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City of Charlotte, City Clerk's Office
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Acadia A Hotel

120 Acadia Tower, 1340 N. Alamo St., 78215.

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Bakau Hotel, 118 Main St., 785-5656.

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Bakau Quay, 3105 Quay Street, 785-4171.

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Dr. Michael Baker, 916 Webster Ave., 377-6125.

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Mrs. Wheeling, 7290 Odessa Ave., 334-2701.

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Lucille Luch, 609 Odessa Ave., 377-2800.

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Amy Kramer, 4820 Main St., 525-7022.

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J. E. Garrison, 6715 Foyger Dr., 366-5326.

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Bonnham Phillips, 2509 Beachmont Rd., 537-2405.

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Reverend John Cook, 513 East 36th St., 377-1570.

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Mrs. Rita Beach, 609 East 36th St., 376-3041.

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Cheek R. E. Backman, 900 Backman, 376-5900.

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1. Dr. J. D. Daxon, 3029 Odessa Ave., (no phone).

2. Marcus Meneel, 466 N. Faaion St., 333-8558.

3. Mrs. H. J. Hall, 110 Shaw Ave, 332-592.

The following requests to speak have been received:

7:00 P.M. - Community Development Back Grant Funds.
We would like the City of Charlotte to purchase the Astor Theatre, herein called the First Church of the Last Chance, to be used as a rehabilitation center for the community and the city, offering Soup, Soup, and Hope to the disadvantaged, the homeless, and the destitute persons of Charlotte.

Pastor - John Cook
Associate Pastor - Jerry D. White
Board of Deacons -
William Johnson
Carl L. Smith
Ozella Jones
Joe W. Wilbon

Musical Director
Little Jimmie Begge
at the Keyboards

Robert Wallace

Paul Wills

Sandra Callens
member of the Church
BROOKHILL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

We also thank you all for your past support in getting the
program, scouting, and summer program.

School tutoring programs, junior and senior high school

that lives in census tract 37, use this center for after

Bethlehem Center: We, as a community, as well as the people

area income level can increase.

1,319 persons in this census track that need a job so the

that was employed at the last census track, there are 1,232 persons

employees (15) or more weeks a year. The unemployment rate

family is 6,377 per household. The average per-

level of the whole city of Charlotte, the average income

Southside Park is in census tracts 37 and has 2,562

jobs under the economic development program. As you already

THE YEAR OF 1985 ARE AS FOLLOWING:

OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND FOR

March 20, 1985
March 18, 1985

TO: The Honorable Mayor, Council Persons and Staff:

RE: REID PARK ASSOCIATION

We are pleased to be here tonight to talk about our Community, Reid Park.

We have united together to chart a new direction for our Community. The stakes are high, but the benefits unlimited, therefore, the road to a successful community must be traveled by those with a vision of hope for the future.

We would like for you, The Mayor, and Council to consider the following for our neighborhood:

1. Make Reid Park a priority for improvements.
2. Sidewalks
3. Reduce Speed Limits
4. Street Lights
5. Pave undedicated streets (Farmer, Caronia, Hiram Streets)
6. Extend water and sewer lines (Morning Drive).
7. Rehab Program
8. Economic Development

We are grateful to you for all the help you will give us to make our Community a better, beautiful, and safer place for all our residents to dwell in.

Respectfully submitted,

Ricky Hall,
President, Reid Park Association
3133 Reid Avenue
Charlotte, NC 28208 (372-5465)

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Gamble In Reid Park

Charlotte News

By Bob Smith

Reid Park is a big, important gamble for everyone who pays taxes in the city of Charlotte. Taxes will be spent or crammed down the drain in places like Reid Park and there is no way of knowing, driving slowly along those slapdash back streets, which way it will go.

Reid Park is like a friend gone a bit to seed. You know there is much that remains good in him, yet he isn’t taking care of himself and that has begun to show in his face. He tries to fence out the ravages with an indifferent expression, but he does not succeed. In Reid Park, there are real fences around the two relatively new homes projects — Ponderosa and Pinecrest — as though to raise a curtain of wire against the decay lurking outside.

Drive out West Boulevard and about one-half mile before you get to Old Steele Creek Road, that’s Reid Park. The houses were built mostly prior to World War II. They are single-family, two or three bedroom, perhaps 75 per cent owner occupied.

This last fact weighed heavily in the decision that has made Reid Park suddenly far more important than the sum of its parts.

“We’ve got to have people who have a solid stake in their communities,” explains William H. Jamison, superintendent of the city’s building inspection department. Under the Housing and Urban Redevelopment Act of 1965, the city, with the federal government as a two-thirds partner, proposes to invest $1 million in improvements into Reid Park — street improvements, lighting, landscaping, and so forth. At the same time, through use of the minimum housing aid, a concentrated effort will be made to upgrade the homes. Homeowners in how-upbrackets will be eligible for individual grants up to $1,500. Others will be eligible for loans at three per cent interest.

Vernon Sawyer, the director of Charlotte’s Redevelopment Commission, puts it bluntly. “We’ll be asking these people to gamble a little that between us we can make their investment a good one.”

Reid Park would seem to be a good place to make such gambles. A “windshield survey” down any of the streets produces a typical impression of semi-rural homes built a quarter century age, gradually going downhill. Yet the sense of contrast is painfully sharp. On Hampden Street, a battered gray

Charlotte News

Editorial Report

The Rev. M. A. Cochran, Jr., pastor of the Ayer James Presbyterian Church in Reid Park, believes that the people will help. “They want to go along with the government. They think it’s a fine idea.”

Time will tell. Eric Hill, consultant to the Charlotte Redevelopment Commission, visiting here yesterday, talked about the newness of the program. “As far as I know only Birmingham, Ala., has submitted an application so far.”

Charlotte has Reid Park surveyed and several other “similar sections under the eye of planners.” If these projects take hold, a modest public investment can save millions of dollars in slum clearance money in the years ahead. Otherwise, the misery of human dislocation and the
Slim Avoidance

Preventing the development of a slum makes a lot more sense than waiting for one to develop, then having to tear it down.

In showing its enthusiasm for the Reid Park project, Charlotte's City Council has not missed that point.

The project is now possible because of the 1965 federal legislation which set it up and provided the money it comes under the familiar federal formula, one-third local, two-thirds federal.

But it is more than that. There are more than 800 residential structures in 600-acre Reid Park. About half these homes fall short of Charlotte's minimum housing code in some respects.

The program would be designed primarily to bring all the homes in the area to minimum standards, at the least. Landscaping and street, sidewalk and other improvements would be made.

