About Us

Hope Shores Alliance's Prevention Department is seeking to partner with individuals, groups, and organizations to make our communities safer through greening projects, support for child care and early education, and initiatives that engage teens in creating safer schools. We also work with men and boys through the Mentors in Violence Prevention program, fostering positive role models and early intervention to prevent intimate partner violence.



Discover, Imagine, Play!

As parents and caregivers, we play a critical role in preventing violence by supporting early education—CDC research shows that programs engaging children and families in high-quality early learning can reduce the risk of child maltreatment by nearly 40%, building safer, healthier futures for kids of all backgrounds. By providing access to green spaces, safe play areas, and community gardens, we give children places to grow, connect, and thrive, further reducing aggression and fostering resilient, peaceful communities.

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Parenting is Prevention

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Fathers as Mentors

Men play a critical role in shaping boy's views on respect, gender equity, and healthy relationships. When men serve as mentors—whether as fathers, coaches, teachers, or community leaders—they model non-violent behaviors and help challenge harmful stereotypes that contribute to Intimate Partner Violence (IPV). Effective programs like Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) create spaces where boys and men can learn, reflect, and demonstrate leadership in building safer communities. When boys grow up seeing men practicing healthy relationship skills, they are far less likely to condone or engage in violence later in life. Being a mentor can end violence in our communities.



Fun Educational Activities

As parents and caregivers, we must focus on creating safer futures for our children by ensuring access to high-quality early education at home. Every child, from every background and socio-economic bracket, deserves safe, nurturing environments. Research shows that access to green spaces and supportive early learning boost kids' health, wellbeing and resilience, helping to prevent violence before it ever starts.

Art & Craft

From an early age these build emotional expression, communication skills, and confidence—support positive parenting and supports long-term violence prevention.

Story Time

Reading with children nurtures secure attachment exposes them to stories that build empathy and help them understand the perspectives of people with different identities.

Educational Games

Screen time can be ecuational and fun. Hope Shores Alliance has a booklet on free and affordable, educational websites and apps for children of all ages through high school.

Being the Change

Parents and caregivers can help prevent violence in our communities by modeling the change they want to see by raising healthy children, supporting access to education and child care, and ensuring young people have strong mentors and safe, green spaces to grow. By engaging with prevention programs like MVP, families can build shared values and practice proactive strategies long before they're ever needed.

Make Our Community Greener

Creating greener community spaces, like safe play areas, community gardens, accessible parks, and free, welcoming places for children, helps prevent violence by fostering connection, wellbeing, and a sense of safety for everyone.

Be a Mentor to Other Men and Boys

Mentoring boys, especially those who were not raised with models of healthy fatherhood, helps prevent violence by giving them safe guidance to stand up for women, reject harmful behaviors, and build strong anti-violence values that protect our whole community.

Get MVP in Your Community

Mentors in Peer Violence Prevention is a free program offered by Hope Shores Alliance, providing training for your school, church, club, or organization at no cost. By equipping mentors with the tools to guide youth, the program helps create safer, healthier communities and brighter futures for all children..