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#### **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

#### Friends and Supporters of DVS,

This year, Santa Barbara County has faced many terrible tragedies. There have been four domestic violence homicides in our county alone, with thousands of others suffering injuries and living in persistent fear due to intimate partner violence. This silent epidemic has now reached the level of a crisis. October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and it is our mission to honor victims, support survivors and educate the community about the cycle of domestic violence.

In celebration of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, you can help us break the cycle by breaking the silence. Here are just a few ways you can show your support:

#### 1. Attend A Candlelight Vigil

We are hosting candlelight vigils to honor those who have lost their lives to domestic violence and to empower survivors with hope, support, education, resources, and most importantly, a safe place to stay.





**Donate Today** 

Our Santa Barbara Vigil is this Thursday, October 19, and Santa Maria Vigil is next Thursday, October 26. We invite you to join us in raising a candle to honor those affected by domestic violence.

#### 2. Engage With Us

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>, and read, like and share our daily educational and informative posts about #DomesticViolenceAwareness.

#### 3. Support Our DVERT Program

Our Emergency Response Team assists law enforcement and hospital personnel with victims in urgent need of safety. The DVERT program is a vital part of our services. We need your help now.

Please consider donating today.

Your partnership is instrumental in allowing us to provide safety, shelter and support to domestic violence victims and their families. We can't thank you enough for being an important part of DVS and our cause.

We wish you a safe and happy October and Halloween!

With deepest gratitude,

Charles Anderson

Charles Anderson Executive Director

#### **Events**



Candlelight Vigils

#### Santa Barbara

Thursday, October 19 4 - 7pm Paseo Nuevo Mall

Please join us for our Candlelight Vigil and Community Resource Fair. Resource Fair begins at 4pm, Vigil at 6pm and Memorial Walk at 6:30pm.

#### Facebook event

#### **Santa Maria**

Thursday, October 26 6 - 7:30pm Santa Maria High Ethel Pope Auditorium

Come together with the community. Memorial Walk begins at City Hall at 6pm, and Vigil begins at 6:30pm.

#### Facebook event

#### **40 Hour Training Dates**

#### Santa Barbara

Community Partner Center, Union Bank 15 E Carrillo Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 December 7, 8, 12, 14, & 15

Trainings are \$225 per person, and run from 8:15am until 5:00pm. For more info or to register please contact Eloisa Patterson at <a href="mailto:EloisaP@dvsolutions.org">EloisaP@dvsolutions.org</a> or visit our <a href="mailto:website">website</a>.

#### **Annual Luncheon**

Save the date for February 25, 2018!

### **Community Partner Appreciation!**

# Andrew Wilson and Annalisa Rada-McGee

of <u>UBS</u> - We would like to give our heartfelt thanks for your sponsorship of our stakeholders' event! Your generosity is so appreciated!



Cathy Calabro of Mary Kay - Thank you so much for hosting a makeover event on October 17. We are thrilled to be one of the beneficiaries! You are incredible.

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<u>United Way</u> - They have continued to support our organization throughout the years. We cannot express how grateful we are!





<u>Macy's</u> - Macy's continues to be a longtime supporter of DVS. We are forever thankful!



Please consider helping local victims of Domestic Violence:

Donate Now!

Domestic Violence Solutions | (805) 963-4458 Safety. Shelter. Support.

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