The most important change would be in the improvements to the homes themselves. Many of these would be made possible under low-interest, federally-backed loans available under the new program.

The area, which is an both sides of West Boulevard near Douglas Airport, will be more than ever an entrance-way to the city as soon as the planned widening to four lanes of West Boulevard is completed.

Cost of the total effort would be slightly more than $1 million over a three-
Council Gets
Dramatic New
Slum Attack
FEB 28, 1966

A dramatic and new approach to slum clearance — one which involves city services, federal aid and the property owners themselves — will be tried in Charlotte's Reed Park area on West Blvd as the city council approves.

The project would call for some $1 million in public money to reconstruct streets, put in sidewalks and street lights, landscape the city street right-of-way land, and enforce the city's minimum housing codes strictly.

The dramatic aspect of the proposal outlined to the City Council today is that the property owners themselves would bear the major cost of renewing the area. The city's minimum housing code would force them to fix up or tear down any substandard housing.

As to the $1 million needed for the work, the 1965 Housing and Urban Development Act provides for as much as two-thirds of that in federal funds.

'THE SAME act provides for both low-cost Federal Housing Administration loans and low-percentage direct grants to the property owners who must improve their buildings."

In addition, the federal government would pay the costs of relocating families displaced by enforcement of the minimum housing code. William H. Carstarphen, administrative aide to the city manager's office, outlined the new proposal to the City Council.

He said the Reed Park section is on the "borderline between slum and sound which could be saved without full-scale urban renewal, but on which prompt action must be taken to prevent further decay."

'Reed Park lies on both sides of West Blvd, which is slated to be a four-lane boulevard giving access to the city from Douglas Municipal Airport."

'The basic area of unsound housing outlined to the council lies along Elm St., Hempfield St. and Westhampton Dr., on the north side of West Blvd, and just east of Old Steel Creek Rd., and on the south side in a six-block area bordering Reed Ave."

'There are 337 residential units in the area, with half (446) in need of major repair work."

Of the total only 25 need to be torn down, the council learned.
OUR SUGGESTIONS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUND FOR THE YEAR OF 1985 ARE AS FOLLOWING:

(1) Jobs: We would like some of this money to be set aside for jobs under the Economic Development program. As you already know, Southside Park is in Census Tracks 37 and has 2,562 people and 792 of those people are below the average income level of the whole City of Charlotte. The average income per family is $6,327 per household. There are 157 persons unemployed (15) or more weeks a year. The unemployment rate is 12.8% just for this census track. There are 1,243 persons that was employed at the last census track count. There are 1,319 persons in this census track that need a job so this area income level can increase.

(2) Bethlehem Center: We, as a community, as well as the people that lives in census track 37, use this center for after school tutoring programs, junior and senior high school programs, scouting, and summer program.

(3) Playground Equipment: We have 5 mini playgrounds in Brookhill, and very much need to repair them so the small children that is not big enough to cross the street and go to the big park can use them.

(4) We also thank you all for your past support in getting the houses on Tremount Avenue looking like someone lives in them.

BROOKHILL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

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1715 Hawkins Street
Charlotte, N. C. 28203
704-377-4202

Dorothea Carter, Secretary
430 Remount Road
Charlotte, N. C. 28203
334-2512
Thank you for this opportunity to speak to you on behalf of the Gethsemane Enrichment Program and for your consideration.

Few plants can grow in the dark and neither can children. Yet, many of them struggle day after day, groping around, trying to survive in their dark worlds of too little food, too few clothes, too little or no attention, too little love and almost no hope for the future.

These are the reasons the Gethsemane Enrichment Program was founded 10 years ago...to bring light into that darkness by developing positive attitudes, positive self-images and creating academic achievers. Youths from many of the impoverished areas of our city: West Boulevard, Dalton Village, Five Points, Grier Heights and Third Ward have been granted a new vision. They have been lifted from despair to hope, from failure to success, from sorrow to joy and have acquired an ardent desire to succeed and participate in the mainstream of our society.

For this we are truly grateful to the Mayor and the city council for having the foresight to respond affirmatively to our request for funding. The result of your positive response has manifested itself in the past and continues to do so today, in the enrichment of the lives of many youths and their parents as coping and survival skills have been significantly elevated.

According to teachers in the Charlotte Mecklenburg School System, students enrolled in the Gethsemane Enrichment Program are more responsive, strive more diligently and exhibit greater self-confidence and self-esteem. These teachers state that their test scores have shown
marked improvement and their attendance has improved by more than 75%.

School systems and concerned citizens throughout the state have found our program phenomenal. They have sought our advice and counsel...and in many cases, tried to emulate us...but ours is a unique entity in that it stands on its own merit and success.

Programs such as ours are successful because of the unrelenting commitment and dedication to lighting the way for our future generation’s footsteps on the sands of time. The psychological, intellectual and social impact that our program has had and will continue to have upon the lives of disadvantaged youths and their parents in the city of Charlotte will pay many dividends on human lives for many years to come.

Youths are the hopes of tomorrow, the conquerers of dreams...the faith in whom we place the future of the world for we know that whatever they can perceive...they can achieve.

Therefore our task is great, but the investment is even greater...and $400,000 is precious little to ask for a program designed to improve the lives of 350 students and their parents who are plagued with poverty and despair.

The Mayor and City Council are to be commended for their wisdom, leadership and vision for underprivileged young people of the city of Charlotte...but how do we prioritize the needs in the lives of young people? There’s only one way...we do so by investing in their future...an investment that can only multiply as it yields high dividends in the
quality of life.

Winston Churchill said March 21, 1943 that, "There is no finer investment for any community than putting milk into babies"...and the Gethsemane Enrichment Program agrees...for if we nurture and continue to be a guiding light to these, our youths...our hopes for mankind...we will be all the richer.

We prayfully ask that you will continue to support the Gethsemane Enrichment Program for all of our futures lie in investing in our youths.

March 20, 1985

Adelaide H. Hunt
Program Director
Gethsemane Enrichment Program
Grier Heights Community Improvement Organization

Request For
Community Development Block Grant Activity

(Fiscal Year 86)

Mr. Mayor and members of City Council, my name is Avery Kirkpatrick, President of the Grier Heights Improvement Organization (GHIO). For the past 10 years our community has undergone extensive housing revitalization, major improvements to streets, upgrading of parks, and our residents being the recipients of various human service programs that have benefited both our young and old.

We have enjoyed our relationships with the Community Development staff and other City departments.

As one of the original neighborhoods designated for Community Development Block Grant Fund at the beginning of the program, we appear before you again this evening to request that our community be considered for Fiscal Year 86 funding also.

