

**MONIQUE BURR**  
FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN, INC.  
**PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

*Every child deserves to be safe!*

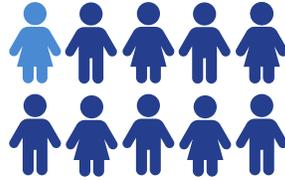


# The Problem

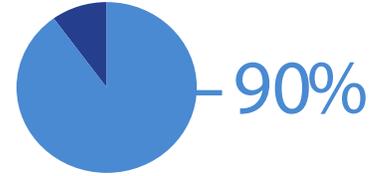
Bullying, cyberbullying, child abuse, and human trafficking have become public health crises in our country. Exposure to these types of adverse childhood experiences are strong predictors of later victimization, physical and mental health problems, and academic, social, and relationship difficulties throughout the lifespan. These consequences impact future generations, communities, and society as a whole.



More than 3 million children are abused in the U.S. every year.



1 in 10 children will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday.



90% of children between the ages of 8 and 16 have viewed pornography on the Internet.



Children begin viewing pornography at an average age of 11.



Over 25% of adolescents & teens have been bullied repeatedly through their cell phones or the Internet.



160,000 students stay home from school every day because they fear being bullied.

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*Every child is at risk of becoming a victim.*

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## The Solution

**We know 95% of abuse is preventable through education.** With the National Child Traumatic Stress Network stating that one out of every four children attending school has been, or will be, exposed to a traumatic event, prevention education is needed now more than ever before. Research shows that schools are the best place to implement prevention programs, and polyvictimization research supports using a comprehensive program with universal rules and strategies, applicable to all types of victimization, rather than separate programs for each.

Knowing this, the Monique Burr Foundation for Children is committed to providing prevention education to every child through our comprehensive, research-based prevention education programs.

# Our Programs

MBF Prevention Education Programs are comprehensive, research-based, primary prevention programs that educate and empower students and all relevant adults with information and strategies to prevent, recognize, and respond appropriately to bullying, cyberbullying, all types of child abuse, relationship abuse, digital abuse, and other digital dangers. Elementary school, middle school, and after school editions are available.

## RESEARCH-BASED

The programs are research-based and utilize prevention research best practices. The MBF Child Safety Matters program was found to be an effective and quality program by a 2015 independent study by Florida State University. The Monique Burr Foundation for Children continues to ensure program efficacy with ongoing program evaluation.

## PRACTICAL

The programs were developed with schools, not for schools, and make the best use of existing resources. This ensures schools have easy to use programs that will reach and protect children rather than sit on classroom shelves. The programs also help states meet statutes regarding the provision of abuse and/or bullying prevention education in schools, and they are aligned with many general education and health instruction standards.

## SUPPORTED

The programs are trusted by parents, schools, and administrators. They are also supported and recommended by national subject matter experts, community leaders, and agencies in the education and prevention fields, including Dr. David Finkelhor of the Crimes Against Children Research Center, the Florida Attorney General, the Florida Department of Education, and Erin Merryn, founder of Erin's Law, which mandates child sexual abuse prevention education in schools.

Other programs may claim efficacy and high numbers served; however, MBF Prevention Education Programs have outcome data showing several thousand facilitators trained and nearly two million students reached since the programs began in 2010, indicating a true partnership with schools.

## The 5 Safety Rules



Know What's Up



Spot Red Flags



Make a Move



Talk It Up



No Blame | No Shame

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Matters**



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