

*How YOU can help  
protect children in OUR  
community*

- **Parents**—make sure your child's basic needs are met on a daily basis; these basics are the start for protecting our children.
- **Family Members** – help out where you can and encourage your family in positive parenting; help from close family can help decrease the stress level of parents.
- **Neighbors**—get to know your neighbors; developing these relationships increases the strengths of families and supports.
- **Teachers**—become more involved in the community to know your student's families and/or cultures; increased awareness of families situations and cultures can increase communication and positive relationships.
- **Community Members**—look for opportunities to donate to support child abuse prevention, coats to children, food to the local food pantries; all of these support child abuse prevention AND it DOES take a village to raise a child.



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**Protecting children is  
EVERYONE'S Business!**



## *Four Strategies of CPPC*

1. **Shared Decision Making** promotes shared leadership for collaborative efforts that promote community responsibility for the safety and well-being of children. Shared Decision Making Teams include interested community members, agency staff, parents, service providers, and youth.
2. **Community Neighborhood Networking** promotes cooperation and forms alliances to provide more accessible and relevant informal and professional supports, services, and resources for families. Activities include efforts to increase awareness of CPPC, prevent child abuse and neglect, and support healthy families.
3. **Family and Youth Centered Engagement** genuinely engages families and youth to identify strengths, resources, and supports to reduce barriers and help families succeed. By creating a support system, we are fulfilling the idea of a “village raising a child.” By identifying and building off of families’ strengths, they are empowered to care and provide for their children.
4. **Policy and Practice Change** improves policies and practices that reduce barriers and increase accessibility and relevance of services that lead to positive family outcomes.

## *Brief History of CPPC*

JC CPPC became a part of the statewide initiative of the Department of Human Services in 2003. Every county in the state has a local CPPC coordinator.

The community approach to protecting children makes keeping children safe everyone’s business! We embody the idea that it take a village to raise a child; and together, we can help establish that village.



## *Sponsored Activities*

- ⊗ Kites for Kids events
- ⊗ Juneteenth Commemoration
- ⊗ Financial support for local agencies and projects through the mini-grant program
- ⊗ Community education on the prevention of child abuse and neglect including resources and data information
- ⊗ Infant and Child Safety Partnership support to provide child car seats to families
- ⊗ Provides teen transitioning totes to teens exiting from the foster care system