We request through the Rehabilitation Program for the Grier Heights Community. A plan for Heflin Street, and the 400 to 440 block of Orange Street be devised to improve the housing conditions in this area. We recognize and understand that these housing units are absentee owned, but hopefully a plan to provide low interest loans to the property owners can be developed so extensive renovation might be performed on them.

We request the Community Development Economic Development Division work with our local Development Corporation on the feasibility of adding additional retail space to our local shopping center. This addition should provide convenient shopping opportunities for our senior citizens and jobs for our residents.

Although major street improvements have been completed in our community, there still remains one of our major streets that is in need of curb, gutter and sidewalks. We request Orange Street be improved with curb, gutter and sidewalks.

If the Rehabilitation and Occupancy of Villa Courts Apartments is not planned for the foreseeable future, we request demolition of these units and clearance of the area for single family housing.

Those properties owned by the city in our neighborhood, We request a developer of single family housing be consulted with possibly developing single family housing in our community.

We do have concerns and problems we will be bringing to the attention of the Utility, Police and Park & Recreation Departments and would like for Community Development to follow-up on these concerns for us.

To all you present, we extend an invitation to our Installation of Community Organization Officers and Annual Homecoming.
March 20, 1985

Honorable Harvey B. Gantt  
Mayor of Charlotte  
and  
Members of Charlotte City Council  
Charlotte, NC 28202  

Subject. Proposal for Funding for the Children's Safety Haven Program

We request the following

$4,000 for Safety Haven Watch Signs for communities where 10% of the residents are certified Safety Havens

$600 to cover the cost of dispositions (at $5.00 per request) paid to the state of North Carolina after arrest records are reviewed in the screening process of each Safety Haven.

$1800 for four separate educational handouts given to 32,000 children each school year to reinforce this crime prevention program

$6400 spent on direct educational services to children in the state of North Carolina.

We appreciate your time in this matter and encourage you to read the yellow brochure which will explain our crime prevention program.

A copy of the detailed manual, used by school chairpersons, is in the hands of your clerk.

Requested by:

Jeri Gertzman  
Girl Scout Chairperson for Safety Haven Program
SAFETY HAVEN PROGRAM

Safety Haven Program Gives
Kids Place To Get Help

Co-sponsored by:
THE HORNETS' NEST GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL
and
THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG COUNCIL OF PTAS
SAFETY HAVEN

A CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Seven years ago, the Hornets' Nest Girl Scout Council joined with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTAs to address the problem of "crimes against children". Two major volunteer organizations serving youth came together to provide a service to children. This pilot project known as SAFETY HAVEN is solidly established in Mecklenburg County and has spread to a number of other counties in the state of North Carolina.

SAFETY HAVEN is a four phase program consisting of:

1. SAFETY HAVENS (usually homes, but can be businesses and public buildings where children can seek emergency assistance from the bandaging of a skinned knee to shelter from an abductor.
   a. The volunteer who comes in contact with the child at the SAFETY HAVEN has been screened by local police to insure good character. In addition, every member of a volunteer's family over age 16 is checked.
   b. All certified volunteers display, behind glass, the SAFETY HAVEN logo in a place clearly visible to the children. Locations in rural areas display newspaper/mail box sticker logos as well as the window logo.
   c. All volunteers receive a printed job description.

2. EDUCATION OF CHILDREN
   a. A variety of educational materials is used by volunteers in the schools to teach the children personal security and general safety rules.
   b. At least two educational programs a year are mandatory, although many more are available and are encouraged. Reinforcement is the key to education of any kind.

3. EDUCATION OF PARENTS
   a. Printed materials are distributed at PTA meetings to assist parents in teaching security to their children.
   b. Films and speakers are available for parent groups.

4. COMMUNITY AWARENESS
   a. Through the media, the general public is reminded of the need to protect children.
   b. Abductors or molesters are made aware that the community's children are being watched.
   c. The public is made aware of pending legislation and governmental decisions that affect the welfare of our children.

** FUNDING: This service is offered FREE to all children and teens. No taxpayers money is used. No one receives a salary. The program is volunteer. Major funding comes from the co-sponsoring organizations and supplemental gifts of services, information, and financial contributions are welcomed from community businesses and organizations.**

The goal of SAFETY HAVEN is to deter crimes against children and provide a climate of physical and emotional security for them.

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Request for their written approval. Cannot be reproduced for use in another community without written
contact Jeri Gertruman or Betty Collins at the above address. It
for information regarding the program at the SAFETY HAVEN 100,
reference to the validity and effectiveness of this program, contact:
should your school's board or Superintendent of Schools with a

704-525-7914
Charlotte, N. C. 28212
Mrs. Myra Burns

704-525-7928
Charlotte, W. N. C. 28209
Mrs. Jackie Shure

President, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTA

704-366-5326
28226
Charlotte, N. C.

7121 Lancaster Dr.
Bertty Collins

Co-Chairman, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTA

To receive additional information, contact:

The Governor’s Task Force on Misdemeanor and Public
SAFETY HAVEN is a free service program and printed material is
mental, unique way agencies, and the North Carolina Department of
safety, available through the State Department of Crime Control and Public

SAFETY HAVEN PROTECTS YOUR CHILDREN

Valuable key badges and other office materials
to absorb the academic education provided by our schools.
Safe, happy, secure children are one step ahead in being prepared
Flow of Responsibility
for SAFETY HAVEN

Girl Scout Council and P.T.A. Council

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Inform children of availability of program

Public Relations Efforts

Dedicated to children with love and respect - Jeri Gertzman and Betty Collins

The Safety Haven Program is the result of original work developed by the Hornets' Nest Girl Scout Council (Jeri Gertzman, Chairman) and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTA's (Betty Collins, Chairman). The Chairmen wish to acknowledge with appreciation the technical advice of:

- the Charlotte Police Department - Jim Howlett, Sgt. Pete Toomey, Sgt. Rudy Torrence;
- the Mecklenburg County Police Department - Sgt. Glen Mowery;
- the Administrative Staff of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System - Dr. Chris Folk, Director of Communications, Joe Green, Safety Director, Dr. Pat Ashley, Director of Student Services;
- and Hornets' Nest Girl Scout Council - Myra G. Burris, Director of Program.

This program is to be used to best serve the interests of children and not for profit or personal gain.
SAFETY HAVEN CHAIRMAN'S JOB DESCRIPTION

1. Locate homes and businesses in your school's area that can be used as 'SAFETY HAVENS.' Consider obtaining locations where children tend to congregate when school is not in session, such as parks, school playgrounds, and shopping centers.

