

Child Abuse! It's not fair

Thousands of children suffer from child abuse everyday, all over the world, no matter how hard they try to escape the nightmare that they live in nothing is possible in their eyes, there are 3 types of child abuse; Sexual, Physical, Mentally. Children have given up on a lot of things such as; hope, confidence and a bright future due to the torment and torture that they go through. However, in their eyes they may not be able to see the freedom that they could gain, the happiness that they could retrieve once again, so let us make them see- let us make them realise that they still have a chance in having a bright but wonderful life ahead of them. Let us build their confidence to a positive view of life!

Child abuse could happen to anyone around us, from young youths to teenagers and sometimes it could even happen to adults. You may not be aware of it happening to anyone that you know of, but who knows what goes on behind the closed doors, who knows what your friends go through once they enter their houses? Only they know, no one else but them. Nonetheless many cases of abuse go unreported and the consequences of these are gruesome and horrible that nobody would ever want their child, friends or family members to experience it, these could be: committing suicide, trauma, aggressive behaviour etc. 72% of sexually abused children do not tell anyone about the abuse at the time. It is said that on average in England and Wales every week at least 1 child is killed at the hands of another person. All children are very fragile and can easily be manipulated, but youths under the age of 1 are the age group most at risk of being killed at the hands of another person. The cause of Child abuse are multi-faceted and cant be narrowed down to a single reason but mostly involve interactions between the parents, the society and the children, despite the reasons no child should ever have to face the pain of being abused not in anyway at all. No child deserves to be neglected because they were brought into this world to experience life and enjoy it, not to suffer upon other peoples hands and to lose their human rights because of something they did not do. Nevertheless this could be prevented in so many different ways. Firstly children need to be able to have a close intimacy with their parents or someone within the family so that if any how they need to tell them about something that endangers them or their lives, they could easily talk too.

People need to be able to know that something can be done if they are experiencing any sort of abuse. There are websites that they can go on and ask for help and phone numbers that they can contact. So help young youths to realise that something can be done about child abuse. You are not alone!

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