



Child Abuse Prevention Month

Since 1985, April has been nationally recognized as Child Abuse Prevention Month. The Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention & The Children's Trust Fund have used this special time each year to acknowledge the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child maltreatment.

Honor a child or family in Alabama... Donate today to recognize someone special in your life or the life of a child. Visit our website www.ctf.alabama.gov to make a donation in honor of a special child, family, or anyone that has made a difference in the life of a child. Through your donation, your honoree's name will be placed on a pinwheel to plant in our garden. Once your donation is made through our website please contact Dawn Miller by **Friday, March 31, 2017** at dawn.miller@ctf.alabama.gov with your honoree's name.

You are invited... Please join us at our pinwheel planting event **Tuesday April 4, 2017, at 10:00 AM** in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month. (Note: The pinwheel is the nationally recognized symbol for child abuse and neglect prevention. It also symbolizes the belief that every child has the right to grow and flourish to his/her full potential within a nurturing environment.)

We will be planting our pinwheel garden at **201 Monroe Street Montgomery, AL 36104**. This is directly across the street from the RSA Tower building.

This event brings together people to recognize and honor all the children and families of Alabama. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

The Court Square Fountain in downtown Montgomery will be blue **April 1-10, 2017** in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

At sunset, on Tuesday, **April 4, 2017** the RSA buildings will be recognizing the importance of families and communities by turning their lights blue.

The REALTORS® have long been a supporter and partner in preventing child abuse. We will be placing another pinwheel garden at the REALTOR's building **Friday, March 31, 2017**. We will have blue pinwheels displayed outside their building the month of April.

Wear Blue Day... Wear Blue on **Friday, April 7, 2017** in support of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

A special thank you to the City of Montgomery, the Retirement Systems of Alabama & the REALTORS® for supporting our efforts of preventing child abuse and neglect.

Visit our website www.ctf.alabama.gov to see other April activities planned across the state to recognize Child Abuse Prevention Month.