2. Use Form "D" and have your school make copies of both sides of the form (Pages 6,7) Send a copy of Form "D" home with every child enrolled in your school. (You may wish to run extra copies to use when new students enter school throughout the year, for kindergarten orientation day in the spring, and when you have a large gathering of parents such as at PTA meetings. You may also wish to have them available when you solicit businesses or members of your community who are not parents in your school.)

   NOTE We suggest that you avoid sending Form 'D' home on a Friday. We recommend that it be given to the students on Tuesday and request that it be returned by Friday of the same week. You can type preferred dates on the Form 'D' copy before it is run off.

3. When Forms "D" are returned to you, mail them to
   In Mecklenburg County     Betty Collins
                                 7121 Lancer Drive
                                 Charlotte, NC 28226

   All Other Counties          See Appendix

   Postage for mailings should be charged to your PTA Unit.

   NOTE If you are a chairman only and not serving as a Safety Haven volunteer, you too must be screened. All individuals who handle Safety Haven logos must be screened by the Police Department.

4. After the Character Check (Form "D") has been certified, all materials for your volunteers will be individually packaged and delivered to your school.

   NOTE At this time, please discuss the list of potential volunteers with your school's Principal (or his appointee) to confirm the volunteer's character before you distribute the logos and the other materials in the packet. Your school’s principal may have information that would disqualify a volunteer even though a police check appeared clear. DO NOT ask the principal for reasons if he disqualifies a potential volunteer. This is not a matter for discussion.

5. If your school disqualifies an applicant, after the applicant has been cleared by the police, please mark the Character Check (Form "D") clearly that it has been disqualified and send it to your County Chairman.

   In Mecklenburg County     Jeri Gertzman
                                 6741 Folger Drive
                                 Charlotte, NC 28226

   All Other Counties         See Appendix

   You, as School Chairman, should not keep a record of anyone that has been disqualified.
CONTINUED

Better protect your children with Safety Haven, the special program to do something in late spring to prepare the school for the next year. It is especially important to do something during the school year. It is important that you contact the school for the next year.

Safety. Do NOT FOrGET TO INCLUDE THEM.

At each concert, see Appendix 1. All other concerts, see Appendix 2. Other concerts, see Appendix 3. In the spring, you will receive a list of students' names and phone numbers. These lists can be distributed to your school. To protect your student, use the printed version of the list. If you have any questions, please contact your students' parents.

B. Education of students.


2. NOTE: A', B, and C are the preferred methods of child and parent. The materials are available at home to verify that the child is registered. The materials are available at home to verify that the child is registered.

D. Send the materials to school and ask volunteers to pick them up at your school during certain hours on an appointed date.

C. Pick up materials at school and ask volunteers to pack them up at an appointed day and time-frame of hours and distribute materials.

B. Meet volunteers at the school (library of your school, etc.) to discuss the various neighborhoods your school services.

A. Hold a coffee at school and ask volunteers to attend. This is a good opportunity for distribution.

SUGGESTIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION

distribution from

Remember that the logo after a number has been assigned and recorded before you

of each logo and record the number assigned to your school.

So do that volunteer's logo on the volunteer's character check (Form "A") and

record the number assigned to your volunteer. Number the check of each logo and record the number assigned.

Before you distribute materials to

Page 3

Safety Haven Chairman's Job Description
After your Havens are established, ask your school to send a list of Haven locations home with each student for that student's neighborhood. Put a note on the list of addresses asking the parent/guardian to point out the locations to their child in advance, so that the child will know where the locations are if an emergency arises.

To organize these lists, simply sort the Forms 'D' into bus routes and give each child and the Bus Driver the list of addresses on that particular bus route (that will be a neighborhood). All of those not on buses will receive the "walkers' list. Your school secretary will be able to give you the number of copies necessary for each bus and the number of copies necessary for the walkers.

By January, inform your school's PTA President that you have certificates of appreciation that you would like to present at a school function that honors volunteers. If you do not have a special function, you may wish to do this at a General PTA Meeting. Either you or the President may present the certificates. You are to fill in the names on the certificates and make sure that all volunteers are invited, including those who do not have children in your school. For example, business locations or neighborhood citizens' locations.

In the event a volunteer does not attend, and that volunteer has a child in the school, wrap the certificate in wax paper (to keep it clean) and send it home with the volunteer's child. If the volunteer does not have a child in the school, either mail it using PTA postage or hand deliver it. Only those volunteers registering during the present school year receive a certificate. Others who have registered previously should have already received a certificate. You or your PTA President may wish to recognize those registering previously by asking them to stand as a group or mention them individually, even though they will not be receiving a certificate this year. The School's Chairman (YOU) will receive a certificate at a separate event. These certificates are different from the volunteers' certificates. Do not include your name in the total number you order for your volunteers. In Mecklenburg County, the School Chairmen will receive an invitation to attend a recognitions reception to be held in May.

To order volunteers' certificates (1 for each volunteer registered during this school year) Phone total amount needed one week in advance to In Mecklenburg County Jeri Gertzman - 366-5326 All Other Counties See Appendix

In May, contact your school's Safety Haven volunteers (you will have a record from Forms "D" in your files). If the volunteer does not plan to repeat the service (for any reason) for the next school year, make certain the logo is returned to your school or to you. We must keep a check on logos. If volunteers plan to continue for the next school year, the volunteer retains possession of the logo. Please encourage them to display the logo over the summer and to provide the Safety Haven Service to the children whenever possible.
Community and reaching out to others and by staying from the heart.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THE CHILD'S WORLD A SAFER PLACE BY REACHING OUT TO YOUR

FOR SAFETY HAVE.

You are at a position of using good judgment and discretion in all the work you
of this responsibility is important as your volunteers will reflect your attitude.
You are the front line of defense in this Crime Prevention Program. Your acceptance

from the police. We do not act without instruction. From the police,
Volunteers and paying particular attention to the instructions
Volunteers. You are to relay information to you,
will be expected along with your volunteers to the same.
by the police
School's volunteers so that all areas of one or more of your

A. Please organize a plan of coordinating your school's volunteers, one

Phone Committee

not actions, names, and also use good judgment when reporting gossips.
their schools will be involved. Remember, report incidents,
Chairman of your school's student body will be involved. Remember, report incidents,

C. In Mecklenburg County, you may also wish to inform the safety have

properly report the theft. This is important!
If you have any doubt as to report as

B. Please read the volunteer's job description and make certain that

accidents,

By outsiders (e.g., electronic, photographic, or other), and serious
including, thefts, assaults, vandalism, and other incidents
report these matters to your school principal. This includes bullying

A. The safety haven volunteer reports all serious matters to you. Please

Reporting

13. Good Luck!

President please complete the application on time and submit to the PHA
To this booklet, please discuss this week's work with your principal and PHA.
Provide a similar award at the PHA Council Banquet. We encourage all council to

In Mecklenburg County, the PHA and Gill Scott Council jointly present a
SUPPLEMENT "D"

TO THE PARENTS OF ________________ SCHOOL CHILDREN

We are in the process of getting our SAFETY HAVEN Program organized for the current school year, and we need you to participate. SAFETY HAVEN now operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year. Any hours, morning ___ , afternoon ___ , night ___, weekends ___ , (Please check your choice) that you can donate will be appreciated. Unfortunately child abductors don't keep regular hours, and therefore a child might need emergency help at any time.

