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## **Stand Strong Against Cyberbullying**

*Safe Streets Cyberbullying Prevention Forum*

*Tacoma, Wash., May 14, 2015* – Bullying continues to be a real problem in Washington State schools, and with the advent of social media it is no longer a problem that stays at school. Cyberbullies are able to harass 24/7 through social networking sites and web enabled devices. According to the Teen Online & Wireless Safety Survey 81% of young people think bullying online is easier to get away with than bullying in person. 68% of teens agree that cyber bullying is a serious problem but only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult of their abuse.

Join the Safe Streets Stewart Communities that Care Coalition Tuesday, June 2, for a free Cyberbullying Prevention Forum and learn how to create a cyber-safe environment, both at home and on-the-go. Cyber-safety is defined as ensuring a online experience free of abuse by recognizing online risks, making informed decisions, and taking appropriate actions to protect themselves while using digital media.

This **FREE** forum will be held at **Stewart Middle School from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM** and will include presentations from expert guests, including Jo Landford, M.A., - Author, Therapist, Dynamic Event Speaker & Parent. This is designed to be a family friendly event. A light dinner and childcare will be provided for attendees at no cost.

- **WHAT:** Cyberbullying Prevention Forum
- **WHEN:** Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- **WHERE:** Stewart Middle School (1501 S 72<sup>nd</sup> St, Tacoma)
- **PRICE:** FREE!!!
- **Register:** Attendees can RSVP advance by following this <https://goo.gl/LHH3ZJ>

For more information, visit our [website](#) and [Facebook](#) page as we will be updating them regularly. If you are interested in learning more about this event or if you would like to volunteer please contact Liz Glavish at [eglavish@safest.org](mailto:eglavish@safest.org).

### **About Safe Streets**

Safe Streets Campaign is the first private, non-profit organization that unites neighbors against crime—a model for other programs nationwide. Serving Tacoma and Pierce County since 1989, Safe Streets equal a safe community. Both private and public funds support Safe Streets' community efforts. Learn more at [www.safest.org](http://www.safest.org).

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