

# Domestic Violence Awareness Month

## October 2017



Date(s) of Event	Time	Event Description:	Location	Contact information	Sponsoring Organization(s)
September 27-October 31	8:00 – 4:30 pm week days	Clothesline Project	Mclean county	Senna Adjabeng 309-834-9249	Mid Central Community Action- Neville House
Month of October	All Month	<p>1. Survivors are painting inspirational messages on rocks that will be hidden in various places around town. On the back of the rock will be the Center's Facebook URL and a request to post it on our page when found. Then they can keep their rock, re-hide or make their own.</p> <p>It will be advertised by posting flyers at various businesses and places around town and via social media.</p> <p>2. Children's group will be making "Thank you" cards that will be distributed to various law enforcement departments in the service area.</p>	Various places in town	Danielle DeFaro	Crisis Center Foundation
Month of October	All Month	Domestic Violence 101: The Fulton County Arts Council will display t-shirts completed by survivors of domestic violence in the Atrium of Graham Hospital.	Graham Hospital 210 W. Walnut Canton, IL 61520	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service Phone: 309-647-7487	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service
Month of October	All Month	Purple ribbons and banner in front of DuPage County courthouse.	DuPage County Courthouse, Wheaton, IL	www.familyshelterservice.org	Family Shelter Service
Month of October	All Month	We ask the community to post pictures of their pets. At the end of the event the picture with the most likes will win a gift certificate.	Facebook	(217) 222-0069	QUANADA
Month of October	Mon.-Fri. 8:00 am-5:00 pm	Domestic Violence 101: Purple Ribbons will be available to help promote awareness in our communities.	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service 1330 E. Ash Street Canton, IL 61520	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service Phone: 309-647-7487	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service

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Month of October	8:00 am	Purple Purse raffle and promotion.	Neat Repeat Resale 7026 W. 111 <sup>th</sup> Street., Worth, IL 9028 W. 159 <sup>th</sup> Street Orland Park, IL	Chris Beele, Director of Neat Repeats Resale Stores 708- 429-7255	Crisis Center for South Suburbia
Month of October	All Month	Hy-Vee Foods of Canton will be selling cupcakes (purple frosted) in honor of DVAM.	Hy-Vee Foods of Canton 825 N. Main Street Canton, IL 61520	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service Phone: 309-647-7487	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service
October 1, 2017	7:30 pm	Light up the Lakefront To launch Domestic Violence Awareness Month, join us as we light thousands of luminaries in honor of the adults and children affected by domestic violence	North Avenue Beach 1600 N Lake Shore Dr.	<a href="http://ow.ly/L5m030fh9DH">http://ow.ly/L5m030fh9DH</a>	Between Friends
October 1-7, 2017	8:00 am	All Volunteers dress in purple and provide purple ribbons to customers.	Neat Repeat Resale 7026 W. 111 <sup>th</sup> Street., Worth, IL	Chris Beele, Director of Neat Repeats Resale Stores 708- 429-7255	Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 2-31, 2017	Every day	Fundraising partnership with Allstate Purple Purse Challenge.	Family Shelter Service, Wheaton, IL	<a href="http://www.familyshelterservice.org">www.familyshelterservice.org</a>	Family Shelter Service
October 2-31	Every day	The Allstate Foundations Purple Purse Challenge is an online fundraising competition benefiting domestic violence survivors and educating the community about financial abuse	Online		Between Friends
October 2-31, 2017	Every day	Purple Purse Challenge	Online	Senna Adjabeng 309-834-9249	Mid Central Community Action- Neville House
October 1-14	8:00 am	CCSS D4A Fundraiser Promotion until October 14.	Neat Repeat Resale 7026 W. 111 <sup>th</sup> Street., Worth, IL 9028 W. 159 <sup>th</sup> Street Orland Park, IL	Chris Beele, Director of Neat Repeats Resale Stores 708- 429-7255	Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 2, 2017	12:00 pm	Wear purple and join us in the lobby to hang ribbons and take a photo in front of the ficus tree in recognition of DVAM	5145 N California Ave Chicago, IL Galter Pavilion	<a href="mailto:spieters@betweenfriendschicago.org">spieters@betweenfriendschicago.org</a>	Between Friends
October 2, 2017	6:00 – 7:00 pm	DV awareness exhibits, victim testimonies, music by Bel Canto children's choir, Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx guest speaker.	Marie Irwin Center Band Shell, Homewood, IL	Vicki Meilach 708-794- 2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssf1.org">vmeilach@ssf1.org</a>	South Suburban Family Shelter

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October 2, 2017	12:00 – 12:20 pm	The plaza fountain outside the Peoria County Courthouse will turn purple this October in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The courthouse is teaming up with The Center for Prevention of Abuse for a press conference to announce the month-long campaign, remember victims, support survivors, and join forces in the community to fight against domestic violence.	The Peoria County Courthouse, Plaza Fountain 324 Main Street Peoria, IL 61602	(309) 691-0551	The Center for Prevention of Abuse
October 2-31, 2017	All Month	Allstate Foundation Purple Purse Challenge Ignite public awareness to the problem of domestic violence and fundraising for CCSS by joining the Allstate Foundations' Purple Purse Challenge. The Purple Purse Challenge is a friendly fundraising competition that has raised nearly \$5.5 million for nearly 200 national, state and local nonprofits and the survivors they serve since 2017	Donations can be made at: Neat Repeats Resale Stores or on line at <a href="https://www.crowdrise.com/crisis-center-for-south-suburbia-purplepurse2017">https://www.crowdrise.com/crisis-center-for-south-suburbia-purplepurse2017</a>	Jay Capron 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia and The Allstate Foundation
October 2, 2017	9:30 am- 1:00 pm	Interfaith Prayer Vigil & Decorate Description: Campus Blessing of the Ribbons then we would like volunteers to assist in decorating the campus (main lobby, cul- du- sac, waiting rooms, etc.)	MacNeal Hospital 3249 S Oak Park Ave Berwyn, IL 60402	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services, MacNeal Hospital
October 2, 2017	10:00 am	Remember My Name Poem Reading and Candle Lighting with Missy Bolhuis and Residential Staff.	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 S. Timber Dr. Tinley Park, IL 60477	Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential Services (708) 429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 2, 2017	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Domestic Violence 101	Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477	708-429-7255 ext 134	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia

