

Increasing public awareness of the need to ensure the safety and welfare of children led to the passage of the first Federal child protection legislation, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), in 1974. April was proclaimed as National Child Abuse Prevention Month by then President Ronald Reagan in 1983. This year we recognize the 40th anniversary of this proclamation.

CASA of Walker, San Jacinto, and Trinity Counties will recognize National Child Abuse Prevention Month again this year with our "little blue house" campaign. We will visit businesses in San Jacinto County asking them to participate by placing a little blue house at the check-out counter to collect change to fill the house.

We will also be creating blue pinwheel arrangements for you to display in your business showing your support and acknowledgement of this month.

Another community organization, the SJC Child Welfare Board will once again honor the "Super Heroes" who support our county kids, along with recognizing the number of victims served during the year, by decorating the courthouse lawn at the beginning of April.

If you would like to host a little blue house or are interested in a pinwheel arrangement, and haven't heard from one of us, feel free to contact Pat Stephenson at pstephenson1091@gmail.com