

**Events for Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

*Sexual assault affects 1 in 3 adult Texans over their lifetime.  
In 2021, 199 children died due to abuse and neglect in Texas.*

**April, 2022, Austin, Texas** — April is both Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The SAFE Alliance and our partner organizations are hosting events throughout the month to help our community understand these serious health concerns.

**Upcoming CAPM events**

SAFE's **Strong Start program** will be present at many of the following events.

**April 9 – Dove Springs Egg Stavaganza** is a drive-through event with activities and prizes for the whole family. The event will be at George Morales Dove Springs Recreation Center. **Learn more here.**

**April 10 – 10th annual Chicano Park Easter Egg Hunt Eggstravaganza** offers face painting, pictures with the Easter Bunny, free food and drinks, and much more at 2-5 p.m. at Chicano Park.

**April 21 – SAFE Baby University Day** is a resource fair at Success High School in Round Rock at 2 p.m.

**April 23 – Burnet MS 5th annual Spring Fiesta** offers games, arts and crafts, concessions, and health, dental, and legal resources at 1-3 p.m. at Burnet Middle School.

**April 24 – Blue Sunday Day of Prayer** is put together by United Way for Greater Austin, the Success By 6 Coalition, and faith communities. **Learn more here.**

**April 30 – Kids Fest and Unity Walk** is a family-friendly outdoor festival that celebrates schools. Food, a food pantry, entertainment, resources, mobile Covid-19 vaccination clinic, and more will be available. **Learn more here.**

**Upcoming SAAM events**

**Starting April 7 – “What Was I Wearing?” exhibit** is an in-person gallery at the Consulate General of Mexico in Austin featuring stories submitted by survivors and the outfits they were wearing at the time of the assault. **Learn more here.**

**April 12 – Legal Avenues to Healing & Justice** is a special panel by the Texas Legal Services Center. The panel is 1-2 p.m.

**April 19 – End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) Conference** takes place live in San Francisco, with a virtual option available. [Learn more here.](#)

**April 25 – Applications are due to attend APD Victim Services EMDR training.** You can click the link below to learn more about this free training for counselors. [Learn more here.](#)

**April 27 – Denim Day** is when millions of people across the world wear jeans in support of survivors of sexual violence. [Learn more here.](#)

**April 28 – UT Take Back the Night** takes place at the UT Main Mall. A gender-inclusive event highlighting the movement to end sexual violence. Survivors will be able to speak out in an open-mic session, enjoy performances, attend a resource fair, and enjoy free food and wellness goodies during the event. [Learn more here.](#)

**April 30 – The Brave Alliance Be Brave 5K** is a family-friendly run/walk for Sexual Assault Awareness and Child Abuse Prevention Month. [Learn more here.](#)

#### **About SAFE**

At SAFE, we strive to provide safety, stability, and healing for children, adults, and families that have experienced violence and abuse. We do this by providing shelter and housing, support services, and prevention programs to stop the cycle of violence. Learn more at [safeaustin.org](http://safeaustin.org).

#### **About Strong Start**

SAFE's Strong Start program empowers families through early childhood services and family support. The program is for parents of children 0-11 years of age who are seeking positive strategies to improve their kids' behavior and reduce the stress of parenting. Learn more at [safeaustin.org/strongstart](http://safeaustin.org/strongstart).

#### **About Eloise House**

SAFE's Eloise House clinic provides 24/7 free sexual assault forensic exams and medical care. Learn more at [safeaustin.org/eloisehouse](http://safeaustin.org/eloisehouse).