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October 2, 2017	6:00 – 8:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">"Whole Again; My Transformation" Vigil</p> <p>To kick off Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Safe Passage, DeKalb County's only Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Center, will host a Survivor Speak-Out. This year's theme is "Whole Again; My Transformation." The event free and open to the public.</p> <p>The event will focus on raising awareness of the issue of domestic violence and sexual assault in our community. It will allow survivors and other community members to share their stories and stand together, publicly declaring that domestic violence and sexual abuse and assault are unacceptable crimes with no place in our community.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">More event information can be found at: <a href="http://www.safepassagedv.org/events">www.safepassagedv.org/events</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">First Congregational United Church of Christ 615 N 1st St, DeKalb, Illinois 60115</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">kbaker@safepassagedv.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Safe Passage</p>
October 3, 2017	12:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Remember My Name Survivor Celebration, Tonya and staff will cook a special lunch and service the clients.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential Services (708) 429-7255</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Crisis Center for South Suburbia</p>
October 3, 2017	5:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Wear Purple and meet us at Community Bank of Oak Park River Forest</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1001 Lake St Oak Park</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Colleen Sutkus <a href="mailto:csutkus@sarahsinn.org">csutkus@sarahsinn.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sarah's Inn</p>
October 3, 2017	10:00 am – 1:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">We will be tying purple ribbons to trees at the hospital to build community awareness of the health risks of domestic violence.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">355 Ridge ave Evanston, IL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="mailto:spieters@betweenfriendschicago.org">spieters@betweenfriendschicago.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Between Friends</p>
October 3, 2017	10:00 am- 2:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">The Clothesline Project bearing witness to domestic and sexual violence. Come honor the survivors and memorialize the victims of domestic and sexual violence and speak out against domestic violence.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">John A. Logan College Carterville, IL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Women's Center</p>
October 3, 2017	6:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">City Proclamation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Charleston City Building Charleston, IL 61920</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">HOPE of East Central Illinois (217) 348-5931</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">HOPE of East Central Illinois</p>
October 3, 2017	6:30 – 7:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Executive Director will meet with the Rock Falls City Council to receive the Proclamation of October 2017 as DVAM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">603 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Rock Falls, IL 61081</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Phone number: 815-625-0343</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">YWCA of the Sauk Valley</p>
October 3, 2017	7:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">"Let's Stay Together" live internet radio show topic is domestic violence- SSFS Executive Director Jennifer Gabrenya will be interviewed.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Internet radio show <a href="http://www.soarradio.com">www.soarradio.com</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">South Suburban Family Shelter</p>

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October 4, 2017	9:30 am-12:30 pm	Training: Victim and PAIP Services: Holistic Approach to Domestic Violence	Bridgeview Courthouse (Basement Conference Room) 10020 S. 76 <sup>th</sup> Ave Bridgeview IL	Maria Cedeño, Director of Victim Services or Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential and Prevention Services 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 4, 2017	5:00-6:30 pm	Grundy County Take Back the Night: an evening acknowledging the impact of domestic violence on the Grundy Community. Keynote address by survivor, Vickie Sue Crumb, with introduction by Jason Helland.	Grundy County Courthouse 111 E. Washington Street Morris, IL 60450	gacsprograms.org/dvam or 815-941-2261	Guardian Angel Community Services
October 4, 2017	2:00 pm	Remember My Name Art Project, Abby Moran and staff will provide facilitation.	Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477	Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential Services (708) 429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 4, 2017	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Candlelight Vigil- to remember those who have been touched by domestic violence and those who have died	Woodstock	815-338-8081 <a href="http://www.turnpt.org">www.turnpt.org</a>	Turning Point, Inc.
October 4-6, 2017	All Day	The Medical Advocates from Crisis Center for South Suburbia will have a resource table on each of those days in the cafeteria of LCMH to launch and promote DV Awareness Month.	Cafeteria Little Company of Mary Hospital 2800 95 <sup>th</sup> St. Evergreen Park, IL 60805	Maria Cedeno, Director of Victim Services 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 5, 2017	7:00pm	We will be having our Candlelight Service for victims and survivors on Thursday, October 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 205 West Main, Shelbyville, Illinois. The service will last less than an hour. Light refreshments will follow.	First United Methodist Church, 205 West Main, Shelbyville, Illinois	Susie Kenail <a href="mailto:Shelbydove@consolidated.net">Shelbydove@consolidated.net</a> or (217) 774-3121	Dove, Inc.
October 5, 2017	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Mc Peace. McDonald's donates part of their proceeds from 6p-8p that night. Our staff is there to greet customers and talk about DV Awareness.	McDonalds	(217) 222-0069	QUANADA
October 5, 2017	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Coats for Hope/ Box Wrapping Day: Media event to kick off the Coats for Hope awareness and fundraising Campaign to bring awareness to children impacted by DV as well as raise funds for 5 Domestic Violence Agencies.	Byron Middle School 696 N Colfax St Byron IL, 61010	Ruth Carter Phone: 815-562-4323	HOPE of Ogle County, VOICES of Stephenson County, YWCA of the Sauk Valley, Remedies and Safe Passage.
October 5, 2017	2:00 pm	Remember My Name and Pamper me day! Sarah Tygart and staff with outside vendors.	Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477	Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential Services (708) 429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia

