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Everyone Plays a Role...

It's true what they say; it does take a village to raise a child. Teachers, neighbors, police officers, bank tellers, and store clerks can all make a difference in the life of a child by helping to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Supporting parents and creating strong communities, where the best interest of all children is most important, can keep kids safe, healthy and secure.

We all play a part in preventing child abuse and neglect.

Here is how you can take an active role:

- Be a nurturing parent
- Get to know your neighbors and the parents of your child's friends
- Teach your child how to protect him/herself from harm
- Call the police if you know a child is in immediate danger
- Help parents who are under stress by offering to baby sit or run errands for them
- Support prevention policies and legislation
- Become a mentor to a child
- Volunteer for a child abuse prevention agency
- Become an advocate for children
- Report any suspicions of abuse and/or neglect to authorities.



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If you suspect a child is being abused or neglected call:

1-800-RICHILD

Big Sisters of Rhode Island

1540 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920
401.921.2434 www.bigsistersri.org

Big Brothers of R.I., Inc.

3300 Pawtucket Avenue East Providence, RI 02915
401.432.9955 www.bigbrothersri.org/home.htm

RI Court Appointed Special Advocates

One Dorrance Plaza Providence, RI 02903
401.458.3330 www.courts.state.ri.us/family/casa.htm

Prevent Child Abuse America – Legislative Action Center

Prevent Child Abuse America
228 South Wabash Avenue 10th Floor Chicago, IL 60604
312.663.3520
http://member.preventchildabuse.org/site/PageServer?pagename=adv_main

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Please share this information with the families in your programs. Thank you!