



April is recognized as **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**. At HATC, our commitment to serving individuals who have experienced child abuse is fundamental to our mission. This commitment is reflected in our roles as a credentialed Community Services Assault Program (CSAP), Crime Victim Service Center (CVSC), member of the King County Children’s Justice Center, and the home of the Foster Care Assessment Program (FCAP).

In 2008, Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA) initiated the national tradition of planting pinwheels as a symbol of child abuse prevention through its Pinwheels for Prevention program. The pinwheel represents the playful joy of childhood that all children have a right to experience and is a physical reminder that all children deserve to feel safe and protected knowing that they have a promising future ahead.

This year, HATC will display pinwheels in the lobby of its Seattle location, offices, homes, or anywhere that may encourage conversations about the importance of child abuse prevention. The proceeds from the purchase of the pinwheels will go to the [Children’s Trust of Washington](#) to support community prevention efforts.