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October 5, 2017	9:00 am – 7:30 pm	<p>In Her Shoes: <i>"In Her Shoes"</i> is an activity that will help participants understand the ups and downs a battered woman experiences over the course of many years. The scenarios in <i>In Her Shoes</i> are based on true stories – the experiences of women with abusive partners as told to us by them. The stories reflected typify the complex and dynamic nature of domestic violence, while also calling out the more specific barriers that battered women face when they are poor or become poor as a result of domestic violence.</p> <p>You need not be present the whole time. The activity itself should last about half an hour - forty five minutes.</p>	Elgin Community College Heritage Room B181 1700 Spartan Drive Elgin IL 60123	847-697-2380 Community Crisis Center	Community Crisis Center
October 5, 2017	8:00 pm	<p>Stand Up for Sojourn: A Good Act to Follow</p> <p>An exclusive 8:00pm show with comedian Tim Meadows. Tickets are \$50 each and include the show, a meet and greet, 2 drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are available from 10am- 4pm, Monday-Friday at Sojourn Shelter &amp; Services (1800 Westchester Blvd, Springfield) and Donnie B's Comedy Club (3455 Freedom Dr, Springfield) or by calling 217-726-5100 ext. 209</p>	B's Comedy Club 3455 Freedom Dr, Springfield	Angela Bertoni 217-726-5100 ext. 209	Sojourn Shelter & Services, Inc.
October 5, 2017	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Thanking Our Police officers: Children involved in Domestic violence will decorate paper craft "thank you cards" for our Police stations and they will be distributed to the Policemen in the community.	Bridge View Library 7840 W 79 <sup>th</sup> st. Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 5, 2017	3:00 - 6:00 pm	The Clothesline Project bearing witness to domestic and sexual violence. Come honor the survivors and memorialize the victims of domestic and sexual violence and speak out against domestic violence.	Benton Civic Center Benton, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women's Center
October 5, 2017	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Candlelight Vigil - Speakers include Columbia Mayor, Columbia Police Chief, Survivor, Darlene Jones, ED Violence Prevention Center of Southwestern IL	City Hall - 208 S. Rapp Columbia, IL	www.vpcswi.org	Violence Prevention Center of Southwestern IL



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October 5, 2017	7:00 – 8:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Book Talk: Black and Blue by Anna Quindlen</b></p> <p>Join us during Domestic Violence Awareness Month for a book talk and discussion about domestic violence and how we can help stop the spread of this epidemic in our communities.</p> <p>Our book of choice is “Black and Blue,” by Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Anna Quindlen, a novel about a woman and a marriage that begins with passion and ends with violence. An Oprah Book Club pick in 1998, it is an impactful story full of suspense, substance, and importance that places the reader directly inside the horror, confusion, and hopelessness of main character Fran Benedetto. It asks the question, if it were you, what would you do? Would it be easy to walk away?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To register call (847) 810-4610.</p> <p>In our Lake County communities, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 7 men will experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner at some point in their lifetimes. That is over 117,000 women and 87,000 men in Lake County alone.</p> <p>This book is just the start of an extremely necessary dialogue in our communities. Domestic violence cannot be hidden in the shadows. It must be discussed, highlighted, pointed out, and advocated against.</p> <p>Turn the page and help us raise awareness and stop the spread of domestic violence in our communities.</p>	Lake Forest Library, 360 E Deerpath Rd in Lake Forest	847-810-4610	A Safe Place
October 6, 2017	11:15 am – 1:30 pm	Naperville Chamber of Commerce Women in Business networking event and luncheon featuring staff and informational table for Family Shelter Service.	White Eagle Golf Club, 3400 Club Drive, Naperville, IL 60564	www.familyshelterservice.org	Family Shelter Service
October 6, 2017	10:00 am – 1:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Counseling and Medical Advocacy Departments Giving Back to the Community</b></p> <p>Both Counseling and Medical Advocacy Program Staff will be making and serving lunch at the Ronald McDonald House in Oak Lawn from 10am to 1pm as a team building activity and all staff will be wearing purple to promote DV Awareness Month. All staff will pitch in to buy and prepare the meal at the Ronald McDonald House for the Parents of the sick children at Advocate Children’s Hospital.</p>	Ronald McDonald House Oak Lawn IL	Maria Cedeno 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia

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October 6, 2017	All Day	Wear purple Fridays: Children of Universal and Aqsa School will participate in wearing purple for Domestic Violence awareness month.	Aqsa School 7361 W 92 <sup>nd</sup> st Bridgeview, IL 60455 and Universal School 7350 W. 93 <sup>rd</sup> St. Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 6, 2017	10:00 am – 4:00 pm	VOICES of Stephenson County and Highland Community College will partner to "paint Freeport purple". We will tie purple ribbons on trees and lamp posts in the downtown and campus areas. In addition the Book Nook (VOICES used bookstore) will sell purple tulip bulbs and purple light bulbs to help raise awareness and educate families regarding domestic violence. Attached to the bulbs will be a card explaining the dozen bulbs for a dozen ways to prevent domestic violence campaign.	Book Nook 1255 W Galena Freeport, IL 61032	815-235-9421 <a href="http://www.voicesofsc.org">www.voicesofsc.org</a>	VOICES of Stephenson County
October 6, 2017	10:00 am	Remember My Name Inspiration Day! Sol and residential staff.	Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477	Tonya Schassburger, Director of Residential Services (708) 429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 6, 2017	5:00 – 8:00 pm	Family Rescue, in collaboration with the 003 <sup>rd</sup> and 004 <sup>th</sup> Districts of the Chicago Police Department, will host their 16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Domestic Violence March in honor of Domestic Violence Awareness Month on Friday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2017. The Domestic Violence March will take place from 5:00pm till 8:00pm at Bessemer Park located at 8930 S. Muskegon Avenue, Chicago, IL 60617.  The Clothesline Project, Silent Witness and The Empty Chair Exhibits will be featured for the community to view. We welcome all to join the march against domestic violence! Following the march, there will be a candlelight vigil and balloon release to honor the victims who lost their lives to domestic violence.	Bessemer Park located at 8930 S. Muskegon Avenue, Chicago, IL 60617	Tricia LaPointe, 773/375-1918 or <a href="mailto:t_lapointe@familyrescueinc.org">t_lapointe@familyrescueinc.org</a>	Family Rescue
October 6-8, 2017	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Tag Day to support the Crisis Center for South Suburbia	Outside participating Jewel and Fresh Line Stores in Orland Park and Oak Lawn	Karen Leluga 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 7, 2017	9:30 am	22 <sup>nd</sup> District CPD Domestic Violence sub-committee Dog Walk to raise awareness about domestic violence and the link with animal abuse	W. Monterey Ave., Chicago.	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	CPD DV sub-committee South Suburban Family Shelter



