



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Learn More

Number of kids abused out of every 1000:
Alaska is 14.5
National is 9.2

Alaska kids are 56% more likely to be abused than the national average

Neglect is the most common form of maltreatment, followed by physical abuse

Nearly 49% of Alaskan victims are between the ages of 0-4

More than 800,000 children are confirmed as victims of abuse or neglect each year in the U.S.

1 in 3 girls and 1 in 5 boys will be sexually abused or assaulted before they reach the age of 18.

113 Alaskan children were removed from their homes by OCS in the month of February 2021

Direct Service Providers and Advocacy Agencies

alaskachildrenstrust.org Office of Public Advocacy: doa.alaska.gov/opa alaskachildrensalliance.org
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: www.usccb.org
Office of Children's Services: 1-800-478-4444 dhss.alaska.gov/ocs

Child Advocacy Centers in Southeast and Southcentral Alaska:

Anchorage Alaska Cares Child Advocacy Center, 907-561-8301 **Bristol Bay** "Nitaput" 1-800-510-1230
Copper River Basin Child Advocacy Center 907-822-3733 **Cordova** Family Resource Center 907-424-5674
Juneau S.A.F.E. 463-6157 **Kenai Peninsula** Haven House 1-800-478-7712 **Kodiak** "KANA" 907-486-9878
Mat-Su Valley The Children's Place, 907-357-5157 **Unalaska** USAFV 907-581-1500

Some local Social Service Agencies providing assistance to Children and Families:

Anchorage – Catholic Social Services, cssalaska.org Covenant House Alaska covenanthouseak.org
Juneau - Catholic Community Services, ccsak.org

National Resources

Darkness 2 Light: www.d21.org National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-4ACHILD
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children: www.missingkids.com
U.S. Dept of Health and Social Services" www.childwelfare.gov Center for Disease Control: cdc.gov

The Catholic Church's Efforts...

The Archdiocese is audited annually to ensure compliance to its policies and procedures

We require background checks and train ministers on how to maintain safe environments and report concerns

We have an independent review board to review allegations and make recommendations for continual improvement on policies and procedures

All allegations of abuse are reported directly to civil authorities

All children and families in Faith Formation and Catholic Schools are offered Safe Environment Training to address the dignity of each person and how to recognize warning signs and seek help.