

Front Porch Project®

Learn how to protect PA's kids from abuse.

We each have a role to play in protecting children and supporting families. Learn how you can make a difference.

Bringing The Front Porch Project® to Your Community

The Front Porch Project is a national, research-supported, community-based initiative built upon the belief that all people who are concerned about the safety and well-being of children in their communities can be encouraged and taught to make a difference. This concept is much the same as a good neighbor sitting on the “front porch” who, in years past, would have been aware of and involved in solving problems affecting families they knew. American front porches were more than convenient sitting places; they served as networking centers where concerned friends could share information and devise support systems to help each other through difficult times. During the Front Porch Project training, participants learn:

- How and when to safely respond when you are worried about a child in your neighborhood or in a public place
- To understand the issues affecting families today
- The many ways we can all help to protect all children

In Pennsylvania, The Front Porch Project is operated by Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance (PFSA), a statewide child abuse prevention program. We offer the two-day training program, in partnership with local organizations, at no charge.

To offer the program in local communities, we need a local sponsor – nonprofit organization, business, county or city government or a group of interested citizens. The local sponsor provides:

- Meeting space for maximum of 30 people for 2 days (day 1 and 2 are scheduled approximately 3-4 weeks apart)
- Morning refreshments and lunch for maximum of 30 people for 2 days
- Assistance in marketing the training within your community

PA Family Support Alliance will provide:

- Two Front Porch Project certified trainers for 2 days
- All participant handout materials and training supplies
- Registration of participants and reminders to attend
- News releases and other promotional materials for the event



- Training for professionals
- Support for families
- Education for communities

Interested? Contact Beth Bitler, Program Director at PFSA at 800-448-4906 or bbitler@pa-fsa.org