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October 7, 2017	12:00 – 1:00 pm	Piecing Peace Together: As part of our Week Without Violence, the community will jointly create a 12' X 12' piece sign which will include a 3' x 2' purple ribbon to promote domestic violence awareness.	412 1 <sup>st</sup> Avenue, Sterling, IL 61081	Phone Number: 815-625-0343 www.ywca.org/saukvalley	YWCA of the Sauk Valley
October 8, 2017	Morning	Bank of America Chicago Marathon- SSFS is 1 of 10 domestic violence programs in partnership for "Run Domestic Violence Out of Town" team. Sponsors ,supporters, volunteers welcome.	Chicago, IL	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a> More information is at: <a href="mailto:marathonteam@batteredwomensnetwork.org">marathonteam@batteredwomensnetwork.org</a>	South Suburban Family Shelter
October 8, 2017	8:00 -10:00 am	Participating Agency for Oregon's Autumn On 5K Hold an event table and supply 5K and Fun Run participants with granola bars and information about HOPE at the table and in 5K bags.	Oregon High School 210 S 10th St. Oregon, IL 61061	HOPE of Ogle County Phone: 815-562-4323	HOPE of Ogle County
October 9, 2017	7:00 – 8:00 pm	In recognition of October being Domestic Violence Awareness month, DeWitt County Dove would like to invite you to our annual Candle lighting ceremony.	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 502 N. Monroe St. Clinton, IL 61727	Any questions please feel free to contact Jennifer Tolladay at Dove 217 935-6619	Dove, Inc.
October 9, 2017	6:00 – 7:30 pm	Candle- evening of Healing and Hope	Mclean County	Senna Adjabeng 309-834-9249	Mid Central Community Action-Neveille House
October 9, 2017	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	The Clothesline Project bearing witness to domestic and sexual violence. Come honor the survivors and memorialize the victims of domestic and sexual violence and speak out against domestic violence.	SIUC Faner Breezeway Carbondale, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women's Center
October 10, 2017	10:00 am – 1:00 pm	"Educate don't tolerate": Organization individuals will volunteer to be at Christ Hospital throughout different departments of the hospital educating woman and individuals about domestic violence. There will be a table set up for AAFS with flyers and brochures of information on DV.	Advocate Christ Medical Center 4440 95 <sup>th</sup> St. Oak Lawn, IL 60453	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 11, 2017	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Walk In Her Shoes Participants will experience a day in the life of a domestic violence survivor	Human Resource Center 118 E Court Paris, IL 61944	HOPE of East Central Illinois (217) 348-5931	HOPE of East Central Illinois
October 11, 2017	6:00 – 8:00 pm	DV Survivor Speak-out and Candlelight vigil	720 W. Joan Ct. Peoria, IL 61614	(309) 691-0551	The Center for Prevention of Abuse

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October 12, 2017	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Self Advocacy 101 Did you know that you are your own best advocate in constructing your future? Join us and learn more about the power you have to advocate for yourself and those around you.	The Women’s Center Carbondale, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women’s Center
October 12, 2017	9:00 – 10:45 am	Building Healthy Relationships & Sexual Health: will address sociological, psychological and practical ideas and concerns related to sexual health and relationships with the involvement of Domestic Violence along with sexual assault.	Moraine Valley Community College 9000 College Pkwy Palos Hills, 60465	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 12, 2017	5:00- 6:00 pm	Domestic Violence Awareness Month Open House/Vigil	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service 1330 E. Ash Street Canton, IL 61520	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service Phone: 309-647-7487	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service
October 12, 2017	7:00- 8:30 pm	We will hold our annual candlelighting ceremony on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. The Church is located at 201 W. North St.	First United Methodist Church; 201 W. North St., Decatur, IL 62522	www.doveinc.org	Dove, Inc.

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October 13, 2017	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Continuing Education Workshop Series for Direct Service Workers:</p> <p>Workshop 1: Mindfulness and Self-Compassion: Sustainable Self-Care Practices for Helping Professionals</p> <p>Workshop 2: Understanding cultural humility and its application to social work practice</p>	Salvation Army Community Center 229 West Main Street, Decatur, Illinois	<a href="https://2017continuing.ed.eventbrite.com">https://2017continuing.ed.eventbrite.com</a>	Dove, Inc.

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October 13, 2017	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Neopolitan Lighthouse will be hosting its Annual Domestic Violence Dinner on October 13, 2017, in order to recognize Domestic Violence Month and honor the survivors of abuse that the agency serves. This dinner will be held at the agency's domestic violence shelter facility, and will be served to clients residing in the shelter.	Neopolitan Lighthouse's confidential shelter facility.	For more information, please call 773.638.0228.	Neopolitan Lighthouse
October 13, 2017	All Day	Wear purple Fridays: Children of Universal and Aqsa School will participate in wearing purple for Domestic Violence awareness month.	Aqsa School 7361 W 92 <sup>nd</sup> st Bridgeview, IL 60455 and Universal School 7350 W. 93 <sup>rd</sup> St. Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 14, 2017	6:00-9:30 pm	"Gimme Shelter" -- A fund-raising gala honoring Freedom House founder Nedda Simon, with a theme inspired by the Rolling Stones hit song ("Love, sisters, it's just a kiss away.") The evening will feature delicious food, presentations by Nedda and Board members, a karaoke contest, and a live auction in which attendees can underwrite nights of shelter for victims made homeless by domestic violence.	Chapel Hill Event Center, Princeton, IL	freedomhouseillinois.org	Freedom House
October 14, 2017	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Four mile bicycle ride to "Break the Cycle" of violence. We also will have a window display about Domestic Violence Awareness month in one of our downtown stores	Family Crisis Center 110 NW 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue Aledo	(309) 582-7233 on Mercer County Family Crisis Center Facebook page	Mercer County Family Crisis Center.
October 14, 2017	8:00 pm	eNOough: Arts Against Abuse, \$15 Proceeds benefit Run Domestic Violence Out of Town team member, which benefits SSFS.	the Drama Group 330 W. 202 <sup>nd</sup> St, Chicago Hts.	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	The Drama Group and South Suburban Family Shelter
October 14, 2017	5:00 – 10:00 pm	Dance 4 Awareness <a href="http://www.ccssd4a.com">www.ccssd4a.com</a> In recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, CCSS is hosting their 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Dance for Awareness fundraiser. This fun-filled family event will not only raise awareness regarding domestic violence, but also provide outreach and education about healthy relations and introduce CCSS's programs and services to new friends.	Moraine Valley Community College 9000 College Pkwy, Palos Hills, IL 60465	Contact Kerri Twiemeyer 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 15, 2017	1:30 – 3:00 pm	SSFS representative will conduct a presentation about DV dynamics and resources available.	DV Ministry at St. Thomas Apostle Church, Chicago	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	St. Thomas Apostle Church and South Suburban Family Shelter