SAFETY HAVEN is co-sponsored by PTA (and in some counties PTO) and Girl Scout Councils. The program is endorsed by school boards, local governments, and the North Carolina State PTA. This service project is to prevent crimes against children and to offer emergency help. It is not a babysitting service. Frightening events, minor mishaps, and harm can happen to children in all economic, geographic, and social environments. Your participation in this program can help to prevent these occurrences.

Your job requires that
1. You have a telephone
2. You have good character

Your job is
1. To call 911 or your local emergency number in case of
   a. Serious accident or injury to a child
   b. Physical threat or actual assault upon a child
2. Report children out of school during regular school hours
4. Provide help to bus drivers if needed.
5. Try to handle all situations without taking the child into your home.

ALL SAFETY HAVEN locations are approved. Each applicant is checked by the Police. Sometimes an applicant is refused by error. If this happens to you, you have the right to discuss the matter with the COUNTY SAFETY HAVEN CHAIRMAN, whose number you can obtain from your school's chairman.

SPECIAL NOTE If you have registered as a SAFETY HAVEN volunteer within the past 5 years, and you presently have a logo, there is no need to re-register. If you are a new applicant, or you registered more than 5 years ago, please fill out the reverse side of this letter and return it to your child's teacher by _____________.

If your application is approved, you will be contacted and will receive more detailed information and materials.

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT SAFETY HAVEN For information about SAFETY HAVEN, call "DOLLY" (704) 373-6400 and ask for Tape #662. DOLLY is a service providing taped information on various subjects of importance to the community and is sponsored by Central Piedmont Community College.

THANK YOU FOR CARING ABOUT CHILDREN! THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING FOR SAFETY HAVEN!

GIRL SCOUTS
SAFETY HAVEN VOLUNTEER'S JOB DESCRIPTION

I  Logo and/or Decal Instructions

A  Place your LOGO in the most visible window (that can be seen from the street) inside your glass. You can also place it in a door.
B  If you move, or if you are no longer able to provide this service, your LOGO must be returned to your school. You are to notify your Chairman that the LOGO is being returned to your school.
C  Your Chairman's name is ______________________ and phone number is ______________________.
D  If you return your window logo and if you also have a mail/news box decal, please peel off the decal and discard it. It will peel off in shredds, not in one solid piece.
E  The above directions are MOST IMPORTANT! A strict accounting of the logos and their locations is kept by your school's chairman. Safety Haven operates in many counties throughout the state of North Carolina, and one misplaced logo that falls into the wrong hands could endanger the life of every child in this state. If logos are misplaced, a state-wide recall will be made involving notification to various law enforcement agencies and public service announcements by the various types of media. PLEASE GUARD YOUR LOGO AND TREAT IT WITH RESPECT.

II  Reporting of Serious Incidents

A. You are to report all suspicious incidents to the Police.
B. Extreme emergencies, including custodial kidnapping, should be reported to 911 in counties that have the 911 service. Other counties should report to the proper number designated by their county.
C. Exhibitionists, threats to a child, and assaults should be reported to the Police at the non-emergency number, not 911. Record your non-emergency number on the last page of these instructions.
D. All items reported to the Police (non-emergency or 911) must be reported to your school's Chairman. Your Chairman reports to the school Principal.

An orderly reporting system is important as:
1. The first step insures the involved child's safety (notification to Police).
2. The second step insures that all children in your area are warned (through your school Chairman and Principal) and therefore protected.

NOTE: You are not to become involved in any physical or verbal actions with anyone involved in an incident. You can further endanger the child as well as yourself.

III. Other Reporting Duties

A. If you observe children out of school during regular school hours, report this to the school's Secretary.
B. If you are informed that a child has missed the bus, and the child's parent or guardian cannot be contacted, call the child's school.
C. If a school bus driver reports problems, call the number the driver gives you.

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P. Remember to report the incident to your school's safety haven chairperson.
Q. While waiting for the police and parents, comfort the child.
R. If it is not a threat to the child's safety, call the child's parents/patients.
S. Remember what the child told you and inform the child's parents/patients immediately.

Then call 911 or police non-emergency number immediately.

EXCEPTION: Call the police non-emergency number.

If it is not a threat to the child's safety, call the child's parents.

**Actions**

A. If a child reports an attempted or actual assault to you, you must have logo comfort them.

B. If you wish to learn more, call your local police department.

C. Only share first aid may be administered. Do not give any medication.

D. If you are able to give this service during school vacations time, please do.

E. If you are able to give this service during school vacations time, please do.

F. If you do not feed them, and you will not give them medicine at all times.

G. If you need to go to their service when you are not a babysitter, you will not feed them.

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G. Do not discuss any child's name with anyone. The incident, not the child's name, is to be reported. You must protect the child's right to privacy. If the incident is of public interest, the parents or Police will make statements to the media. If an incident of public interest occurs, you will most likely be contacted by a reporter from the news media. Please use the most utmost discretion in talking with them. Please share information with them only with the parents' permission and the advice of the Police, if necessary.

The success of Safety Haven (a community network of watching and assisting children) depends on YOU. The best news is that no child needs to call on YOU. THIS MEANS EACH OF YOU ARE DOING YOUR PART AND DOING IT WELL AND ARE PREVENTING CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.

THE PTA COUNCIL, PTO'S, AND HORNETS' NEST GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL SINCERELY THANK YOU — AND MOST ESPECIALLY, THE CHILDREN THANK YOU

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS YOU SHOULD HAVE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY    POLICE EMERGENCY - 911

Police non-emergency -

School.

