



Stewards of Children

Thank you for your interest in Darkness to Light's *Stewards of Children*[™] child sexual abuse prevention program. Darkness to Light is a national nonprofit headquartered in Charleston, South Carolina whose mission is to empower people to prevent child sexual abuse. At Darkness to Light, we believe that adults are responsible for the safety of children and we appreciate your desire to help protect the children in your community by exploring our program.



WHAT IS STEWARDS OF CHILDREN?

Stewards of Children is a prevention training program that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. The program is designed for organizations that serve youth and for individuals concerned about the safety of children. It is the only nationally distributed, evidencebased program proven to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and change child protective behaviors. Research findings from independent evaluators are available on www.D2L.org.

WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES OF THE PROGRAM?

- Increased awareness of the prevalence, consequences, and circumstances of child sexual abuse.
- New skills for adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse.
- Positive change to organizational policies and procedures.
- Individual commitment to action through a personal prevention plan.

WHAT ARE THE DISTINCTIVE FEATURES?

- A three-part DVD presentation integrating commentary from sexual abuse survivors, experts in the field and other concerned adults all providing practical guidance for preventing and responding to sexual abuse.





- An interactive workbook designed to facilitate discussion, reinforce key concepts, and serve as a resource guide and personal action plan for resolving child sexual abuse.
- A Facilitator-led discussion about important issues in sexual abuse prevention and the relevance of these issues within the community and organizations that serve children.

WHO USES THE PROGRAM?

Stewards of Children is for anyone who wants to make a difference in their community by educating adults about the protection of children. It is also used by organizations, businesses, and corporations who:

- Seek training for staff and volunteers in the prevention of child sexual abuse.
- Look to enhance their child protection policies and procedures or respond to insurance requirements.
- Want to lead a community-based initiative and offer prevention training to the community.

HOW IS THE PROGRAM DELIVERED?

Stewards of Children is a 2.5 hour training program available online at www.D2L.org or led by an Authorized Facilitator who has been trained by Darkness to Light. Authorized Facilitators are located throughout the United States and internationally. *Stewards of Children* is also available in Spanish. For a list of Authorized Facilitators (including Spanish speaking), please see the Facilitator Directory at www.D2L.org.

HOW CAN I BRING STEWARDS OF CHILDREN TO MY COMMUNITY?

Visit www.D2L.org to find a Facilitator and bring a *Stewards of Children* session to your organization, to find out how to become an Authorized Facilitator or to get your entire community involved in a grassroots community initiative to prevent child sexual abuse. We welcome your partnership!

Join the movement to end childhood sexual abuse:

To act now or find out more about our programs, please call 843.965.5444 or email stewards@D2L.org www.D2L.org