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October 15, 2017	3:00 – 7:00 pm	Samella Ramirez event Ms. Ramirez is partnering with the Crisis Center for South Suburbia and is raising funds and awareness for victims of domestic violence and making a donation to CCSS	Growth Gathering Fellowship Gym 10441 S. Racine, Chicago	Jay Capron 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 15, 2017	9:30am-12:00pm	Stride Against Violence is Apna Ghar's annual 5k run/walk to commemorate national domestic violence awareness month. Each year, we have over 300 dedicated people participate and help raise funds and awareness about domestic violence. Race day offers a family-friendly experience with something for everyone. Highlights include a 5k run/walk, awards for overall male and female runners and top 3 in each age category, prizes for top fundraiser and team, and water and post-race food and dance part for all participants.	Montrose Harbor, Chicago, IL	www.apnaghar.org/stride-against-violence (773) 883-4663	Apna Ghar, Inc. (Our Home)
October 15, 2017	4:30- 7:00 pm	Will County Take Back the Night: an evening acknowledging the impact of domestic violence on the Will County Community. Take Back the Night offers an opportunity for survivors of abuse to join with others of all races, cultures, backgrounds and experiences to combine the strength of their voices to declare an end to violence. Each year, the event includes a speaker, a candlelight vigil to memorialize victims, a brief march, and information tables from organizations involved in helping violence survivors.	St. John Lutheran Church 2650 Plainfield Road Joliet, IL 60435	willtbtn.com or 815-729-0930 ex 1429	Guardian Angel Community Services
October 16- 24, 2017	Tuesday 6:00 – 9:00 pm Saturday 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	40-hour Domestic Violence Training Cost: \$200 call for details	Crisis Center for South Suburbia 7700 Timber Drive Tinley Park, IL 60477	708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 17, 2017	4:30 – 5:30 pm	Purple Walk. The walk is organized by the Legal Advocates at the Centralized Domestic Violence Court. Join advocates and other supporters as we walk from the courthouse to the famous Chicago “Bean” in support of survivors of domestic violence, chanting and wearing purple.	Begins at the Centralized Domestic Violence Court, 555 W. Harrison St., Chicago, IL	Hima Sarma, 312/325-9309 or <a href="mailto:h.sarma@familyrescueinc.org">h.sarma@familyrescueinc.org</a>	Family Rescue
October 17, 2017	6:30- 8:30 pm	Music Trivia Night	American Legion Hall	(217) 222-0069	QUANADA
October 17, 2017	3:45 pm	Join our court advocates for the annual #PurpleWalk to Millennium Park. Don't forget to wear purple!	Walk begins at the 555 W Harrison St. Courthouse and ends at the Bean at Millennium Park		Between Friends

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October 17, 2017	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	ADV & SAS will be teaming up with the Illinois Valley Community College Human Services Organization to bring awareness to Domestic Violence. We will be using resources from the No More campaign to allow college students to write their 'why' for the end of domestic violence. Ultimately, we will use these messages to make a collage calling for the end of violence. We will also be making statistics become visible with artistic illustrations for students to view.	Illinois Valley Community College	Cortnie Riordan 815-673-1552 x220	ADV & SAS
October 17, 2017	12:30- 1:30 pm	Rock Island County Lunch and Learn "Domestic Abuse: Why don't they leave?" Presented by Karin M, Illinois Court Advocate. Lunch will be provided.	Rock Island Police Department Community Room	lianneg@famres.org	SafePath Survivor Resources
October 18, 2017	8:00 am – 8:00 pm	Clothesline Project: This event includes the viewing of a silent witness display which shares the stories of victims of domestic violence who were killed at the hands of their abusive partners. Also view how domestic violence victims and their children share their experiences and desire to end abuse using t-shirts as a medium.	Elgin Community College F Building Lounge 1700 Spartan Drive Elgin IL 60123	Community Crisis Center 847-697-2380	Community Crisis Center
October 18, 2017	2:00 – 3:00 pm	Bringing Mystical Sufi Music to Modern Audiences: special event that is part of the Mosaics Muslim voices in American program. AAFS will incorporate how domestic violence is a part of every community and does not rest of Culture or religion.	Moraine Valley Community College	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 18, 2017	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	The Clothesline Project bearing witness to domestic and sexual violence. Come honor the survivors and memorialize the victims of domestic and sexual violence and speak out against domestic violence.	JALC Courtyard Lounge Carterville, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women's Center
October 18, 2017	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Silent Witness Project The Silent Witness figures represent victims whose lives were taken by domestic violence. The objective of the exhibit is to heighten awareness & provide information on the issue of domestic violence & its effect. This exhibit is for LLCC students.	Lincoln Land Community College: A. Lincoln Commons 5250 Shepherd Rd. Springfield, IL 62703	Laura Kresse 217-726-5100 ext. 213	Sojourn Shelter & Services, Inc.



