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Pinwheels for Child Abuse Prevention Display

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to remind all adults and communities about ensuring the well being of Nevada's children now and throughout the year. **Pinwheels For Prevention** sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse (PCA) Nevada a program of Area Health Education Center of Southern Nevada (AHEC), will begin its statewide public awareness campaign, designed to bring attention to child abuse and neglect in communities throughout Nevada.

In April, in communities throughout the state, colorful children's pinwheels will be planted in front of courthouses, and public and private agencies. Each pinwheel will represent a case of child abuse and neglect reported to the public children service agencies in Nevada. In 2006, there were 10,148 investigated reports of child abuse and neglect in Clark County. Most residents are unaware of how widespread the problems of child abuse and neglect are in their local community.

April 2nd through April 6th PCA of Nevada will have on display at the North Las Vegas City Hall south side lawn 8,000 pinwheels to figuratively represent the local cases of investigated child abuse and neglect. This display is designed to raise awareness and show the public in a very dramatic way that child abuse and neglect happen in every community and encourage them to focus on prevention as part of an overall plan to break the cycle of abuse.

Show your support for the Pinwheels For Prevention Campaign by visiting the display and make a \$2 donation for your pinwheel at the Bunny Boogie April 7th at the Clark County Government Center Amphitheater from 12:00 pm to 4:00!

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