



Founded in 1959

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PREVENTION *and* TREATMENT of CHILD ABUSE

CHILDHELP'S VOLUNTEER CHAPTERS

Childhelp Chapters are vitally important to the success of our organization. Devoted and loyal Chapter members help build awareness about the epidemic of child abuse in this country through participation in a wide variety of community events, business and social gatherings and media opportunities. They plan and execute creative special events of all sizes to help support our many programs and facilities, and they participate as "Special Friends" and mentors to the children in our residential Villages and group homes. Volunteers help open doors in area school systems for our prevention program, Good Touch/Bad Touch; and they offer material support to our residential facilities by providing clothing and personal items for the children, as well as household goods and furnishings. School supplies, toys, library books, and recreational equipment are always in demand; and Childhelp volunteers lovingly provide these items through many creative fundraising opportunities. Holidays and birthdays are special times for our children, and Chapter members create memorable events that each child will remember long after leaving our care.

Twenty-three Childhelp Chapters currently operate in seven states . . . Arizona, California, Colorado, Michigan, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. Through many media opportunities and television exposure provided by the recent Lifetime movie, *For The Love Of A Child*, we will be adding new volunteer groups throughout the country. These new Chapters will focus on awareness, promoting our 24-hour crisis Hotline, and raising funds to help support existing Childhelp programs and facilities. Through our website, www.childhelp.org, volunteers can now contact us to inquire about ways to help in their own communities and form new Childhelp Chapters.

Our Chapters are governed by a set of bylaws, and each group is lead by its Chapter officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Fundraising Chair, Membership Chair, Publicity Chair, Education and Awareness Chair, Parliamentarian, Chaplain, and a Village Liaison where applicable. These officers help plan and implement the group's fundraising events and oversee the other activities of the Chapter, providing guidance and direction. Strong leadership, loyal volunteers and a growing membership have given Childhelp a reputation of excellence, being recognized as one of this country's leading non-profit organizations dedicated to the prevention and treatment of child abuse. Volunteers derive immense satisfaction through their work with Childhelp, many having been with us for over 25 years.