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## **ABOUT THE FILM**

A Feature-Length Documentary by  
Terri DeBono & Steve Rosen

**Boyhood Shadows** explores the emotional carnage of childhood sexual abuse.

The film journeys with Glenn, a survivor of sexual abuse at the age of ten – but now 48 years old, chronicling his struggle to make sense of his life as a child in the clutches of a sexual predator, forced to hold his secret and shame inside. His troubled teenage years were spent quelling his pain with alcohol and drugs. Then, as an adult – after decades of suffering, addiction and living on the streets – he finally came up for air.

*One in six boys is sexually molested by the age of 16.*

*The typical child sex offender molests an average of 117 children.*

*60% of sexual assaults are unreported.*

Glenn's story is detailed by wrenching testimonials of his family, who each recognized something was wrong with this once-golden-boy – but until just recently, were at a loss to understand the cause of his devastation.

His journey is interwoven with those of other boys-turned-men, their stories different, but sadly, all the

same. Yet...there is hope. Glenn is now the director of Chandler House, a sober-living facility in Los Angeles. Others are also living their lives outside the shadows... a scholar, a news broadcaster, an actor, a therapist.

**Boyhood Shadows** is about boyhood sexual abuse. About pain. Betrayal. Addiction. Devastation. But it also shines a light on the strength of the human spirit. Dignity. Honesty. And even, humor.

**Boyhood Shadows** is a new documentary by award-winning filmmakers Terri DeBono and Steve Rosen, founders of Mac + Ava Motion Pictures in Monterey, California.

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