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October 19, 2017	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Molina Healthcare and Metropolitan Family Services DV resource fair and awareness event. SSFS will have a speaker and resource table at event.	235 E. 103 <sup>rd</sup> St, Chicago	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	Molina Healthcare and Metropolitan Family Services and South Suburban Family Shelter
October 19, 2017	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Candlelight Vigil - Speakers include States Attorney Brenden Kelly, Belleville Mayor Eckert, Sgt. Fults from St. Clair County Sheriff's Department and two survivors.	2600 W. Main St. Belleville, IL (Lindenwood University)	<a href="http://www.vpcswi.org">www.vpcswi.org</a>	Violence Prevention Center of Southwestern IL
October 19, 2017	4:00 – 5:00 pm	Fall Party for children: Children involved in domestic violence will have a small party with face painting, crafts, and games. There will be different stations of activities the children can be involved in.	Brideview Community Center 7900 S Oketo Ave Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
TENTATIVE October 19, 2017	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Volunteer Open House with DV Awareness Information table	Neat Repeat Resale 7026 W. 111 <sup>th</sup> Street., Worth, IL	Chris Beele, Director of Neat Repeats Resale Stores 708-429-7255	Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 19, 2017	5:00- 6:00 pm	Domestic Violence Awareness Month Open House/Vigil	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service 1330 E. Ash Street Canton, IL 61520	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service Phone: 309-647-7487	Fulton-Mason Crisis Service
October 19, 2017	6:30- 7:30 pm	Glow Yoga – Please join The Women’s Center for an evening of Glow Yoga for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Experience a balanced yoga practice along with a guided relaxation under black lights. This will be an open levels practice. Glow jewelry and body paint will be provided, so you can glow with the flow. This event is free of charge, with a \$10 donation for The Women’s Center Encouraged.	One O One Yoga Studio Carbondale, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women’s Center
October 19, 2017	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Maria Cedeno, Director of Victim Services, will be part of a Panel Discussion On Intimate Partner Violence, McGuire Hall at Saint Xavier University (This event is promoting DV Awareness Month and the Medical Advocacy Program at Little Company of Mary Hospital	Saint Xavier University 3700 W. 103rd St., Chicago, IL 60655	Maria Cedeno, Director of Victim Services 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia

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October 19, 2017	7:00 – 8:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Book Talk: Black and Blue by Anna Quindlen</b></p> <p>Join us during Domestic Violence Awareness Month for a book talk and discussion about domestic violence and how we can help stop the spread of this epidemic in our communities.</p> <p>Our book of choice is “Black and Blue,” by Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Anna Quindlen, a novel about a woman and a marriage that begins with passion and ends with violence. An Oprah Book Club pick in 1998, it is an impactful story full of suspense, substance, and importance that places the reader directly inside the horror, confusion, and hopelessness of main character Fran Benedetto. It asks the question, if it were you, what would you do? Would it be easy to walk away?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To register call (847) 356-7711.</p> <p>In our Lake County communities, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 7 men will experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner at some point in their lifetimes. That is over 117,000 women and 87,000 men in Lake County alone.</p> <p>This book is just the start of an extremely necessary dialogue in our communities. Domestic violence cannot be hidden in the shadows. It must be discussed, highlighted, pointed out, and advocated against.</p> <p>Turn the page and help us raise awareness and stop the spread of domestic violence in our communities.</p>	Lake Villa District Library, 1001 E Grand Ave in Lindenhurst	847-356-7711	A Safe Place
October 20, 2017	All Day	Wear purple Fridays: Children of Universal and Aqsa School will participate in wearing purple for Domestic Violence awareness month.	Aqsa School 7361 W 92 <sup>nd</sup> st Bridgeview, IL 60455 and Universal School 7350 W. 93 <sup>rd</sup> St. Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 21, 2017	5:00am - 3:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lincoln Inn Fundraiser</b></p> <p>Join us for food, fun and good will. A percentage of food sales will be donated to our organization. Safe Passage board members and staff will be present to discuss domestic violence prevention with guests.</p>	240 Lincoln Hwy, DeKalb, IL 60115	kbaker@safepassagedv.org	Safe Passage

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October 21, 2017	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Ingalls Breast Cancer Awareness Forum for the African American Woman, SSFS will have staffed resource table.	Odyssey CC, Tinley Park, IL.	Registration is at: 708-915-6498.	South Suburban Family Shelter
October 21, 2017	Business Hours	Cell Phone Drive	McLean County	Senna Adjabeng 309-834-9249	Mid Central Community Action-Neville House
October 21, 2017	9:00 – 11:00 am	DV101 Training and Silent Witness Initiative Exhibit.	Neat Repeat Resale 9028 W. 159 <sup>th</sup> Street Orland Park, IL	Chris Beele, Director of Neat Repeats Resale Stores 708-429-7255	Crisis Center for South Suburbia
October 21, 2017	10:30 am	DV awareness event with SSFS speaker.	Empowerment Word and Truth Church, 1133 E. 82 <sup>nd</sup> St., Chicago	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	South Suburban Family Shelter

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October 21, 2017	6:30 – 11:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Break the Silence - Unmask the Violence Gala</b></p> <p>Prepare for breathtaking displays of grace and strength by aerial performers 22 feet above your head at the 8th annual A Safe Place Unmask the Violence Gala on Saturday, October 21.</p> <p>Held at the brand-new transformative venue, Loft 21, in Lincolnshire, the Gala will be an incredible experience that includes food tasting stations, cigar rolling demonstrations, whiskey tasting, and live music in addition to a spectacular live and silent auction, dancing, and moving presentations by domestic violence survivors.</p> <p>“For this year’s Gala, we wanted to break the traditional sit-down dinner mold and present a new and exciting experience,” said Pat Davenport, A Safe Place Executive Director. “We hope that guests will come to enjoy a fun and memorable evening and leave feeling more connected to our mission and how they can help eliminate domestic violence in our communities.”</p> <p>The Break the Silence - Unmask the Violence Gala is the largest and most important fundraiser of the year for A Safe Place, Lake County’s sole provider of services exclusively addressing domestic violence. All proceeds support the organization’s lifesaving programs and services for victims of domestic violence and their children, including crisis support, housing, legal advocacy, counseling, community outreach, and education to prevent future abuse.</p> <p>After guests are greeted by a costumed dancer, the evening begins with cocktails and passed hors d’oeuvres at 6:30pm alongside one-of-a-kind silent auction items. At 7:30pm, guests will be treated to chef action stations with made-to-order fajitas, pasta, mashed potato “martinis”, and chicken sliders by CORK Catering &amp; Special Events.</p> <p>Hosted by Marc Silverman, co-host of Waddle and Silvy on ESPN AM 1000, the Gala features a dazzling aerial display of athleticism and dance performed by C5 Creative Space, whiskey tasting by KOVAL Distillery, cigar rolling demonstrations by A Cuban Experience, and live music by Megan Lick.</p>	Loft 21, 1501 N. Milwaukee Ave. in Lincolnshire, IL	<a href="http://www.gala2017.whindoo.com">www.gala2017.whindoo.com</a>	A Safe Place

