

# 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 (FPP) is a research-supported, community-based initiative based on the belief that prevention of child abuse is everyone's business. We believe that everyone who is concerned about the safety and well-being of children in the community can be encouraged to help and taught how to make a difference. In years past, American front porches were more than convenient sitting places; they served as networking centers where friends and neighbors could look out for neighborhood children and help each other through difficult times. Today, The Front Porch Project brings that same spirit to communities through skills-based training.

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

Training is available in several formats. During the 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 effecting families today
- The many ways we can all help to protect all children

A local sponsor – nonprofit organization, business, county/city government or a group of interested citizens – works with PFSA to bring FPP to the community. The local sponsor provides:

- Meeting space for maximum of 30 people.
- Lunch for maximum of 30 people, or nearby access to quick lunch options.
- Marketing the training within your community, in cooperation with PFSA.
- Payment of the \$250 fully refundable training fee. The deposit is completely returned to you after the training. Our training agreement outlines the sponsor's responsibilities.

PA Family Support Alliance will provide:

- Front Porch Project certified trainer(s)
- All participant handout materials and training supplies
- Registration of participants and reminders to attend
- News releases and other promotional materials for the event
- Evaluation report following the training



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

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