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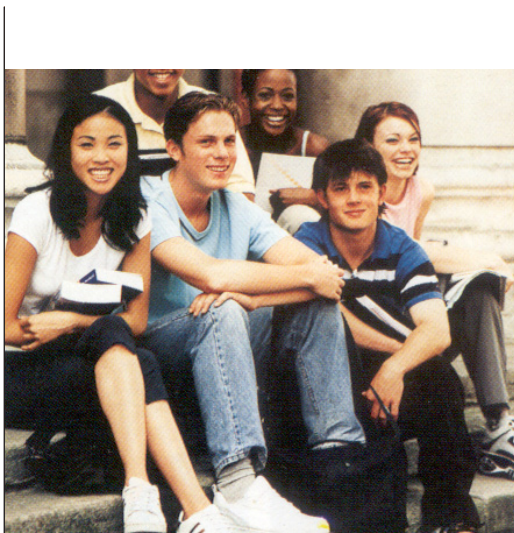
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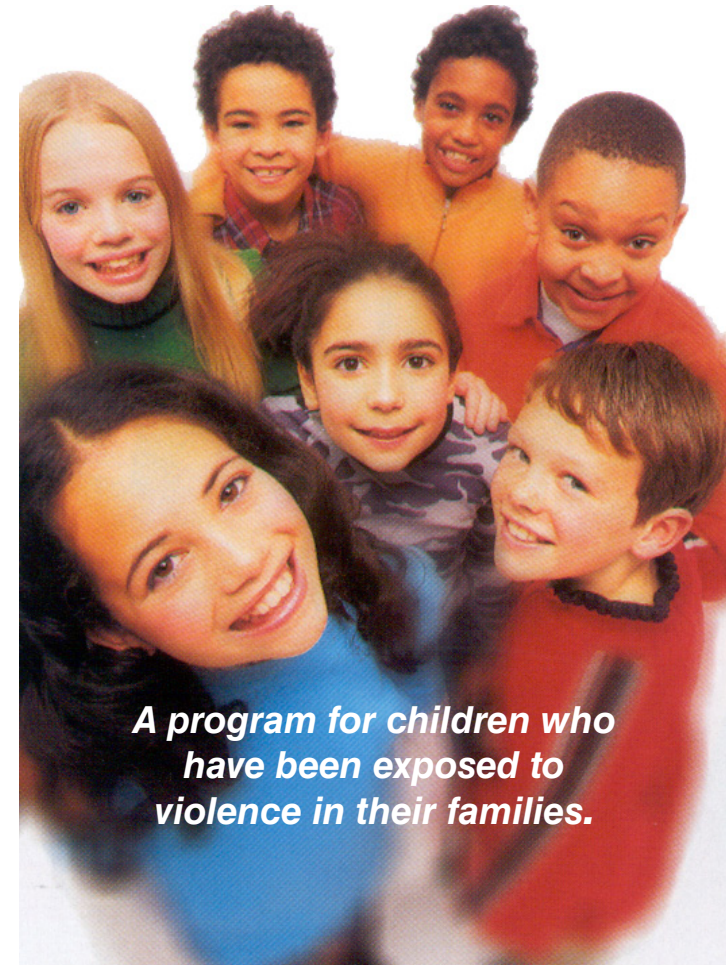


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# Safe Start Kids Group



*A program for children who  
have been exposed to  
violence in their families.*

Under a new County Council initiative, Montgomery County is offering a program of education and counseling to help children deal with topics such as:

- ✓ conflict resolution
- ✓ fears
- ✓ safety planning
- ✓ peer relations
- ✓ self esteem
- ✓ guilt reduction

Licensed counselors may provide:

- ✓ an assessment of each child's needs
- ✓ referral to a 12-week education counseling group
- ✓ information and referrals for other needs

The counselors will work with children at various locations such as schools, County facilities and the counselor's offices. Groups will be scheduled in the afternoon and early evening. Referrals can be made through County agencies such as the Department of Health and Human Services, the Office of the Sheriff, the Department of Police and the Office of the State's Attorney.

Counselors will work with private insurance, Medicaid and the County for reimbursement.

For further information, please call the Abused Persons Program at 240-777-4195 or the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office at 240-777-7016.

