



**Never hurt a child! Never, never, never, ever!**

## ABOUT PIKES PEAK FAMILY CONNECTIONS, INC.

Pikes Peak Family Connections, Inc. (PPFC) is a local 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a long history of supporting families in the Pikes Peak region. The agency's roots were established in 1976 when it was incorporated as Parents Anonymous, a volunteer child abuse prevention organization that provided support groups for high-risk families until 1982. The organization was reactivated in 1989 as a nonprofit partner of the El Paso County Health Department's Child Abuse Prevention Program (CAPP). The name was changed in 1992 to Pikes Peak Family Connections, Inc. to better reflect the mission of preventing child abuse and neglect by educating and supporting parents so children have safe, healthy, and stable family relationships.

## OUR PROGRAMS

The Nurturing Parenting Program® provides parents with effective behavior management tools and encourages the development of healthy parent-child relationships. These family-centered classes are designed to strengthen families through education in empathy, child development, healthy family roles, discipline, and personal power. The Nurturing Parenting Programs are dynamic and exciting, and are proven to build caring, non-violent families. Classes are available for parents with children ages 0-18.

KPC Kids' Place offers FREE crisis and planned respite child care for children under six years old. This is the first fully-licensed center of its kind in Colorado. The highly-qualified staff provides a safe and nurturing atmosphere for children as well as parents. In addition to this opportunity for immediate relief, family support and referrals to other community services are offered to all caregivers who use KPC Kids' Place. A 24-hour crisis line is available at (719) 634-5439.

## OUR IMPACT

In 2007, the Nurturing Parenting Program® served 260 individuals from 105 families. Sixty percent of parents in the program were court-ordered to attend the program, and 80 percent were low to very-low income. KPC Kids' Place Respite Nursery served 168 children from 100 families, for a total of 3,393 direct service hours. Of these children, 51 percent came from low to very-low income families.

## OUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are crucial to our mission and impact. Over 100 volunteers provided 2,682 hours of service to PPFC and KPC in 2007. Volunteer opportunities are available for both of our major programs, as well as for general office assistance. To volunteer, please contact us at (719) 520-1019 ext. 1016.