

DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Community Information Bulletin

Serving and Protecting the City of Darien, Illinois



CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Protecting Our Children • Building Stronger Families • April 2026

□ Awareness • Prevention • Action □



THE PINWHEEL: NATIONAL SYMBOL OF HOPE

The pinwheel is the national symbol for Child Abuse Prevention Month. It represents the bright futures all children deserve — full of joy, freedom, and the chance to grow in a safe and nurturing environment. When you see a pinwheel in April, it is a reminder that every child deserves to thrive.

WHAT IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH?

Designated by Congress in 1983, April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month — a time to acknowledge the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. The Darien Police Department is committed to the safety and well-being of every child in our community. Awareness, education, and early intervention save lives.



1 in 7

children experience abuse or neglect in the U.S. each year



90%

of child sexual abuse victims know their abuser personally



4×

more likely to develop mental health issues without help



RESOURCES & REPORTING

Illinois DCFS Abuse Hotline: 1-800-25-ABUSE (1-800-252-2873) — Available 24/7

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-422-4453 — Crisis intervention & referrals

Illinois DCFS Online: illinois.gov/dcfs | Darien PD: (630) 971-3999 | EMERGENCY: 911



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