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October 21-22	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	A two-day writing workshop, where survivors will read and discuss testimonial writing, reflect on how to share their own stories, and engage in a series of innovative writing exercises.	1215 Church St. Evanston IL	<a href="mailto:janet@voicesandfaces.org">janet@voicesandfaces.org</a>	Voices and Faces and Between Friends
October 23, 2017	2:00 – 4:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">How Divorce Mediation Can Be a Good Option for Domestic Abuse Survivors*</p> <p>Advocates have long opposed mediation for divorces involving domestic abuse, fearing it will be unfair and potentially dangerous to the survivor. More recently, changes in mediation styles, as well as the time and expense of long protracted litigation, have led some attorneys, mediators, and advocates to rethink the standard mantra of, “never mediate domestic abuse cases.”</p> <p>Join us for an insightful program with top attorneys and mediators to explore the issue further and learn when, how, and if mediation can be a positive solution for divorces involving domestic abuse.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*This is not the opinion of ICADV.</p>	200 N. LaSalle St., 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor conference room, Chicago	<a href="mailto:vrivkin@shalvaonline.org">vrivkin@shalvaonline.org</a> or call (773) 583-HOPE	Shalva
October 23-24, 2017	7:00 – 8:30 pm	Jamie Olah is the survivor who created a play called Eden in Silence which offers an intimate view of the aftermath of domestic violence. Eden in Silence challenges the stigma of domestic abuse and champions the transformative power of human connection.	3111 N Western Ave Chicago, IL Constellation		Between Friends
October 23-24, 2017	8:30 – 9:30 pm	Join us afterwards for a panel discussion with four DV agencies-including Between Friends.	3111 N Western Ave Chicago, IL Constellation		Between Friends
October 24, 2017	7:00- 8:30 pm	Don't Look Away!: Presentation at North Riverside of numerous speakers, speaking about domestic violence. There will also be speakers who were domestic violence victims. AAFS will contribute and have a table set up with explanation of what we do for the Arab and Muslim community	Village of North Riverside 2401 Desplaines Ave North Riverside, IL 60546	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 24, 2017	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	The Clothesline Project bearing witness to domestic and sexual violence. Come honor the survivors and memorialize the victims of domestic and sexual violence and speak out against domestic violence.	The Women's Center 111 Anker Dr. Marion, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women's Center

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October 25, 2017	5:30 – 7:30 pm	The Central Illinois Women's Bar Association is having its annual fundraiser for Sojourn Shelter & Services at Arlington's in Springfield on October 25 from 5:30 to 7:30. Donations of \$25, with all proceeds going to Sojourn, will get attendees appetizers, live music, and access to a cash bar. CIWBA is providing music by Russel Brazzel, classical guitarist. Mr. Brazzel is Music Director of the Springfield Classical Guitar Society and adjunct faculty in classical guitar at Illinois College.	Arlington's 210 Broadway, Springfield, IL 62701	Erika Carlove 217-726-5100 ext. 210	Sojourn Shelter & Services, Inc.
October 25, 2017	6:00 pm	Domestic violence presentation by SSFS staff member, hosted by Lambda Pi Eta.	Governors State University	Vicki Meilach 708-794-2140, ext.303 or <a href="mailto:vmeilach@ssfs1.org">vmeilach@ssfs1.org</a>	Lambda Pi Eta and South Suburban Family Shelter
October 26, 2017	TBD	The Letters Project Between Friends, Apna Ghar and other agencies, will showcase a letter writing project in collaboration with clients and survivors to help them share their stories and build awareness. This one day conference entitled, Art and Violence Conference, will include presentations, workshops and art exhibits	Northeastern Illinois University		Between Friends, Apna Ghar, and other agencies
October 26, 2017	4:00- 5:00 pm	Library Awareness: Children involved in Domestic violence will pass out mini cookies donated by Susu's desert shop to individuals at the library to raise awareness. There will also be flyers for domestic violence awareness for those who are not knowledgeable in finding resources to seek help.	Bridgeview Library 7840 W. 79 <sup>th</sup> St Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 26, 2017	6:30 – 8:00 pm	Domestic Violence Vigil We will honor those who have survived domestic violence and those who have not survived domestic violence.	Morton Park Charleston, IL 61920	HOPE of East Central Illinois (217) 348-5931	HOPE of East Central Illinois
October 26, 2017	7:00 pm	Domestic Violence Rally and Candlelight Vigil: Community Crisis Center staff will share information about domestic violence and what the community can do to help survivors. Myths and dynamics of domestic violence will be discussed. A survivor of domestic violence will share her journey from victim to survivor. A candlelight vigil will conclude the event, honoring those who paid the ultimate price.	Elgin Community College Seigle Auditorium - Building E 1700 Spartan Drive Elgin IL 60123	Community Crisis Center 847-697-2380	Community Crisis Center
October 26, 2017	6:30- 8:30 pm	Take Back the Night March and Rally	Western Illinois University, Sherman Hall Circle Drive	(309) 837-6622	Western Illinois Regional Council-Community Action Agency Victim Services
October 26, 2017	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Annual Dinner- to honor those individuals who have worked hard to make a difference in the area of domestic violence.	Crystal Lake County Club	815-338-8081 <a href="http://www.turnpt.org">www.turnpt.org</a>	Turning Point, Inc.



