

...just a reminder that you're receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in Stop It Now!. Don't forget to add communications@stopitnow.org to your address book so we'll be sure to land in your inbox!

You may [unsubscribe](#) if you no longer wish to receive our emails.



# Stop It Now!®

Together We Can Prevent the Sexual Abuse of Children

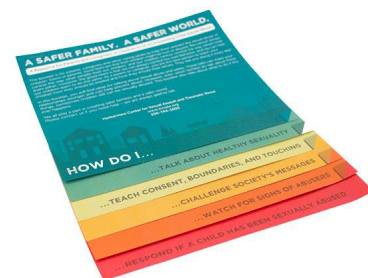
July 2016

## Dear Prevention Community,

Prevention comes in so many forms. From understanding and clarifying how we talk about child sexual abuse to where we go to learn more and get support, there are many opportunities everywhere for anyone who wants to take a step toward creating safe environments for children. This issue of Stop It Now!'s E-News focuses on some of the diverse ways we can all take an active role in prevention.

Prevention comes in the form of funding; supporting our efforts and resources to provide prevention concepts and skills to adults everywhere. Stop It Now! is excited to share that we've received a one-year grant from **Raliance** - a collaborative initiative dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation. This grant will help fund our organization's promising training series to help strengthen communities' and organizations' capacity to create safe environments. With this funding, we will be able to train foster parent programs through our Circles of Safety training, along with rigorous evaluation. In total, Raliance is funding 27 projects across the country totaling \$1.2 million in the first year. *For more information about this grant and Raliance, [click here](#).*

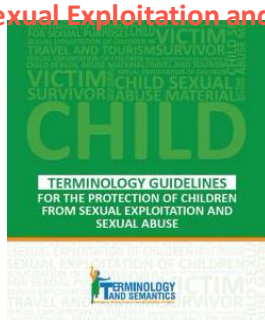
A new prevention resource booklet, "**A Safer Family. A Safer World**", on child sexual abuse from the **Harborview Center for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress** in Washington State helps adults responsible for caring for children with specific language and actions to best support safe environments and relationships. *For additional information, [click here](#).*



Sometimes prevention comes in the form of telling an important story - even when that story may be controversial. This month, PBS's award-winning series, POV, presents **Pervert Park**, a documentary about individuals living in a Florida trailer park who have been convicted of committing sex offenses. The film seeks to deepen our understanding of this complex issue and open up dialogue around management policies and sexual violence prevention. View the trailer [here](#). **Please be aware of a HIGH TRIGGER ALERT as actual crimes of sexual abuse are described.** *For more info, [click here](#).*

How prevention professionals talk about sexual abuse can make a difference in policy, advocacy, laws and treatment. International child rights non-governmental organizations (NGOs), along with international and regional law enforcement agencies and at the initiative of ECPAT International created, "**Terminology Guidelines for the Protection of Children from**

**Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse"** to help clear up confusion and create consistency across global prevention efforts. [Read more.](#)



Training, training and more training - education is a primary prevention tool. There are many important and valuable conferences addressing what we can do to prevent violence in all our many roles. [Click here](#) for a brief list of upcoming conferences and training.

There are so many more opportunities to take active prevention steps. The more you know - the more we know - the more we're able to keep children healthy and safe.

Hoping you are enjoying a summer of fun, family and well-being.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jenny Coleman".

Jenny Coleman, Director  
Stop It Now!



## Rialiance Grant

Stop It Now! is excited to share that we've received a one-year grant from Rialiance - a collaborative initiative dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation - to continue and help fund our organization's promising training series, Circles of Safety. Circles of Safety will be implemented and evaluated in participating specialized foster care programs in the northeast region and will help strengthen communities' and organizations' capacity to create safe environments. In total, Rialiance is funding 27 projects across the country totaling \$1.2 million in the first year. Rialiance is composed of three top sexual violence prevention organizations: the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC), the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA)-PreventConnect and the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence (NAESV).

For more information about Rialiance and this exciting initiative:

- [Press Release](#)
- [USA Today article](#)

## "A Safer Family. A Safer World"

"A Safer Family. A Safer World" is a **new prevention resource** aimed at parents and caregivers of children 0-12, and is also useful for providers working with children. The content is research-based and offers best practices of primary prevention, focusing specifically on proactive things people can do and say. It is written at a 6th grade reading level, and has now been translated into 10 languages.

The booklet is free online ([PDF download](#)), and printed copies can also be ordered. Currently, there are printed copies in English and Spanish as well as a customizable version with a blank space where local programs can adhere their own label on the last page.

---

## PBS Documentary "Pervert Park"

Pervert Park begs the question of whether lifetime registries, monitoring, and restrictions on housing and work options are effective in protecting communities. How do we both protect public safety and implement just policies? What should we do with hundreds of thousands of people who have been convicted of sex offenses and completed their sentences? Are victims well-served by current public policies? Are we?

*"Although many of their crimes are unspeakable, what do we as a community gain from our willful silence? If we hope to curb the cycle and culture of sexual violence, is there value in exploring the lives of sex offenders, regardless of how heartbreaking and difficult it might be?" - Filmmakers of Pervert Park: Lasse and Frida Barkfors*

**Watch the film** online for free from July 12th - August 10th. You can also **borrow the DVD for free** to host your own screenings. Download free resources, including an accompanying discussion guide and high school lesson plan (coming soon) from the **Partner Toolkit**. Follow the film and join the conversation online: #PervertParkFilmPBS @povdocs. **Please be aware of a HIGH TRIGGER ALERT as actual crimes of sexual abuse are described.**

---

## Terminology Guidelines

To strengthen and make more consistent the language used to describe child sexual abuse and associated terminology, international and regional child rights and law enforcement agencies represented in an Interagency Working Group, launched an in depth analysis and discussion. Initiated through ECPAT International, the result is the **"Terminology Guidelines for the Protection of Children from Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse"**.

*"In these important guidelines, policy makers, professional associations and child rights defenders find a crucial resource to provide precision in terminology, enhance accuracy in the development of monitoring tools, and gain conceptual clarity to mobilise efforts for the safeguard of children's freedom from sexual violence across regions,"* said Marta Santos Pais, the Special Representative to the UN Secretary General on Violence against Children.



### Staff

**Patricia Wilcox**, Vice President of Strategic Development - Klingberg Family Centers, Inc.

**Jenny Coleman**, Director

**Leila Lawrence**, Communications Associate

**Joanna Goodman**, Helpline Consultant

**Micah Waxman**, Helpline Consultant

**Deborah Donovan Rice**, Consultant - Program Manager

[VISIT OUR WEBSITE](#)

Three Ways to Give

Donate Now



© 2016 Stop It Now! All Rights Reserved.