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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Show and Shine Fundraiser 22 July 2017

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The mission of Protection for the Unprotected is to prevent child abuse of any sort through education and public awareness, advocating for children, and partnering with other community support services. Our vision...a society that offers all children a safe, healthy and nurturing environment; a place where children are valued and families are supported by a community dedicated to the well-being of every child.

We want to make it known that it is everyone's responsibility, by law, to report abuse. We do not offer counselling or advice and we will not give our personal opinions. We are simply here to raise awareness with the goal of letting children know that abuse is not ok and that there are people out there who care and will support and direct them in times of trouble.

We are motivated, enthusiastic and have goals that will take hard work and time to achieve. But, as our motto says, "We will not go away!"

As members of Protection for the Unprotected we are once again approaching the county for your continued support. Our annual Show and Shine is a major fundraiser. Money raised from the 2016 event went to support local Lakeland Victim Services. The event is comprised of a motorcycle/car/truck show, vendor market place, bounce houses, face painting, balloon art, and a general good time accompanied by great music and entertainment for both adults and kids. Newly added this year is a kids bike category where children of all ages are encouraged to shine and/or decorate their bicycles, quads, electric power cars etc. As in the years past, the event drew hundreds of people; an amazing boost to tourism and economy of this community. We are on track to do even better this year. We are requesting permission to close off three blocks of main street Ashmont during daylight hours Saturday 22 July (north of Railway Ave) directly in front of Porky's BBQ pit. This closure allows us the opportunity to provide a safe environment for all who may attend. In addition Protection for the Unprotected is seeking permission to utilize the grass area looking down main street to erect two 20' x 40' tents for our vendors market as well as set up of an out door stage on the evening prior to the event. Clean up of the area will be completed NLT 23 July and traffic will no be affected outside of the dates requested. Any assistance from the county in providing street sweeping for the event, road closure devices such as street barriers and notice of closure to area residence would be greatly appreciated.

We invite you to visit our website: [www.protectionfortheunprotected.com](http://www.protectionfortheunprotected.com) for more information.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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