



DARKNESS TO LIGHT TRAINING POSTPONED

HICKORY -- The Darkness to Light training originally scheduled for the evening of Feb. 24 at Carolina Theater in Hickory has been postponed due to expected inclement weather.

The training will be offered on March 2 instead. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. and training will begin at 6:30 p.m. Free childcare will be available. No registration is required; any adult is invited to attend on a first come, first served basis.

Leadership Catawba and the Children's Advocacy & Protection Center of Catawba County are offering this free training. This program, Stewards of Children: Darkness to Light, is designed to train adults in how to prevent, recognize and respond appropriately to child sexual abuse.

A free kids' movie will be shown during the training for children 5 or older who are accompanying their parent or other adult. The children's entertainment will be shown in the upstairs theatre with child care provided. Children will also receive a free drink and popcorn.

This event is made possible through support from the following: the United Way, Crawford Sprinkler Company, Lenoir-Rhyne University Schools of Education and Counseling, On The Level Home Services, and Renaissance Financial Partners of North Carolina, LLC.

The Children's Advocacy & Protection Center is seeking to train 6,000 adults in Catawba County in Darkness to Light. Research has shown that this number is a tipping point that will result in a change in community awareness and response to the sexual abuse of children.

For more information about this event or Darkness to Light training, contact Kate Landry at klandry@catawbacountync.gov or call the CAPC at 828-465-9296.