
Day of the Homeschooled Child

Outreach toolkit for homeschool alumni



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Welcome letter

Dear friend,

Homeschooled children deserve safety and dignity. But unfortunately, the law does little to protect them, instead making it easy for abusive parents to hide, isolate, and harm their children. These children's suffering is nearly invisible to the outside world.

At CRHE, we see this problem clearly, and it's why we've worked to make homeschool safe for the past decade. This year, we're proud to roll out a new way to do just that.

April 30, 2023, will be the first-ever Day of the Homeschooled Child. This new annual observance is dedicated to remembering the children harmed by the U.S.'s minimal homeschool laws and raising awareness of the unique challenges homeschooled children face.

We need your help to make this first Day of the Homeschooled Child a success. As a homeschool alum, your experience matters, and your voice is powerful. There's no one better positioned to fight for homeschooled children of today and tomorrow than the homeschooled children of yesterday.

We've created a toolkit to help you do just that. It includes social media posts, graphics, facts, and statistics you can share as well as actions you can take. Every action, no matter how small, counts.

Together, we can make homeschool safe for the children of today and tomorrow. We thank you for your support as we stand up for homeschooled children this April and beyond.

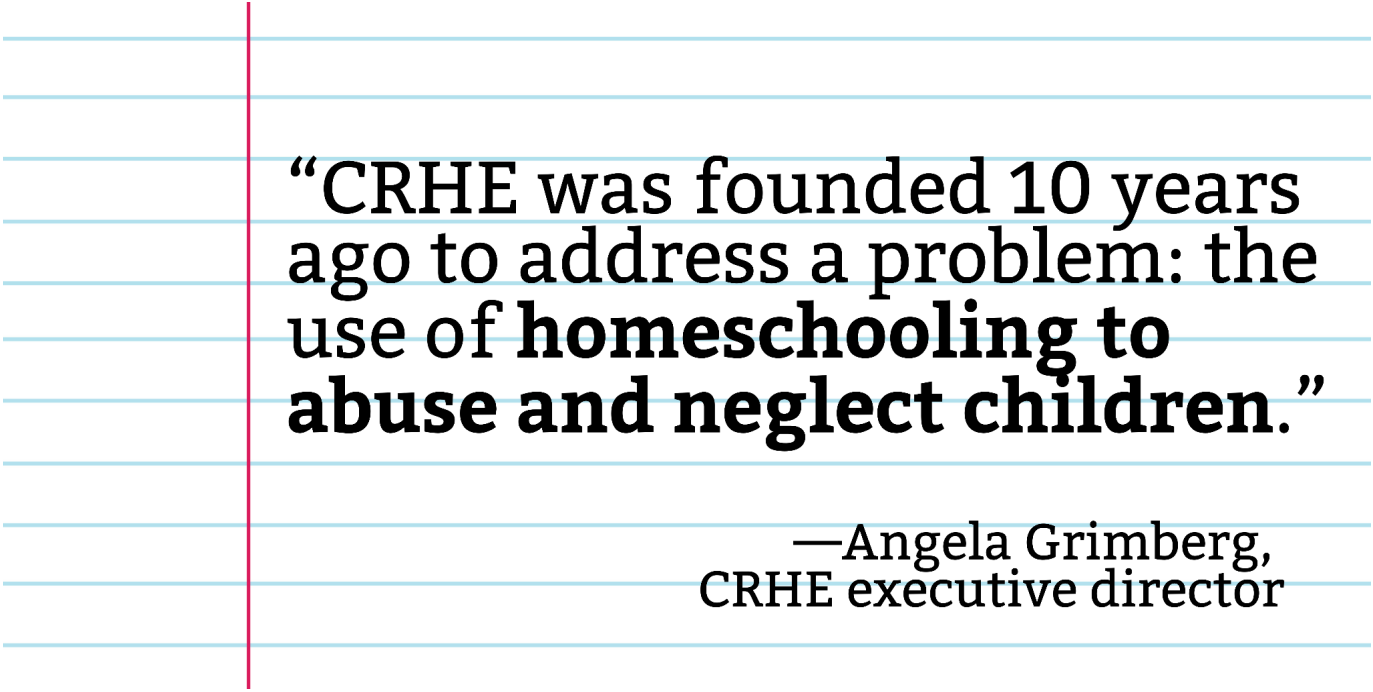
Thank you,

The Coalition for Responsible Home Education

Take action

Here's how you can take a stand for homeschooled children this April (and beyond):

- **Wear green and take a selfie** to show your support for homeschooled children. Be sure to post it on April 30 and use #DayOfTheHomeschooledChild.
- **Tell us your homeschool story.** Send us your testimonial for our website or social media.
- **Share a case** from our Homeschooling's Invisible Children database on social media.
- **Sign the Bill of Rights for Homeschooled Children** and send it to a friend.



