

SYSTEMS ACCOUNTABILITY HELPS EVERYONE

Systems must be accountable to the people they serve. This means that a system is well-suited to support child and family well-being when everyone involved prioritizes survivors' perspectives, co-designs practices and policies with them to ensure that they meet their needs, and adapts and changes to continuously do better by them. *The answers to 2 questions can help us understand how accountable, survivor-centered systems make a better world:*

1. WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR SYSTEMS TO DO BETTER BY SURVIVORS?

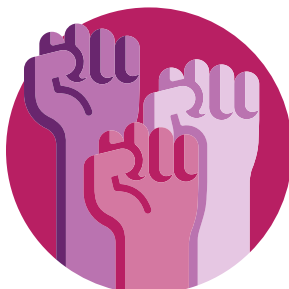
Children need to be safe, loved, and have hope for the future.

Survivors deserve compassion and help – and help looks different for everyone!

Prevention takes a smaller toll – socially and financially – than intervention does.

Racism and inequities in the system cause intergenerational harm to children and families

Professionals and service providers want and deserve to feel good about the work they're doing.



2. WHAT BECOMES POSSIBLE WITH ACCOUNTABLE SYSTEMS?

Adult and child survivors can be safer together because they are prioritized and cared for.

Responses to violence work because they center the unique circumstances of individual families

Communities are resourced to prevent violence

Agencies and leaders collaborate and support each other to improve, repair institutional harms, and help people heal

A supported workforce can respond resourcefully to meet families' needs and create better outcomes