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### As a council you will...

- Develop an annual prevention plan & engage partners
- Lead child abuse prevention activities, especially during Child Abuse Prevention Month (April)
- Serve as an accessible and recognizable information resource and promote the **1-800-CHILDREN Helpline**
- Learn & contribute to a supportive statewide prevention network & the state’s [Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Plan](#)
- Become equipped to provide prevention training to your community

### Benefits to being a local council...

- Be designated as the prevention leader in your area as its local PCA Council
- Brand recognition through custom logo, customizable materials & promotional graphics
- Engage in prevention networking opportunities
- Have priority registration to training and workshops
- Access to tools & resources to participate in Child Abuse Prevention Month
- Technical assistance on child abuse prevention research, policy, and evidence-based strategies

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**Want to embed prevention in your organization’s work?**

PCA Georgia currently supports over 25 organizations across the state, who are considered their area’s local PCA council and serve as prevention agencies in their community. The structure of each council varies, some are stand alone non-profits and others are the county’s Family Connection Partnership, Family Resource Center or Child Advocacy Center that want to focus more on primary prevention strategies.

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**Join the Statewide Prevention Network**

Prevent Child Abuse (PCA) Georgia provides statewide direction to build safe, stable, nurturing environments and relationships to prevent child abuse and neglect. It is the state chapter of Prevent Child Abuse America and is housed in the Mark Chaffin Center for Healthy Development at Georgia State University’s School of Public Health.

For more information, visit [www.PCAGeorgia.org](http://www.PCAGeorgia.org)
Strengthening Families and Inspiring Action Through Education, Awareness and Advocacy.

PCA Athens, Brightpaths
Watkinsville, GA 30677

PCA Greater Augusta
Augusta, GA 30901

PCA Bulloch
Statesboro, GA 30458

PCA Cherokee, The Children’s Haven
Canton, GA 30114

PCA Coastal Coalition, Coastal Coalition for Children, Brunswick, GA 31520

PCA Dougherty, Family Literacy Connection, Albany, GA 31701

PCA Floyd, The Exchange Family Resource Center, Rome, GA 30162

PCA Gordon, Family Resource Center of Gordon County, Calhoun, GA 30703

PCA Habersham, Family Resource Center NE GA, Clarkesville, GA 30523

PCA Henry, Stockbridge, GA 30281

PCA Houston, Rainbow House Children's Resource Center, Warner Robins, GA 31099

PCA Lookout Mountain, Child Advocacy Center of Lookout Mountain Judicial Circuit, Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742

PCA Morgan, Morgan County Family Connection, Madison, GA 30650

PCA Pickens, North Georgia Family Partners Jasper, GA 30143

PCA Pike, Pike County Family Connection, Clayton, GA 30525

PCA Rabun, F.A.I.T.H, Inc Cuthbert, GA 39840

PCA Randolph, Randolph Family Connection Cuthbert, GA 39840

Prevent Child Abuse Rockdale/ Newton Conyers, GA 30012

PCA SOWEGA, Southwest Georgia Children’s Alliance, Americus, GA 31709

PCA Spalding, Spalding Family Connection Griffin, GA 30224

PCA Stephens, Stephens Family Connection, Toccoa, GA 30577

PCA South Georgia, Never Lost Thomasville, GA 31792

PCA Muscogee, Twin Cedars, Columbus, GA 31904

PCA Troup, Twin Cedars, LaGrange, GA 30241

PCA Upson, Upson Family Connection Thomaston, GA 30286

PCA Walton, A Child’s Voice CAC, Social Circle, GA 30025

PCA Webster, Webster County Family Connection, Preston, GA 31824

PCA Whitfield/ Murray, Family Support Council, Inc, Dalton, GA 30722

Learn more about becoming a council and joining PCA Georgia’s prevention network by contacting: PreventChildAbuseGA@gsu.edu