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ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT WALK AT FAIRFIELD COUNTY JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and will be highlighted by the seventh annual Candlelight Walk at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 24, following Circus Night at Fairfield County Job and Family Services. The walk will begin at Fairfield County Job and Family Services, located at 239 West Main Street, and will continue to the gazebo on Zane Square. Participants will carry candles to “Light the Way of Hope” for abused and neglected children in Fairfield County. By carrying a candle, participants can symbolically help create a path of light for the children of Fairfield County who suffer through the darkness of abuse and neglect every year. “We need to raise the public’s awareness of the devastating effects of child abuse,” said Rich Bowlen, Child Protective Services Director,” and empower and encourage people to become involved and support families and parents so that we can prevent all forms of child abuse and neglect from reaching our children.” Everyone is encouraged to attend to help bring attention to those children victimized by child abuse and neglect and to help increase advocacy and community awareness to this growing national problem.

Photo opportunities:

- The walk will begin at Job and Family Services, 239 West Main Street, and proceed along Main Street to the corner of Broad and Main.
- A ceremony will take place at the Zane Square Gazebo on the corner of Broad and Main

To schedule event-day interviews or arrange for photo opportunities, call Heather Sharb at the number listed above.