

Kentucky Child Protection, Abuse & Neglect Referral & Reporting Details

IMMINENT RISK – 911

SOCIAL SERVICES – 211

CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTING

- State Child Protective Service **1.877.K.Y.SAFE1** (1.877.597.2331) or **1.800.752.6200 24/7** or **1.866.231.0003 Option 3** M-F, 8-4:30
- National Childhelp Child Abuse Hotline **1.800.4.A.CHILD** (1.800.422.4453) **adult or child call or text 24/7.**

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

- **1.800.799.SAFE** (7233)

CRISIS TEXT LINE

- Text **HOME to 741741** to connect an adult or child with a Crisis Counselor **24/7**

SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE

- **1.800.273.TALK** (8255)

Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services, Child Protection Branch

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dcbs/dpp/cpb/Pages/default.aspx>

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Prevention and Reunification:

Service: **Child Abuse Prevention** | [More Information](#)

About: The Division of Protection and Permanency encourages and supports collaborative approaches to helping all people who are or have been affected by domestic violence. It is our hope that this Web site will be a valuable resource to those who are trying to break the cycle of violence. Whether you are a victim of domestic violence, a friend or family member, an advocate or an abuser, information you need to find help is available here.

Contact: (502) 564-6852

Service: **Child Protective Services** | [More Information](#)

About: The Child Protection Branch provides consultation and state program guidance for child protective services cases. Central office staff helps develop standards of practice for inclusion in the state manual and provides real-time guidance to cases as required by field personnel.

Contact: (502) 564-2136

How to Report Child Abuse or Neglect

<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dcbs/dpp/cpb/Pages/default.aspx>

Who Reports Child Maltreatment?

Anyone with a reasonable suspicion that a child is dependent, abused or neglected is required to make a report to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS).

Link: [Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect in Kentucky](#)