

serving Cumberland and Gloucester Counties in Southern New Jersey

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Dear Friend,

The Exchange Club of Bridgeton, a local chapter of the National Exchange Club, serves Cumberland and Gloucester Counties in Southern New Jersey. Our mission is to inspire communities to become better places to live. Based on our core values of family, community, and country, we engage in a variety of community service projects including support of local veterans, child abuse prevention efforts, food for the hungry, and local high school youth recognition programs.

Our County Commissioners will once again proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Cumberland County. To raise public awareness, the Exchange Club will be expanding our giant Cumberland County Community "Pinwheels for Prevention" Garden. Please join us in spreading the message of hope and action for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect by contributing pinwheels to the community garden or by creating a pinwheel garden or blue-ribbon display at your location. Individuals, organizations, businesses, health care providers, social service agencies, faith-based institutions and school groups who participate will be featured in our press releases and on our Facebook page. Your sponsorship will help fund Child Abuse Prevention initiatives in Cumberland County.

Monies raised through the purchase of pinwheels and/or blue ribbon cards (sponsorship form on the reverse of this letter) will support projects including Suitcase/Comfort Bags and Meal Gift Cards supplied to child protection and support agencies, Shaken Baby Education Packs and Baby Safe Sleep Sacks (wearable blankets to prevent SIDS) distributed to parents of infants enrolled in Nurse-Family Partnership programs, and Anti-Bullying Posters and Pencils for the Child Assault Prevention programs in our local schools. We also welcome pinwheel / blue ribbon card sponsors to suggest other child abuse prevention needs that we can address.

We hope you will help us plant hundreds of blue pinwheels fluttering in the breeze throughout the county during the month of April. The Community Garden will be on display throughout the month on the lawn in front of the Cumberland County Library at 800 E. Commerce St., Bridgeton. Please plan to join us at a ceremony taking place on April 10th at 10 am at the site of the Pinwheel Garden.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

To Raise funds for local prevention efforts, the Exchange Club of Bridgeton is coordinating a

Cumberland County Community 2024 Pinwheels for Prevention Garden To Grow a Better Tomorrow for All Children

Help us fill gardens throughout the county with hundreds of pinwheels fluttering in the breeze throughout the month of April to emphasize how important and precious our children are!

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We invite you to join us in showing your support for the great childhoods all children deserve!

How Can You Help Grow a Better Tomorrow for All Children? One Simple Act...

Individuals, organizations, businesses, health care providers, social service agencies, faith-based institutions and school groups can contribute to the display by purchasing pinwheels that will be planted on the lawn in front of the Cumberland County Library for the entire month of April. Our County Commissioners will proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month at a Ceremony taking place on April 10th at 10 am at the site of the Pinwheel Garden – Lawn in front of the Cumberland County Library, 800 E. Commerce St. Bridgeton, NJ 08302

Why Pinwheel Gardens? In 2008, Prevent Child Abuse America introduced the pinwheel as the new national symbol for child abuse prevention through the annual Pinwheels for Prevention® campaign. By its very nature, the pinwheel represents whimsy and childlike notions. In Essence, it has come to serve as the physical embodiment, or reminder, of the great childhoods we want for all children.

Together we can convey a message of hope and action for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect in Cumberland County. Each pinwheel donated, will help us to celebrate children and their right to grow, learn and play in safe, loving, and nurturing environments! Follow pictures and updates on our Facebook page as our garden grows - https://www.facebook.com/bridgeton.exchangeclub/.

----- Order Information -----

Complete the order form below and mail to **The Bridgeton Exchange Club, c/o Karen Horwitz, 1144 Terns Landing Road, Pittsgrove, NJ 08318**. If you are interested in participating in the ceremony, partnering with us to fund Child Abuse Prevention initiatives, prefer to use PayPal to order, or would like <u>to reserve pinwheels and signage to plant a garden of your own</u>, please contact us at: bridgetonexchange@gmail.com.

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Anyone contributing 25 or more Pinwheels for the Community Garden will receive a Pinwheel Bouquet for display