child sexual abuse](#) in Wilkes County. Working together...

- ▶ We will [learn about child sexual abuse](#) and how to prevent it.
- ▶ We will [implement abuse prevention practices](#) in our homes, schools, churches and youth serving organizations.
- ▶ Whether it's talking with a child about boundaries, confronting an adult about problematic behavior, or making an abuse report, we will [step outside our comfort zones to keep kids safe](#).
- ▶ And we will keep up our education efforts until we [reach the tipping point](#)—5% of the adult population—so keeping kids safe becomes second nature in Wilkes County.

Stewards of Children  
child sexual abuse prevention training  
is presented by



Communities  
In Schools

Wilkes County  
North Carolina



**Our vision:** Make Wilkes County the safest place for children in North Carolina.

**Our goal:** Train 5% of the adult population of Wilkes County in Stewards of Children.

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The Kulynych Family Foundation

Welcome to Wilkes County

*The safest place for children  
in North Carolina*

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Movement to  
Protect Our  
Children**



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PREVENTION TRAINING  
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