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## In-N-Out Burger<sup>®</sup> and The Parenting Center Join Forces for Child Abuse Prevention Month

Fort Worth, Texas – March 13, 2014 – April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and blue pinwheels have been distributed statewide as a demonstration of the belief that we can all prevent child abuse and neglect. On Thursday, April 3, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., In-N-Out Burger is graciously donating hamburgers or cheeseburgers, chips and drinks at The Parenting Center through their Cookout Trailer for the first 300 guests. Our staff, board members and volunteers will be wearing blue, the color that represents Child Abuse Prevention Month, to help bring awareness to Tarrant County.

This month and throughout the year, The Parenting Center encourages everyone to play a role in making Tarrant County a better place for families. In 2013, Tarrant County reported that **5,689** children were victims of abuse and neglect. Our goal is to surround children with the type of support we all want to have. We do this because we believe strong families are the center of a strong community.

## **About The Parenting Center:**

The Parenting Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a mission of providing families the tools to succeed. The agency impacts over 16,000 individuals a year through its Family Life Education, Counseling, Case Management and Co-Parenting programs. To learn more about The Parenting Center's dedication to safeguarding our children, please contact 817-632-5515 or visit www.theparentingcenter.org.

## Editor's note:

Members of the media are invited to the event on Thursday, April 3, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. at 2928 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street Fort Worth, TX 76107. The event is free, and members of The Parenting Center will be available for comment. Look for reserved media parking at the event.



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