



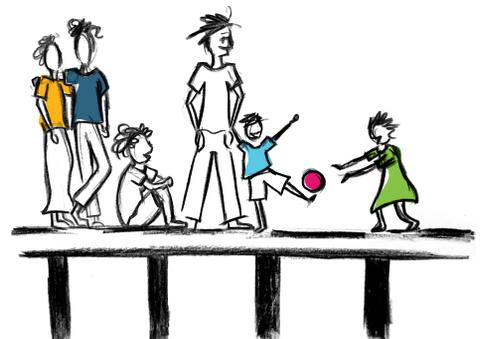
NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES ARE **SAFE HARBOURS** FOR FAMILIES

**Children benefit when
we bring people together
to create connected communities.**

Neighbourhood centres play a special role in building the types of communities that are best for children ... where people are friendly ... where children feel safe and valued ... and where parents can get the support that they need. A community centre can be like a safe harbour for a family, especially if they are navigating choppy waters.

We can all help to create a safe harbour for families when we:

- Bring families and communities together.
- Welcome a child with a smile or remember their name.
- Listen to children and act on what they say.
- Be a friend to a parent or carer.
- Help parents and carers get the support they need.
- Create fun, child-friendly spaces.
- Speak up when we see inappropriate behaviour towards a child or something that isn't safe.



NAPCAN is the **National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect** and commends neighbourhood centres for the wonderful work they do creating great communities for children.

Visit www.napcan.org.au to find out more about:

- how to get involved in National Child Protection Week in the first week of September
- how to create a child safe organisation
- free training for people who work and volunteer with children

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