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October 26, 2017	7:00-8:30 pm	Dove's Moultrie County Candle Light Service First United Methodist Church	216 W. Jackson, Sullivan, IL 61951	217-728-9303	Dove, Inc.
October 27, 2017	8:00 pm – 12:00 am	On October 27, 2017, Neopolitan Lighthouse will be hosting its Annual Bowling Fundraiser in order to recognize Domestic Violence Month, and raise much needed funds for the agency's domestic violence shelter and support services. Tickets for this event are \$25.00 each, which includes the cost of shoe rental and three (3) full games. A costume contest will be held, and prizes will be given for 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 3 <sup>rd</sup> place winners.	Eden Lanes, 10159 W. Cermak Road, Westchester, IL. 60154	For more information, please call 773.638.0228.	Neopolitan Lighthouse
October 27, 2017	7:00 – 9:00 pm	We are ending Domestic Violence Awareness Month with our second annual Survivor Speak Out. During the event, our Silent Witness Exhibit will be debuted with each silent witness representing a real life victim who was killed due to domestic violence. Our aim is to give a voice to our silent witnesses as well as our survivors. During the presentation, Constance Morris House staff will discuss our services, survivors will share their stories, and regular donors will be recognized. This event is open to the community, and at the end there will be a designated time where any community/audience members are encouraged to come up and share their stories, poetry, artwork, songs, etc. We welcome anyone and everyone to attend and show their support for domestic violence survivors.	St. Cletus Catholic Church: 600 W. 55th St., LaGrange, IL 60525	Lana Blitstein: 708.995.3678 / lblitstein@pillarscommunity.org	Pillars – Constance Morris House
October 27, 2017	All Day	Wear purple Fridays: Children of Universal and Aqsa School will participate in wearing purple for Domestic Violence awareness month.	Aqsa School 7361 W 92 <sup>nd</sup> st Bridgeview, IL 60455 and Universal School 7350 W. 93 <sup>rd</sup> St. Bridgeview, IL 60455	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 27, 2017	5:00 – 7:00 pm	Join The Women's Center for Take Back the Night for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Bring a sign and a friend to domestic and sexual violence in our community. Our march will begin at the Gaia House Interfaith Center at 5pm, follow route 51 North, and end at the Town Square Pavilion, where we will be greeted by local musicians and guest speakers.	Gaia House Interfaith Building Carbondale, IL	Jasmin Creek (618) 549-4807 Ext. 232	The Women's Center
October 28, 2017	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Stand Tall with Sarah's Inn Cocktails and Hors D'oeuvres, entertainment by Classical Blast, live and silent auctions.	Oak Park County Club 2001 N. Thatcher, River Grove, IL	<a href="mailto:info@sarahsinn.org">info@sarahsinn.org</a>	Sarah's Inn

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October 28, 2017	8:00-11:00 am	9th Annual Angels Against Abuse 5K Walk/Run Fundraiser Pet Friendly event!	Towne Center Park 1 Towne Center Blvd Shorewood, IL 60404	<a href="http://gacsprograms.org/dvamm">gacsprograms.org/dvamm</a>	Guardian Angel Community Services
October 28, 2017	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Domestic Violence Raising Awareness Walk: Community members will be walking to raise awareness for domestic violence victims. Adult fees: \$20.00 Kids: \$10.00. T-shirts will be given to those who are involved.	Lake Catherine 7402 Lake Katherine Dr. Palos Heights, IL 60463	708-599-2237	Arab American Family Services
October 29, 2017	1:00 pm	Sycamore Pumpkin Fest Parade  Safe Passage will have a presence in the parade. We will be passing out DV prevention information as well as information for our organization.	Sycamore, IL	<a href="mailto:kbaker@safepassagedv.org">kbaker@safepassagedv.org</a>	Safe Passage
October 29, 2017	11:00 am-1:00 pm	The rally will begin in the Humboldt Park community, in front of Roberto Clemente High School (1147 N. Western Ave.) at the corner of Western Ave. and Division St. We will walk west on Division Street to California Ave and then walk north on California Ave to the 14th District Police Station (2150 N. California Ave).  Please dress in purple to commemorate all the victims who have lost their lives due to domestic violence, and to honor those who have survived domestic violence. Bring your drums, instruments, pots, pans, and your voice to make noise for those who have none. Send empowering messages and bring awareness to end domestic violence.	Chicago, IL	<a href="http://cawc.org">cawc.org</a>	Connections for Abused Women and their Children (CAWC)
October 29, 2017	9:30 – 11:00 am	To raise awareness for domestic violence and Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, Family Shelter Service engages the entire community in a family-friendly and healthy activity -- a 10K run for the endurance athletes, a 5K run, or just a casual 5K walk with the family dog. Not only does this event raise awareness around this community issue, but it also raises funds to help our neighbors, family members, co-workers or friends escape the violence and embark on a brave new journey to self-empowerment.	Midwestern University, Downers Grove, IL	<a href="https://raceroster.com/events/2017/13864/free-to-fly">https://raceroster.com/events/2017/13864/free-to-fly</a>	Family Shelter Service
October 30, 2017	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Maria Cedeno, Director of Victim Services will be training the Nursing Students at St. Xavier University to promote DV Awareness Month and DV 101 in a medical setting.	St. Xavier University 3700 W. 103rd St., Chicago, IL 60655	Maria Cedeno, Director of Victim Services 708-429-7255	The Crisis Center for South Suburbia

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November 4, 2017	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	The First Baptist Church of Bellwood will be hosting a special breakfast to recognize Domestic Violence Month. A representative from Neopolitan Lighthouse will also be in attendance in order to speak about domestic violence, and provide awareness and education.	First Baptist Church of Bellwood, 217 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Bellwood, IL. 60104	For more information, please contact First Baptist Church of Bellwood at 708.544.0225	Neopolitan Lighthouse and First Baptist Church of Bellwood

