

*Come help us advocate for children  
and their families...  
An investment in the Life of a Child  
can last a Lifetime...*



**GRANDPARENTS & OTHERS  
.... UNITED ....  
FOR POSITIVE CHANGES**  
... Advocating For Children & Families ...

**Our Mission: To Educate and Bring Awareness to  
the Neglect and Abuse of Children and  
Work for Changes to Better Protect Them.**



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**Meeting the 1st Sunday of month from 2-4 p.m.  
First United Methodist Church - 236 7th Ave. South  
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*"Never doubt that a small group of  
thoughtful committed citizens can  
change the world. Indeed it is the  
only thing that ever has."*

*-Margaret Mead*



*A hundred years from now... it will not matter what  
my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or  
the kind of car I drove... but the world may be different,  
because I was important  
in the life of a child!*

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## Working together we can...

- Be a powerful voice to better protect our grandchildren and other children in our community...
- Advocate for earlier intervention and positive changes for all children...
- Be a support system to one another with a listening ear and a caring heart...
- Work together to change the laws for grandparents' rights and children's rights...
- Help people to understand what the children go through and how helpless grandparents and other family members feel...
- Be treated with respect and informed of resources available to help us with our grandchildren...
- Through action in our community, advocate and work for social change to meet the best interests of all children and their families...
- Develop a community of caring people that will help, listen and most of all, **take action**...

## Our Mission

To educate and bring awareness to the neglect and abuse of children and work for changes to better protect them with early intervention being the goal -- To advocate for the children and their families to get the help needed in partnering with them for success -  
- To work towards togetherness and understanding in our community and become an engaging and supportive community who realizes that every child is important and deserves the very best chance at life.

## Our Belief

"Protecting Children is Everyone's Job". Children are our most precious valuable resources and provide our hope for a brighter tomorrow... Every child deserves to be loved, cared for and to live in a safe, healthy and stimulating environment in which to grow and mature.  
Child Abuse is a community issue and finding solutions depends on involvement and partnering among people throughout the community to promote and support safe, healthy families in our community and all work diligently together in supporting parents to raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment...  
Prevention and early intervention are crucial to prevent irreversible damage to children... We must PREVENT -- not just respond to -- child abuse and neglect... Our priorities and choices must be the early healthy development of all CHILDREN...

*It shouldn't hurt to be a child.*