School Safety Haven Chairman

ALL OTHER COUNTIES    Contact your Chairman and record those for your county.
SAFETY HAVEN POINTS ALL CHILDREN SHOULD KNOW

SPECIAL NOTE TO SCHOOL CHAIRMEN  The materials that you use in your educational programs for the children will not cover all of the Safety Points the children should know  Some will cover certain points, some will cover others  Whenever you do a program at your school, whether you do it, a staff member does it, or a School Police Resource Officer conducts it, be certain to cover all of the points listed below  A discussion after a program is a good way to incorporate them or you may wish to send the list home (after discussion) and ask parents to reinforce these important points  REMEMBER  REINFORCEMENT IS THE BEST WAY TO TEACH THE CHILDREN HOW TO PROTECT THEMSELVES

TELL THE CHILDREN

1. LEARN your FULL name and FULL address (street number, city, state, and Zip Code)

2. LEARN to DIAL 911  It is for extreme emergencies only  Use it when you can't get other help or when you are in serious trouble  You may use it from any kind of phone, a regular phone or a pay phone  It is FREE - YOU WILL NOT NEED MONEY!  Tell the person who answers "I am a child and I need help immediately!" DO NOT HANG UP THE PHONE UNTIL HELP COMES, even if you can't keep talking LEAVE THE PHONE OFF THE HOOK!  IF YOU DO NOT KNOW WHERE YOU ARE, IT DOESN'T MATTER, THE POLICE WILL FIND YOU  If you feel like you are far away from home, like in another city and 911 doesn't work, DIAL "0"  You will get help, just don't hang up the phone.

   NOTE  In counties other than Mecklenburg, those that do not have 911, educate your children to the use of "0" for Operator, using these same instructions

3. LEARN your PHONE number and AREA CODE so that when help comes, the help can locate your family quickly for you

4. LEARN your parents/guardians FULL NAMES.  It is especially important if your parents' or guardians' last name is different from yours

5. NEVER get into ANYONE'S car without your parents' permission  If an adult in a car asks you for directions, STEP WAY BACK from the car, and tell the person to ask another ADULT for directions.

6. NEVER tell anyone over the phone that you are at home alone

7. If you are home alone, DO NOT open the door for ANYONE, unless your parents/guardians tell you BEFORE they leave that someone is expected and give you the name of the person who is expected so you can find out who is at your door

8. NO ONE, including a relative or friend of your family has the right to touch you, especially the private parts of your body that are covered by your swim suit  TELL THEM NO!  If any other person asks you to touch the private parts of their body, Say "NO", Get Away, and Tell Someone.  Remember CONTACT - A - FRIEND IS THERE (333-6121) to help if you don't know who to tell.

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If you need help that cannot wait, even for a few minutes, and you cannot get to your nearest help before the adult asks you to ask the adult to make the call for you.

17.

If you need help and cannot get to your home quickly and safely, go to a safety haven.

16.

Do NOT accept gifts, candies, money, or rides (even on a mini-bike).

15.

Never go into ANYONE's home without your parents/guardians permission.

14.

Do NOT go anywhere with ANYONE, including your friends without telling your parents/guardians three things before you leave to detail your parents/guardians' names, addresses, and phone numbers. Tell your parents/guardians three things before you leave to detail your parents/guardians' names, addresses, and phone numbers.

13.

Do NOT play in out-of-the-way places like wooded areas, empty buildings, or homes, or construction sites. Play out in the open where lots of other people can see you.

12.

If you are separated from your parents/guardians, stay with a friend or in a safe place, and call your parents/guardians or a trusted friend, or a relative.

11.

PLAY AND TRAVEL in groups. It's safer and more fun than playing alone.

10.

If an adult asks you to keep a secret, immediately tell your parents or a trusted friend.

9.

With children, keep secrets with other adults.

With children, they keep secrets with other adults.

8.

Adults help other adults; children do not help adults.

7.

Really trust or help someone or helping yourself. Adults help other adults.

6.

If an adult asks you for help, immediately go and get another adult that you trust.

5.

People with whom you keep secrets.

4.

Adults have volunteers. Adults do not keep secrets.

3.

In a crisis, or to learn, ask a trusted person to help.

2.

When you are going with someone who looks like a person you trust, keep asking. Ask who the person is, where they are going, and why they want to go.

1.

Never go with ANYONE you don't know.

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Have not played with or seen before.

The meaning of CHILDCARE is: ANYONE who looks like a person you trust, kind of car, license number if you have one, or even the name of the person who makes motorcycles. From ANYONE without asking what your parents/guardians or a safety haven volunteer told you to do.

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If you feel like you are far away, listen to the TV or radio or read newspapers or signs to tell what city you are in. If you are especially frightened, call 911 or "0." REMEMBER TRY TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU ARE AND DO NOT MAKE THE PERSON ANGRY!

20 Most grown-ups are nice people and like children and try to help children, BUT a few grown-ups are not nice and since you cannot tell good ones from bad ones by the way they look and act, it is important that you learn and remember all of these Safety Haven rules.

STRANGERS CAN BE WOMEN, TEENAGERS, OTHER CHILDREN, PEOPLE IN UNIFORMS, PEOPLE THAT LOOK LIKE GRANDMOTHERS AND GRANDFATHERS STRANGERS CAN BE JUST ANYBODY!

NOTE TO CHAIRMEN We know this is a lot of information to get across to the children. Perhaps you would want to set up with the principal 'SAFETY HAVEN TIP OF THE WEEK" and ask him/her to carefully cover one area of this list every week over the school intercom. Use your imagination as to how you want to get these points across to the children. It is important that they LEARN them. If you discover additional tips for the children, please let us know. You come in direct contact with the children and have the opportunity to learn from them. We always welcome your ideas and suggestions.
SAFETY HAVEN OFFERS SAFETY TIPS

1. Send these home to your parents.

- Please note to children.

At some time during the year,

1. Personal Habits/Appearance

- Caring for children who have been victims

2. Location is important to the modewriter/moderator.

- Avoid using a phone in a crowded place

3. The child is the only one who can hear the

- Then children are the only people who may notice a
SAFETY HAVEN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

CHARLOTTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. School Resource Officer Unit - Call 336-2351, and ask for your School Resource Officer to come to your school and do a Safety Haven Program for your children.

2. From the Film Library - Call 336-2351, and ask for Film Library
   a. The Riddle of the Friendly Stranger - (Old, but perfect or Kindergarten, early elementary) Film #152
   b. When to Say No - (Elementary middle grades, Study Guide on file) Films #210 and #225
   c. Don't Go With Strangers - (Excellent for all elementary age) Film #127
   d. No More Secrets - Film #138
   e. Runaways - (Junior High age) Film #202

MECKLENBURG COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT - Call 336-2724 and ask for your School Resource Officer or Crime Prevention Officer.

