

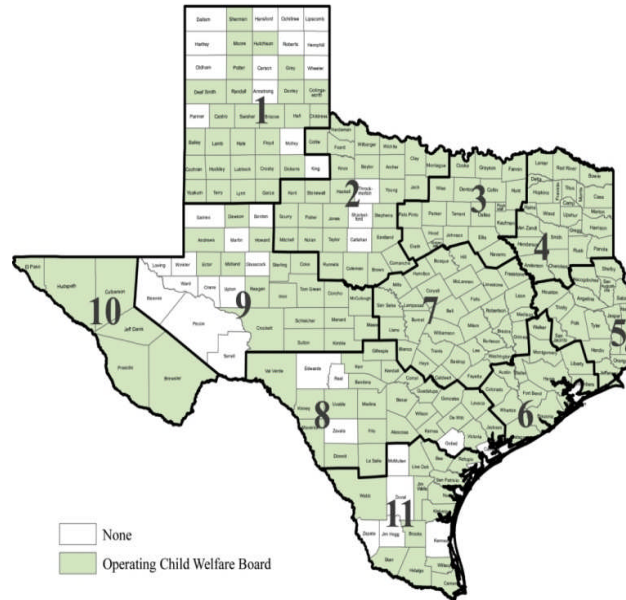
Child Welfare Boards in Texas*

Stop Child Abuse



Protect Texas Children

Purchase this specialty license plate to show your support for the protection of Texas children. Your local child welfare board receives a percentage of the proceeds to support programs that serve abused and neglected children in your community. Available summer 2008 through your County Tax Office or at the Texas Department of Transportation Web site <http://www.texasonline.com/>.



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Contact your local child welfare board:

To report suspected child abuse or neglect call:

1-800-252-5400

Texas Council of Child Welfare Boards

By, for, and about our statewide network of child welfare board volunteers concerned with the protection of children



**Our Goal:
To Stop Child Abuse
and Protect
Texas Children**

www.tccwb.org

Connecting Children & Communities

We're here to help

The Texas Council of Child Welfare Boards (TCCWB) is a statewide network of volunteers who are concerned with the welfare of children, especially children suffering from abuse and neglect. These volunteers are appointed locally by county commissioners' courts to coordinate state and local child welfare services and promote the safety, permanency, and well-being of children and families in their communities.

We work to

- Normalize the lives of children in the foster care system
- Assist in creating a network of support for children in care
- Assist youth transitioning out of foster care
- Educate regional and county boards
- Advocate for adequate resources and policies to provide services for abused and neglected children
- Support recruitment and retention of quality child protective services staff



County board members host blue ribbon cutting event to raise abuse prevention awareness.



Foster Parents of the Year recognized at annual awards ceremony for their contributions.

What we do

TCCWB and local boards want people to be knowledgeable and concerned about prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect. Members work at a grassroots level to develop programs that meet a community's needs. County boards across the state contribute 20-30 million dollars annually to meet children's needs that cannot be met by limited state funding. Child welfare boards may:

- Independently, or in collaboration with Community Partners and other community groups, work to meet the tangible needs of children receiving CPS services
- Host holiday celebrations and other special events for foster children
- Provide support for family group decision making meetings, foster parent training, and foster youth conferences
- Sponsor public awareness events to promote child abuse prevention and recruit foster and adoptive homes

What we have achieved

- Organized 11 Regional Councils of Child Welfare Boards to support a network of more than 210 county boards representing over 2000 board members
- Spotlight volunteers, legislators, foster parents, and media personnel who have championed children's issues at annual awards ceremony
- Issue a quarterly statewide newsletter and maintain a Web site to facilitate training and information dissemination
- Network with child protective services staff and other agencies to develop programs that meet children's needs
- Publish orientation and training materials for board members
- Hold a statewide training conference for regional and county board members

How you can help

- ✓ *Donate to your local child welfare board*
- ✓ *Voice your support for adequate resources and policies for abused and neglected children*
- ✓ *Volunteer to assist your local board (www.tccwb.org)*