

What can be done to keep children on the streets safe?

Share your thoughts as part of our monthly Inequality Question

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Parents our children are our responsibility.

All children deserve to grow up in a safe environment not the streets so protect every child under your care from ending up on the streets.



How To Stop Children Running Away | Supernanny

by Supernanny

YOUTUBE

Should the parents be responsible for their children and what happens when they are not responsible? – ANONYMOUS

No child should grow up on the streets.



Child Safety Good & Bad Touch

by HappyKidz

YOUTUBE

Because even street children are human and still children. They deserve to be treated equally like other children who are at home.
— ANONYMOUS

MAGUMBA YOWASI

children and young people on street face the danger of gang and recruitment, which ends them in danger of risking their lives, this should stop completely.

Okirori

Educate children and parents about basic skills to make them better people and perhaps then children can make better adults and parents in future

Martin's

Children such as relapse cases seems likes there is no preparation and assessment of both a child and family, In this case we need to make prior preparations and assessments before children are resettled so they can stay home and be safe.

What is the whole process of reunification of a child?
— ANONYMOUS

Firstly, identify child-assess child-prepare child-rescue child-identify family-Assess family-prepare child-prepare family-reunify child-Empower family-realease family. Have you been answered? Philemon — ANONYMOUS

Philli

How about if we thought of long term plans for these children, other than just reunifying them with their families, relatives and caretakers and it ends at that?

Great idea-What kind of long term plans? — ANONYMOUS

NAWAYA SHAMIMU

By getting ways in which the children on streets can enroll to school.

Narwada shamina

creating relationships with children will help to restore trust that will become a turning point of a child's life

Beautiful idea, building trust with these children. — ANONYMOUS

MUWAGUZI ENOCK

By giving street children love, attention and care however much they might respond negatively.

Bagoile Shafik

There should a collective punishment for these people that sexually abuse and harass young girls

Also the government should sensitize people on children's rights and responsibilities. — ANONYMOUS

Create an enabling environment for violence against children.

Brenda

Also the government should put strict laws against people who sell drugs to the children — ANONYMOUS

wabwire innocent

Those who exploit and use children on street for labour should be put under the law and punished.

Does a country like Uganda have laws that protect children from being exploited?? — ANONYMOUS

Yes the laws are in place it's just that they are not functioning or practiced by the people. — ANONYMOUS

NABUKWASI

Police should stop harassments on street children

Yes the brutality is too night most especially in African countries
— ANONYMOUS

They should know the children's rights — ANONYMOUS

Every child should grow up in a home and not the streets so the parents and care givers should make sure no child leaves home to go to the streets.

Ellison

I think the government and other people should help fund organisations that are working towards keeping children off the streets like SALVE.

Emiya

👍❤️👍 – ANONYMOUS

okirori Ali

Police should stop scapegoating street children for crimes as some end up in cells innocently

Good Idea, however there are many street children involved in abuses, robbery and theft – ANONYMOUS

Alowo

Teach street connected children about the dangers of drug use.

Good idea – ANONYMOUS

We need a total ban to drugs like mafuta ,heroin and others
– ANONYMOUS

sentongo enock

parents, relatives ,stepmothers put children at risk as they violence them , this should stop as well

And once they are mistreated at home that is why the children end up on the streets. – ANONYMOUS

We should teach children their responsibilities and not only their rights such and they do things wisely

Blessing

Parents and care givers should play their role in up bringing the children and there will be no child on the streets and they will be safe at home.

Nairuba

wafura brian

children need to be given shelter since they are exposed to coldness ,rain and wind

Sharon

street children are at risk of trafficking's and exploitation.

we should help children understand and realise and this will keep them safe..luutu joseph

We could stop the police and community members from attacking them. They should be protecting them not harming them

We can help keep children on the streets safe by providing temporary shelter during nighttime as well as support and guidance when it comes to reporting abuse. Children may be hesitant to seek support, so having people on the ground, educating children about their rights can help keep them safe.

Teaching families more so the parents, on the proper way of raising children.

