Donna Funderburke-Parker



Parenting in today's world is a difficult and frustrating endeavor. Now, more than ever, parents need to be knowledgeable about the dangerous influences that threaten the lives of our children.

Donna Funderburke Parker has dedicated the past twenty-five years to promoting public awareness and parental education on issues involving *child safety* and *youth culture*.

Donna believes that the best deterrent to family heartache is a well-informed parent! Frequently, Donna will be heard sharing her expertise in a variety of seminars and workshops as a guest speaker and on monthly WZZK, The Eagle and 960WERC radio news programs in the areas of:

- Alcohol And Other Drug Use And Trends
- Sex and Dating
- The Occult
- Sex Abuse Intervention and Prevention
- Internet Dangers
- Dangerous Youth Trends and Fads
- Parenting Skills

Donna is a Certified Life Coach and is the Resource & Education Director for **Safe Harbor**; a faith-based organization that is dedicated to educating communities about the dangers that face today's young people and restoring families who have been negatively affected by their teenager's behavior.

Donna is also an advisory board member of the National Physicians Center and Family Matters.

Donna's past work with children include volunteering as a Juvenile Probation Officer, head house parent for autistic and schizophrenic children, foster parent and youth pastor. She is past recipient of the "National Hometown Hero Award" given by Dr. James Dobson's Focus on the Family Ministry. Donna has also been recognized by the National Physicians Center with its "Service to the Family Award." In 2007, Donna received a "Certificate of Appreciation" from the Vestavia Hills Board of Education for her work with Vestavia Hills High School parents and administrators.

Donna has assisted in the enactment of several important pieces of child safety legislation in Alabama, including the **Community Notification Law** and the **Teacher Background Check Law**. She has also cooperated with state and federal law enforcement officials across the country in undercover operations to investigate and prosecute people who use the Internet to prey upon young people. She has introduced three bills in the 2007 Alabama Legislature that will combat certain drugs and paraphernalia that are currently legal, but a danger to young people.

Donna's contributions to the community has been widely reported in the press. Her work was featured in an MSNBC featured-spot entitled, "Special Report: Cyber Street Walkers." Donna also appeared in "World Wide Web of Deceit," an educational video on Internet predators and pornography. She has also been featured in an Investigative Report in The Washington Post's Insight Magazine as well as appearing on local news and national talk shows throughout her distinguished years of service.