As a provider of programming for children and youth, your organization plays a vital role in protecting children. The following resources are available to you to continue doing everything you can to keep kids safe from child sexual abuse.

**DARKNESS TO LIGHT RESOURCES**

7 Steps to Protecting Our Children

7 Steps to Protecting our Children is an introductory guide for responsible adults interested in the prevention of child sexual abuse. The 7 Steps outline the Darkness to Light core principles for preventing, recognizing, and reacting responsibly to child sexual abuse and form the framework for the adult training program, Stewards of Children™. Download the 7 Steps at [www.D2L.org/7steps](http://www.D2L.org/7steps).

Stewards of Children

Stewards of Children is the only nationally available program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child-protective behaviors. This revolutionary program is for any responsible adult who cares about the welfare of children. (See [www.D2L.org/Stewards_Evidence](http://www.D2L.org/Stewards_Evidence) for information about the efficacy of the program).

Stewards of Children is available online for individual use at [www.D2L.org/online](http://www.D2L.org/online) or can be taught in group sessions led by Authorized Facilitators who have been trained by D2L. To see a list of sessions being offered in your area or to find a facilitator, visit [www.D2L.org/NearYou](http://www.D2L.org/NearYou).

Partner in Prevention is a distinction that an organization can earn when they commit to child protection policy and child abuse prevention training for all staff and volunteers. To learn more about the Partner in Prevention program, visit [www.D2L.org/Partner](http://www.D2L.org/Partner).

Additional Tools Available at D2L.org

D2L’s website includes many tools for organizations which include information on:

- Screening of Employees and Volunteers
- Policy tips
- Reporting suspected abuse
- Identifying if you are at risk
YOUTH PROTECTION POLICY

Organizations that work with children and youth must strive to create safe environments for youth, employees, and volunteers so that young people can grow, learn, and have fun. It is vital that youth-serving organizations create a culture where child sexual abuse is discussed, addressed, and prevented. The Centers for Disease Control has published a document entitled Preventing Child Sexual Abuse Within Youth-serving Organizations: Getting Started on Policies and Procedures to assist organizations. This guide is available at www.cdc.gov/ViolencePrevention/pub/PreventingChildAbuse.html.

HELP RESOURCES

A comprehensive list of resources is available at www.D2L.org/GetHelp. The following lists a few additional resources.

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678)
Cyber Tipline 1-800-843-5678
www.missingkids.com

Child Help
National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-4-A-CHILD
www.childhelp.org

Stop It Now!
1-888-PREVENT
www.stopitnow.org

National Center for Safety Initiatives
866-833-7100
www.ncsisafe.com

National Council on Youth Sports
772-781-1482
www.ncys.org