

Domestic Violence Prevention & Awareness

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The goal of the GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention is to increase awareness of and help prevent the widespread occurrence of domestic abuse in communities across the nation by supporting existing activities, working with various established programs, and initiating educational opportunities for club members and local citizens. GFWC is a powerful voice for those who have no voice.

Congratulations to all of you on your hard work in 2016!!! Florida won 1st Place for Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention at the GFWC International Convention. This award belongs to each and every one of you!

Please join us at Fall Board for our workshop. October is Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Month. We are taking Ft Walton Beach's Purple Ribbon project and expanding it to the whole state. The plan is to have all of our clubs put purple ribbons on Palm Trees throughout the state with our "Tie a Purple Ribbon on an Old Palm Tree" Project. We will be selling ribbons at our workshop to benefit the Success for Survivors Scholarship. You can buy our ribbons or have a ribbon tying party with your club.

GFWC has issued an Action Guide to help us achieve our goals for Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention.

http://www.gfwc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Signature_Domestic_2.pdf

This toolkit was designed to help you gain a basic understanding of GFWC's Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention. In addition to learning about the various forms of Domestic Violence, you will also learn about how you can take action both nationally and within your community.

GFWC MEMBERS WILL SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE:

- To develop and influence federal and state legislation that positively affects the lives of domestic violence victims and their families.
- To protect the safety, security, and dignity of older citizens.
- To promote fundraisers which provide a positive and constructive solution to victims of abuse through the GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship.
- To promote projects that support and cultivate work with national and local domestic violence and abuse organizations.
- To support GFWC Signature Program: Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention Program partners.

There are 4 videos available to help spread the message:

- 1) Ted Talk: Why Domestic Violence Victims Don't Leave
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1yW5lsnSjo>
- 2) A Portrait of Domestic Violence <http://time.com/68989/video-a-portrait-of-domestic-violence>
- 3) Telling Amy's Story-Awareness Discussion
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KvQMM1mfQbl>
- 4) An Age for Justice: Confronting Elder Abuse in America
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-eaJXBj87to>

GFWC has also provided a guide for Awareness using Social Media:

<http://www.gfwc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Domestic-Violence-Social-Media-Posts.pdf>

All of these are fantastic tools and are there just waiting for you to use them.

Please help us Spread the Word and make the world safer for those who have been abused.