

SAFE PLACES  
**Sprouts**

These seven children represent only a few of the children we have worked with in our weekly groups throughout Pulaski County – over 1,500 children served in 2011. All of them very precious little Sprouts!

# Sprouts: A Campaign for Growing Safe Children

A person who plants a seed always hopes for a good harvest - hopes that even the tiniest seed will sprout and then grow taller . . . with roots strong and deep.


That's what Safe Places hopes for our children, and that's why we teach even toddlers and preschoolers about safe, healthy relationships.

Of course, Safe Places will always care for people who have been harmed by violence . . . hurt or abused in some way, or kicked or slapped or hit. But we think it's even more important to teach little ones and young ones that hands are **NOT** for hitting!

Hands are for helping and working and making things.

Hands are for waving hello and good-bye, for shaking hands and giving "High-Fives" and for reaching out to friends.

Safe Places is not funded by our grants to teach these important lessons about safe relationships.

 Still, we keep planting seeds . . . always looking for sprouts to appear, watering and feeding, season after season.

***So we really need your help to fund our programs for children – children who are victims of sexual abuse, exposure to family violence, dating violence, internet violence, exploitation and trafficking.***

***Will you plant a tiny seed and watch for sprouts with us by signing up to contribute a tiny bit every month?***



***Will you do it today for our children, and ask others to do the same?***



***Will you do it right now and help make sure that Safe Places will be here for children today, and in the future?***

***Just \$10 a month (or more if you can). Complete the attached Direct Debit Agreement.***

***Or become a Sustaining Donor at [www.safeplacesLR.org](http://www.safeplacesLR.org) by clicking the "HELP US BY DONATING TODAY" button in the upper right hand side of the page.***

**And on behalf of every little "Sprout" we have helped and will help in the future, THANK YOU!**