1. School Resource Officer Unit - Ask for your School Resource Officer to come to your school and do a Safety Haven program for your children

2. Other Programs Available
   a. Puppet Presentations on Children's Safety - K-3 level
   b. Officer Friendly with Police Car - K-6 level
   c. Halloween Safety - K-6 level
   d. Bus Safety - K-6 level
   e. Pedestrian Safety - K-6 level
   f. Latch Key Children - K-6 level
   g. Beware of Strangers - K-6 level
   h. Hetchhiking - Junior High level
   i. Safety Over the Summer - K-6 level
   j. Think Smart - Junior High level

CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOL MEDIA SERVICES - Have your Media Specialist at your school call and request

1. THE SAFETY HAVEN STORY - Five minute training film - #363-11-006

2. At Home Alone - (Elementary latch key)
   (also available through the Red Cross Youth Services To reserve, call 704-376-1661, extension 227)

3. Better Safe than Sorry, Part II - pending approval of the School System (winter 1984) - K-4 level - a film on sexual molestation, presented in a very tasteful manner, up-beat, featuring delightful children, and using flash cards to give the message "Say NO, GET AWAY, AND TELL SOMEONE.
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of this line to the child. The proper assistance, please reinforce the availability of these services, are trained to handle problems and to get any situation. The child is prepared to handle bad. Please contact the child's agency or social worker.

Channel 26, children may call any time. 24 hours a day, to share their concerns. Be happy or sad - good or bad. The child's agency or social worker is prepared to handle bad. Please contact the child's agency or social worker.

3. SAFETY HAVEN CONTACT-A-FRIND PHONE LINE provided by CHAMBER - 26. CHILDREN may call any time. 24 hours a day, to share their concerns. Be happy or sad - good or bad. The child's agency or social worker is prepared to handle bad.

The child, get a copy of this manual for the child's agency or social worker. Be happy or sad - good or bad. The child's agency or social worker is prepared to handle bad.

3. SAFETY HAVEN SONG - There is a copy in your manual. Ask your child to share their concerns. Be happy or sad - good or bad. The child's agency or social worker is prepared to handle bad.

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SAFETY HAVEN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

CHARLOTTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Crime Prevention Unit - Call 336-2351, Sgt. Pete Toomey, and ask for an Officer to present a program on Safety Haven geared to adults.

2. From the Film Library - Call 336-2351 and ask for Film Library.
   a. Child Abuse - Cradle of Violence (for concerned adults - Discussion Guide on File) Film #196
   b. The Child Molester (somewhat outdated, but excellent for parents) Film #107
   c. Pedophile (Excellent for parents) Film #115
   d. Don't Go With Strangers (for adults, different from children's film of same name) Film #131
   e. Runaways (for Junior High age, but may interest parents) Film #202

MECKLENBURG COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Crime Prevention Unit - Call 336-2347, Crime Prevention and ask for an Officer to present a program on Safety Haven geared to parents or adults.

2. Refer to Children's List - some can be used for adults - Call 366-2347.

WPCO - CHANNEL 36


NOTE: The Safety Haven County Co-Chairmen are available to come to your PTA General meetings in order to assist you in soliciting new or additional volunteers, however, the above listed programs and films are very effective for this purpose.

A WORD OF THOUGHT FOR YOU, AS CHAIRMAN, AND FOR EVERY CITIZEN OF OUR STATE " DO THE ADULTS IN YOUR SCHOOL KNOW THAT PEDOPHILIA IS A THIRD SEXUAL PREFERENCE?????? "

*Heterosexual - desire for the opposite sex
*Homosexual - desire for the same sex
*Pedosexual - desire for children

Do you wish to tell them? It is time that they know. Find a way to let the parents of your children in your school know just what they are dealing with in society today!
Thank you for your interest and support of SAFETY HAVEN.

Your community association

council, act back in Tucker with us and we will need you to implement through
in the area you cannot create the ADA of your local school to protect.

A SAFETY HAVEN volunteer

you are interested in having this program for your community (becoming

SAFETY HAVEN volunteer, you do not have to be a parent or a

school age child to become a SAFETY HAVEN volunteer. You do want to

the city and county police. You do not have to be the parent of a

community crime watch protects your home and your valuables.

The following is a typical SAFETY HAVEN community newsletter article:

through your community newsletters,

SAFETY HAVEN is a program-co-sponsored (underwritten)

SAFETY HAVEN protects your children's!

The program is to protect your children's.

CONTACT the PROGRAM Co-SPONSOR OF YOUR LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

ASSOCIATIONS

SPECIAL MESSAGE TO COMMUNITY
To be presented at the Annual Awards Banquet of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTA's on April _______________ at __________________________ on the following levels

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

GRADE K-6 SCHOOL

GRADE 4-6 SCHOOL

GRADE K-3 SCHOOL

SCHOOL __________________________ (Circle the category for which you are applying)

SAFETY CHAIRMAN ________________________________ PRINCIPAL ________________________________

Entry is to be completed and mailed to __________________________ no later than __________________________

It should be neat and legible for the benefit of the judging committee, however, it is not necessary to be overly creative in design. This award will be judged on the content and quality of safety in your school. Please use attachments if necessary to document your work or to explain in further detail. Supplementary materials such as newspaper articles, pictures, etc. may be included. If the category is not applicable to your school, please mark N/A

I Transportation Safety
   A. Bus Safety
      1. What has your school done to promote Bus Safety?
   
   B. Pedestrian Safety
      1. What has your school done to promote Pedestrian Safety (walking students)?
   
   C. Parent Carpool Safety
      1. What has your school done to promote Parent Carpool Safety? (organization of, conduct, and courtesy in carpooling)
   
   D. Student Driving Safety
      1. What has your school done to promote safe Student Driving? (to and from school and scheduled activities)

   2. What is being done for parking lot supervision?

II Fire Safety
   A. Has your school implemented a Fire Awareness Program?
      1. Are you conducting fire drills per system requirements?
Schools are using programs in your school to promote safety to your students. What types of programs are you using?

Are you conducting programs on how students can protect themselves from harm other than such as assault, molestation, or minor mishaps as well?

Is your school presenting Alcohol and Drug Education programs either during school hours or outside school hours?

C. Are you participating in any other programs to educate your students on how to use Safety Haven and how to protect themselves against abuse or molestation or minor mishaps as well?

Have you been made aware of the Safety Haven Program?

A. What is your school doing to prepare students for tornado warnings, both at home (atch key and at school)?

B. Is there an alternate method of alerting students and staff?
APPENDIX

Chairmen's Names and Numbers

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THE SAFETY HAVEN SONG

(To the tune of Washington and Lee Swing)

I'm gonna follow all my safety rules. The ones I learned at home and learned at school. I'm gonna take care of me...