Interesting thought, what is one thing you think parents should be taught? – ANONYMOUS

Stop domestic violence, proper parenting and provision of domestic needs to the children should be taught to the parents
– ANONYMOUS

Carrying out street to street counselling and guidance through daily walks...philimon Nakatu

Nice idea, what are some of the things you think should be discussed in street counselling? – ANONYMOUS

Ofcourse peer pressure, acceptance, drug use, theft, education, generally career guidance for young people to help them not to go back to reality of hopelessness and depression.🙄 – ANONYMOUS

Resilience, forgiveness, mindset change and importance of living with In a proper family. – ANONYMOUS

By encouraging parents and guardians on how to respect children's fundamental rights ..kanakulya

What do you think those fundamental right are? – ANONYMOUS

Right to shelter, education and health care. – ANONYMOUS

Discipline your children thoughtfully. Never discipline your child when you are upset. Give yourself time to calm down. Remember that discipline is a way to teach your child. Use privileges to encourage good behavior and time-outs to help your child regain control. Most children end up on the streets because of being punished at home by their parents.

Grace

Thoughtful answer – ANONYMOUS

So brilliant @Grace – ANONYMOUS

Teach children their rights. When children are taught they are special and have the right to be safe, they are less likely to think abuse is their fault, and more likely to report an offender.

Mary

Very interesting, who do you think should teach children these rights? – ANONYMOUS

The parents and the government should sensitize the masses on children's rights. – ANONYMOUS

Also charities that support street connected children take the responsibility to teach these children their rights such as right to education, right to food, shelter to mention but a few
– ANONYMOUS

Let's protect the children's rights.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN EDUCATION
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- A child means everyone under the age of 18.**
- Children need the right help at the right time to address risks.**
- Remember 'it could happen here' where safeguarding is concerned.**
- We are all responsible for the welfare of children and keeping the environment safe, whatever our job.**

What is safeguarding?
Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is defined as: protecting children from maltreatment; preventing impairment of children's health or development; ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care; and taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

What do I need to do?

- ALWAYS ACT** In the best interests of the child. Never promise confidentiality.
- KNOW HOW** To identify children who may benefit from early help.
- KNOW THE DIFFERENT** types of abuse and neglect, so that you can identify children who may be in need of help or protection.

Know what to do if a child tells you they are being abused or neglected.

Know who the Designated Safeguarding Lead is and talk to them as soon as you are concerned.

Everyone must read: Keeping Children Safe in Education Part One and Annex A, Child Protection policy, Staff behaviour policy.

Any staff member can make a referral to children's social care, but they should inform the designated safeguarding lead as soon as possible.

If a teacher finds Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) appears to have been carried out on a girl under the age of 18, the teacher must report this to the police.

All concerns, discussions and decisions made and the reasons for those decisions should be recorded in writing.

Staff Behaviour
If you are concerned about the behaviour of any staff member, you should speak to the headteacher. If concerns about the headteacher should be referred to the Chair of Governors.

Whistleblowing
If you're worried about poor or unsafe safeguarding practices, or potential failures in the school, talk to the Designated Safeguarding Lead, any senior leader, or the Chair of Governors. If you feel unable to talk someone in school, you can call the NSPCC whistleblowing helpline on 0800 028 0285 or email: help@nspcc.org.uk.

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Agreed! What do you think is the best way we can do that?
– ANONYMOUS

The governments should strengthen the prevention policies on the rights of children. they should not be taken advantage of because they need support both emotional and physical.

Blessing

Nice answer, what kind of prevention policies do you think would help? – ANONYMOUS

For the people who are mistreating children, they should be arrested. – ANONYMOUS

Children are our future so it is our responsibility to keep them safe. All children belong to a family and not the streets.

Sarah



Nice thought, how do you think we can keep them safe and off the streets? – ANONYMOUS

By parents and care takers doing their responsibilities in the lives of their children. – ANONYMOUS

Children should be able to report any crimes against them to the police



What is stopping them from doing this? – ANONYMOUS

I think they fear police! – ANONYMOUS

What do you think can help encourage children to report these crimes? – ANONYMOUS

I think organisations like S.A.L.V.E. and other organisations working with street connected children helps with advocacy for children's rights. – ANONYMOUS

Governments should make sure that children don't have to sleep on the streets at night time by providing safe houses or accommodation



I think Government has done it's part to help street children but the people responsible are so much corrupt. – ANONYMOUS

Interesting idea, do you think most children would like that option? – ANONYMOUS

Ofcourse, many children feel comfortable being with their friends than family at home – ANONYMOUS