“CRHE was founded 10 years ago to address a problem: the use of **homeschooling to **abuse and neglect children.**”**

—Angela Grimberg,
CRHE executive director

Stories

At CRHE, we maintain [Homeschooling's Invisible Children](#) (HIC), a database of child abuse and neglect cases in homeschool settings. HIC contains hundreds of cases. You're welcome to explore HIC to find a case from your state or one that resonates with you personally. Below, we've selected 16 cases you can share on social media or with family and friends.

Every HIC case contains details of child abuse, neglect, and torture that may be triggering. When you share these stories, please be sure to include an appropriate trigger warning.

Fatalities

- [James Alex Hurley](#)
- [Eduardo Posso](#)
- [Adrian Jones](#)
- [Emani Moss](#)
- [Jeanette Marie Maples](#)
- [The Hart children](#)
- [Calista Springer](#)
- [Budde Lee Clark](#)
- [Natalie Jasmine Finn](#)
- [Kendrick Lee](#)
- [Tyler Raines](#)
- [Raylee Browning](#)

Survivors

- [The Turpin children](#)
- [Angel Dwyer](#)
- [A., an 8-year-old girl in West Virginia](#)
- ["Nora," a 10-year-old girl in Connecticut](#)

Social media

Helpful hints

- **Tag CRHE in your posts.** We're @responsiblehomeschooling on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), and @responsiblehs on Twitter. Also, be sure to use the hashtag #DayOfTheHomeschooledChild.
- **Use our [official graphics](#).** We've created graphics for each of the [selected HIC cases](#) and for other [Day of the Homeschooled Child stats and facts](#).
- **Make these posts your own.** Social media algorithms suppress duplicate posts. You can personalize these sample posts by telling your story, changing the wording, or adding emoji.
- **Include a trigger warning when appropriate.** If you're posting about child abuse or neglect, include a trigger warning at the top of your post so your audience knows what to expect.

Homeschooled
children
deserve *safety*
and *dignity*.

Sample posts

- As a homeschool alum, I know first-hand how much power homeschooling has in a child's life. Homeschooling can help children. But it can also hide abuse and neglect. Join me today in standing up for homeschooled children's rights:
<https://responsiblehomeschooling.org/bill-of-rights/>
- As a person who was homeschooled in *[name of your state]*, I know homeschool law doesn't do enough to protect children there. For example, in *[name of your state]*, *[horrible homeschool law and its consequences]*. Homeschooled children deserve better than this. That's why I'm grateful for CRHE's work to #MakeHomeschoolSafe. Find out how you can help: <https://dayofthehomeschooledchild.org>
- *[HIC victim]* was homeschooled in *[name of state]* just like me. Because *[name of state]*'s homeschool laws don't do enough to protect children from abusive families, *[what happened to HIC victim]*.

It doesn't have to be this way. On April 30, #DayOfTheHomeschooledChild, you can stand up for *[name of state]*'s homeschooled children. Sign the Bill of Rights for Homeschooled Children and help make homeschool safe for them:

<https://responsiblehomeschooling.org/bill-of-rights/>

- April 30 is #DayOfTheHomeschooledChild. It's a day to remember the children harmed by the U.S.'s minimal homeschool laws and to #MakeHomeschoolSafe for them. Join me in taking a stand for these children by signing CRHE's Bill of Rights for Homeschooled Children: <https://responsiblehomeschooling.org/bill-of-rights/>
- Homeschooled children deserve safety and dignity. That's why I'm taking part in Day of the Homeschooled Child. Held April 30, it's a day to honor the lives of children harmed by

homeschooling and to fight for their rights. Join me:

<https://dayofthehomeschooledchild.org>

- Today is #DayOfTheHomeschooledChild, and I'm wearing green today to honor the children harmed by minimal homeschool laws across the country. Join me in taking a stand for over 1.7 million children who need our help:

<https://dayofthehomeschooledchild.org>

**Tell their
stories.**

**Make
homeschool
safe.**



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