How We Minimize Child Trafficking & Child Abuse-The Most Effective Strategies to keep children away from the 500,000 or more child predators, gangs, and trafficking possess.

Over 600,000 children were victims of abuse and trafficking last year. Do you think that is a low number? 300,000 children are in danger at any given time. Calls to just one child hotline have doubled in the last 5 years.

PREVENTION-25 Pointers

1. Keep children off drugs and alcohol. Drugs especially.
2. Parents must take an active role in the child’s friends, who they hang around with and where they hang around, places where children hang out are hot spots for criminal activity.
3. Parents and children must be careful in chat rooms, social media sites where kids hang, this is where the predators go.
4. Children must have a support system to look for guidance on how to navigate life.
5. Both parents and children must know the risk factors for children
6. There are many warning signs that can forewarn impending danger. Both must know them.
7. Children must learn self-confidence, and the ability not to be intimidated by strangers and avoid them.
8. Children and parents must be observant to other children in the area. Many predators and gangs recruit young teens to do their dirty work.
9. Participate in a neighborhood watch program. They are in your neighborhood now.
10. Travel with others as much as you can. Never be alone after dark, anywhere.
11. You should have a GPS tracker that predators cannot see or know about.
12. Doors and windows in the home and car should always be locked.
13. Watch out for suspicious vehicles, driving slowly around children or a child.
14. Teach your kids to leave ‘breadcrumbs.’ They should have things that you know are theirs and teach them to drop them anywhere they can, that makes sense.
15. Communicate frequently.
16. Look for red flags on others. Things like weird comments, in other words, creepy.
17. Use a lot of instant messaging!
18. Every child should have a gps tracker, not a cell phone, which will be taken away instantly. Something that attaches to the child’s body can instantly communicate with loved ones or 911 without the predator noticing. We have two of these options.
19. Stay out of the chat rooms. They are a haven for predators.
20. Make sure your children do not put address, phone, or information online.
21. Teach children boundaries. Where can they go and when.
22. We have learned this as children, to keep away from strangers, especially at parks and schools, where kids hang out.
23. Be wary of kids that want to be friends fast. Many gangs and predators use other children to kidnap, manipulate, and find their prey.
24. Keep an eye on your children’s activity online. This is where most predators come from. Know where they are searching.
25. Keep an eye on vehicles circling and parked at schools.

**HOW TO SPOT IF YOUR CHILD IS THE VICTIM OF ABUSE 25 lessons.**

1. They won’t tell you most of the time.
2. Look for physical signs of abuse or odd behavior in your child.
3. A child abused may become withdrawn and distant.
4. Contact resources to get an evaluation or report it to police, the FBI, or Sheriff’s Dept.
5. Use tracking software on your child’s cell phone and computer.
6. Talk to their friends and school mates frequently.
7. Bed-wetting is a common sign of abuse.
8. Acting like a child is much younger. A abused child takes on much younger traits.
9. Overeating or Undereating. Loss of appetite.
10. Losing good hygiene habits.
11. Changes in the type of clothes they want to wear.
12. Sexualize play with toys.
13. Speaking with obscene profanities.
14. An increased knowledge of sex.
15. Acting anxious.
16. Mysterious gifts or money.
17. Fear of touching, acting distant.
18. Refusal to go to someone’s house or even leave the house.
19. Self-harm or mutilation.
20. Crying for no reason.
21. Changes in their inner circle.
22. Trouble keeping relationships.
23. Get upset about a specific person.
24. Remember, 50% of abuse comes from someone they know well.
25. Low self-esteem.