I'm number one, And feel safe while I'm out having fun. And with my friends, I'll share my happiness My town is safe, it's tops... it is the best. I'm Gonna shout for Joy, For every girl and Boy.Let me chee

Gone is fear, Safety Havens here.....

Lyrics by Jeri Gertzman
Arrangement Donated as a Public Service by Ernie's Record Shop - Charlotte

PTA

GIRL SCOUTS
Help him find his way.

He needs your help!

To get to a Safety Haven
now.

The boy below will show you how.

Is the place for you.

Safety Haven

What do you do?

When you need help,

Students...
SAFETY HAVEN
STUDENT’S JOB

1. Fill in the Dots

2. Safety Haven

3. Go to Safety Havens when you need help.

4. Tell the Safety Haven Person what you need without going into the house.

5. Keep this picture and these rules at your house so that you can learn the rules and can teach your family about Safety Haven.

6. Before you go anywhere with anyone ask yourself:
   A. Do I have my parent or guardian's permission to go with this person now?
   B. Does my parent or guardian know that I am leaving now with this person?
   C. Has the person told my family what time I will be returned home?

If you cannot answer yes to all 3 questions, GET AWAY from the person as quickly as you can and report the person to your family or to a Safety Haven Volunteer.

SPECIAL MESSAGE TO PARENTS OR GUARDIAN.

Safety Haven is a free service to Mecklenburg County Students sponsored by Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTA’s and the Hornets' Nest Girl Scout Council to provide emergency help to students as they travel between their homes and schools and while at play. To become involved in this program call your child's school or Hornets' Nest Girl Scout Council at 704-537-7974.
Don't Clown Around With Your Safety

Look for your Safety Haven signs
If you can see them, they can help you out
Family and friends place them all around
It is very easy for you to find
Now the Safety Haven mushroom sign

Find the Mushrooms

Co-sponsored by:

the Chaffee-McLean County Council of Parents
and the Harbour's Nest Girl Scout Council
KIDS

If you’re at home alone and you can’t reach your parents... What do you do if you have a problem?...

Maybe you hear a strange noise or you think your pet may be sick, maybe you smell something strange or maybe you’re just lonely and need to talk to someone.

CONTACT-A-FRIEND
The Kids’ Help Line
333-6121
(day or night, seven days a week)

PARENTS

This program in cooperation with the CONTACT telephone counseling services WPCQ Channel 36 United Way Girl Scouts and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg PTA’s Safety Haven is a public service designed to help kids with problems 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is staffed by trained volunteers who are ready to help. The CONTACT-A-FRIEND line is not meant to replace usual emergency numbers or procedures. It acts as a supplement to these services. We urge you to place the CONTACT-A-FRIEND sticker on or near your telephone and discuss the use of CONTACT-A-FRIEND with your children and talk about when it would be appropriate for them to call (lonely, frightened problems that they can’t handle or if they have good news they want to share).

If you need more stickers please call:
The Public Affairs Department at 536-3636
MEMORIZE all of these numbers - do not forget your

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Your Parent's Friend's
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Your Grandparent's
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Your Father's Work
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Your Mother's Work
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Emergency Number

Answer the questions below:

SAFETY HAVEN PHONE TIPS

Importantly: if you are in immediate danger, call 911. If you think you are in immediate danger, call 911.

1. The telephone is not a toy. If you "play" on the phone, you will not be able to receive calls from people that need to call your home.
2. You tell anyone that you are home alone.
3. Do not talk to people who use bad language on the phone. Hang up.
4. Lear your area code (744) and your phone number.
5. Never talk to strangers over the phone. Do not even answer their questions.
6. If you need to talk with someone and cannot reach your parent/grandparent, call your Grandparent.
7. Contact your parent at 333-6121.

Parents, teach your children to determine the address from which they call for help, so that help can be sent immediately.
THE SAFETY HAVEN NEWS

MUSHROOMS MUSHROOM IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY

A NEW SIGN IN NEIGHBORHOODS
by Jeri Gertzman and Betty Collins

A special sign, called a logo, has and will continue to appear in homes and some business locations throughout Mecklenburg County. This logo pictures a huge mushroom sheltering two children, as if to keep them from harm and to protect them from day-to-day minor worries such as being bullied on the way to school. This logo is a part of THE SAFETY HAVEN PROGRAM which was developed especially for Mecklenburg County's schools. STUDENTS! Look for these signs as they are good signs in your life.

HELP WANTED!

* Needed: PTAs, PTOs to communicate to parents the story of SAFETY HAVEN.
* Benefits. A better atmosphere for our students to live in and learn in.

* Needed: Adult volunteers for new and existing SAFETY HAVEN PROGRAMS.

* Salary. Rewards of Safe, happy children.

* Respond by calling your school.

SPECIAL TO PARENTS

If your school has the SAFETY HAVEN PROGRAM and you wish to do your part in helping to protect children and to prevent crimes against your children, call your elementary school today and find out how you can participate. Volunteers are needed seven days a week, but any days or any hours you can help will be appreciated. This is a FREE service to all, as SAFETY HAVEN IS co-sponsored by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council of PTAs and the local Girl Scout Council. For more information, call your school or 537-7974.

SAFETY HAVEN SPECIAL MESSAGE TO STUDENTS

Sometimes you may need the help of a good and capable adult as you travel between your home and school or while you are out playing. This help will be in all neighborhoods and it is called THE SAFETY HAVEN PROGRAM.

Safety Haven Homes are homes and businesses that have a special sign, called a logo, in a window on the front of the home or building. When a place displays the Safety Haven logo, it is giving you a special message. The message is. If you need emergency help, this is a good, safe place to go. The grown-up at this place has been trained to give you all the help you need without taking you into the house. The grown-up at a Safety Haven location has been checked and certified and will be a safe person who will give you help.

Safety Haven is for you. It was developed and paid for by the PTA and Girl Scouts to show you how much we think of you and that we care about you. In your school, you will be shown this special sign. REMEMBER, if you need help and cannot get to your home quickly and safely, go to a SAFETY HAVEN location.

(OVFR)
For the Great Taste
It's a Good Time

Ronald McDonald will show you how to get to Safety Haven, now!

Get your council at 704-537-7744.

In order to participate in this program call your child's school or home. Nestlés
certifies that the adult on the premises who comes in contact with the young child or student
will be at play. Safety Havens are usually homes, but can be cer-
boys and girls.

Safety Haven

Sign

Look for the

Special Message to Parents or Guardians:

Is the place for you?

What do you do?

When you need help,