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BLUE RIBBON BREAKFAST AT JOB & FAMILY SERVICES

On Tuesday April 1st, Fairfield County Job & Family Services hosted the 2nd Annual Blue Ribbon Breakfast, sponsored by the Child Advocacy Center of Fairfield County. A brief ceremony took place, allowing the Child Advocacy Center and JFS to recognize many agencies who work to prevent child abuse and support victimized children and families. The breakfast kicks off “Prevent Child Abuse” Month each April.

During the month of April, you’ll notice 1,667 pinwheels planted in the lawn at JFS. These pinwheels symbolize 1,667 investigated reports of child abuse and neglect in 2007. “Many people have said that it is a beautiful display, but it represents a very ugly truth in the community,” said Lisa DeGeeter, Executive Director of the Child Advocacy Center. “Each year the goal will be to have fewer pinwheels out there and to prevent the harm that is happening to children.” Pinwheel “flower pots” will also be displayed at several agencies within the county. Each pinwheel within each of the flower pots symbolize 100 abused and neglected children in Fairfield County.