



# Stop It Now!

Together We Can Prevent the Sexual Abuse of Children

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## Greetings!

While US attention of late has focused on the [Penn State-Sandusky case](#), Stop It Now! has continued actively sharing our expertise globally through conference presentations, joint research, and learning partnerships in emerging countries.

Our international work is built on the foundation of our [US community based prevention programming](#), which recognizes the need for adapting prevention initiatives to the specific contexts and interests of communities. Read on for updates and highlights from that work.

## Global Prevention

Since 2009 Stop It Now! has been extending our work globally, with generous support from the [Oak Foundation \(Geneva\)](#), a leading foundation funding child abuse prevention work. We have increased our global presence through online channels, and participation in key meetings and networks. *We have benefited greatly in so many ways.*



Partnering for prevention

If you are working on child sexual abuse prevention outside the US, especially in a less-industrialized country, please tell us more about your work.

## Take Action!

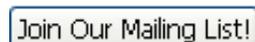
- Take our [Prevention Programming survey](#) for NGOs in emerging countries.
- Read about our [partnership with the Centre for Applied Childhood Studies](#) at the Univ. of Huddersfield (UK).
- Help us build our database of resources for child sexual abuse prevention. [Contact us](#) to share information about organizations, websites, publications, campaigns

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## Presentation on Culturally Informed Partnerships



This spring, Stop It Now! presented in Accra, Ghana at the [Second International Conference in Africa](#) on Child Sexual Abuse. This conference is organized by the African Movement for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

(AMPCAN) and the African Network for the Prevention and Protection of Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPCAN).

Sarita Hudson, who leads our NGO partnerships in emerging countries, organized the plenary and workshop presentations on [Culturally Informed Partnering for Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Across Continents](#). In addition to providing an introduction to the Stop It Now! approach to child sexual abuse prevention, panelists from Colombia, Kenya and Nigeria shared their work with Stop It Now!, including results from self-study analyses, focus groups, and prevention project interventions.

### Take Action!

- Learn more by [viewing our presentation](#).
- Read about our [International Partnership](#).
- [Contact us](#) if you are interested in collaborating internationally.

## Visits from India, Pakistan & Nigeria

Our relationships with non-governmental organizations (NGO) who are leaders on child sexual abuse prevention in their respective countries enrich and deepen our work.

We are currently hosting Princess Olufemi-Kayode of Media Concern for Women and Children ([MediaCon](#)), our NGO partner in Nigeria. This visit is important for our ongoing collaboration, including our Helpline training of their sexual violence helpline.



Other recent visitors to the Stop It Now! offices included:

- Pooja Taparia of [Arpan](#) (Mumbai, India)
- Babar Bashir of [Rozan](#) (Pakistan).

Every exchange and working relationship we build teaches us more about the great need and potential to link up innovative child



sexual abuse prevention initiatives around the world. Thank you for making Stop It Now! (USA) a stop on your international itinerary!

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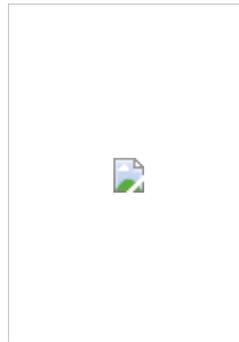
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- [Contact us](#) if you will be in our part of the world - or to find out when we might be in yours.
- Connect with us at [6th International Child Helpline International Consultation](#) in South Africa (Oct. 17-19).

## **STOP IT NOW! Helpline in Netherlands**

This spring a [Stop it Now! Netherlands](#) Helpline was established with initial training and technical guidance from [Stop it Now! UK and Ireland](#).

With donations from the City of Amsterdam and the Dutch Ministry of Health, the Netherlands Helpline was launched in May and has already received calls. Donald Findlater, Director of [Stop it Now! UK and Ireland](#) presented at the launch.



There are now three Helplines (US, UK, Netherlands) where adults can have a safe and confidential conversations with trained professionals who provide balanced information, practical resources and support to keep children safe from sexual abuse.

### **Take Action!**

- [Donate Now!](#) to the Stop It Now! Helpline
- [Learn more](#) about the Helpline
- [Email the Helpline](#) about a situation involving possible child sexual abuse

## **Ask Now! question: "red flag" behaviors?**

**Q:** My granddaughter is 12 and just starting to mature physically. Recently in 3 different settings, my husband has taken her by the hand and led her away from the group. I felt concerned immediately because it was a new behavior. Is this a red flag for possible abuse?

**A:** Your husband's behavior could indeed be a warning sign that a child is at-risk. One warning sign does not always mean that a child is at-risk, instead it's important to notice whether there are patterns or repetition, and whether there are additional signs. [Read more...](#)

### **Take action!**

- Visit Ask Now! to [view our latest questions](#).
- [Submit your question](#).
- [Share your feedback](#) on Ask Now!

Stop It Now!® prevents the sexual abuse of children by mobilizing adults, families and communities to take actions that protect children before they are harmed.