

Charter of Social Responsibilities Corresponding to Children's Needs

Physical needs

Protection from harm
Food (adequate nutrition)
Shelter
Warmth (clothing)
Personal space (comfort)
Health and health care
Rest
Sleep
Exercise
Fresh air and water

Metaphysical needs

Order
Protection and guidance
Autonomy
Equality
Freedom of opinion and expression
Truth
Honour and inherent dignity
Responsibility
Security (feeling of safety)
Risk
Privacy
Social life
Roots (attachment bonds and nurturant relationships; love, belonging, connectedness to family, language, religion, culture, neighborhood, community, region, and country)

Children's needs are defined as the nutriments or conditions essential to a child's growth and integrity. For each need of a child there is a corresponding parental responsibility. For each parental responsibility, there is a corresponding social institutional responsibility to support the parent in the fulfillment of that responsibility.