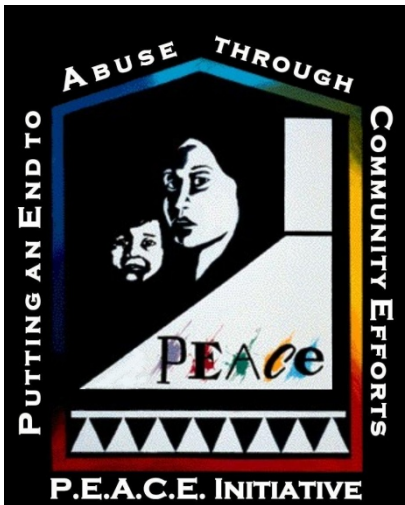


*"END FAMILY VIOLENCE:  
A CALL TO ACTION"*



OCTOBER 2009  
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS  
FOR  
NATIONAL DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE AWARENESS  
MONTH

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You must be the change you  
wish to see in the world.

—Gandhi

**Silent Witnesses**—Silent Witnesses will be on display throughout the Our Lady of the Lake University campus during the month. Silent Witnesses are life-sized silhouettes that represent victims who were killed as a result of domestic violence.

**Texas Council on Family Violence (TCFV) Annual Conference** — Call for information at 1-800-525-1978 or please visit [www.tcfv.org](http://www.tcfv.org) for more information.

**YWCA Week Without Violence**- October 19th through October 25<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**YWCA National Night Out** - October 6<sup>th</sup> 2009  
Time: 6:00 P.M. at 503 Castroville Rd.

**Events to Look Forward to:**

Details, Times, Locations and Dates T. B. A.

**A Men's Call to Action:** Launching the White Ribbon Campaign. The largest effort in the world of men working to end violence against women (VAW).

**Report: A Call To Action** - We will document actions taken to educate the community on family violence during this month. Focusing on the events and activities and actions taken, turnout and outcome as a whole.

**Child Protective Services- Foster Children Art Exhibit**

This art exhibit of art created by foster children will allow for the viewer to write their comments next to each art piece providing each child the opportunity to read and experience how people are affected by their creativity.

**Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) community** - We are working with a committee of members from this community to design this event given the fact that intimate partner violence knows no boundaries.

**P.E.A.C.E. in the Plaza** We are working with Brian Hamilton from Local 782 Musicians Union to organize a fundraiser to benefit the P.E.A.C.E. Initiative. Organizing this event has just begun.

**Lives on a Runway: Fashioning Nuevas Vidas** This service learning project done in collaboration with OLLU students reveals how common family violence is when all of the models are celebrities in their own right and survivors as well. We will unveil who they are so they may inspire other survivors to be relieved of the shame often attached with having come out of a relationship impacted by a violent, abusive intimate partner.

**Immigrant Rights - Mexican Consulate Event** a panel of immigration lawyers educate community about their rights as immigrants. This event will be done in monolingual Spanish.

**Bexar County Family Justice Center Calendar of Events:**

October 2009-The Family Justice Center, the Mexican-American Unity Council, Family Service Association and the District Attorney's Office will sponsor FREE art classes for victims of domestic violence and their children.

This event celebrates "The Victims Empowerment Counseling Program" to begin at the Family Justice Center October 1. This program was written by Family Service Association for the Family Justice Center to exclusively address issues faced by victims of domestic violence. Studies show that art is therapeutic. A series of classes lead by local artists and a counselor will be opened for 40 victims (dates TBA) to work through issues in a group format.

A special thanks to Target for sponsoring  
Domestic Violence Awareness Events.



October 2009  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Friday, September 25, 2009

**Crime Victim's Compensation Training**

Place: AACOG - 8700 Tesoro Dr # 100  
San Antonio, TX, (210) 362- 5200

Time: 8 AM - 4 P.M.

Contact: Jane Shafer

Phone: (210) 207- 2136, Free and open to the public

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Thursday, October 1, 2009

**Service of Remembrance**

A nondenominational service will be held to honor those who have died due to domestic violence.

Place: Madison Square Presbyterian Church, 319 Camden,  
San Antonio, TX 78215

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: (210) 533- 2729, Free and open to the public

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Friday, October 2, 2009

**"The Beauty of Technology, the Horror of its Abuse"**

Technology as the newest frontier for committing intimate partner violence and abuse will be explored.

Place: SACADA, 7500 HWY 90W AT&T Bldg. 1, ste.100

Time: 1- 4:00 pm

Contact: Beatrice Gutierrez

Phone: 225- 4741, \$30.00 for 3 CEU's & open to the public

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Saturday, October 3, 2009

**Kid's P.E.A.C.E. Day**

This event offers playtime for children to engage in nonviolent, peacemaking, activities. Entertainment and resource information will also be available.

Place: YWCA - 503 Castroville Rd.

Time: 11am—2pm

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: (210) 533- 2729, Free and open to the public

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Tues., Oct. 6, 2009 Family Justice Center Fundraiser

Place: EZ's Brick Oven & Grill, 115 N. Loop 1604 E.

Time: 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

Bexar County Family Justice Center partners with EZ's Brick Oven & Grill. Stop by for lunch or dinner and drop your receipt in the designated box at check-out. 20% of gross sales for all meals (eat-in or carry-out) will be designated funds for the Family Justice Center. Your purchase will help us help victims of domestic violence!

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Tuesday, October 6, 2009 12 noon

**Monthly Meeting—Legislative Update**

We will focus on family violence issues of the 81st Texas Legislative Session. TCFV Public Policy Analyst, Tracy Grinstead-Everly, JD will conduct this session. Estela's offers a moderately priced menu.

Place: Estela's Mexican Restaurant 2200 W. Martin

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Time: 12:00—1:30 p.m.

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: (210) 533- 2729

Free and open to the public; pay your own lunch

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Friday, October 9, 2009- Family Justice Center event  
**Economic Summit**

Place: UHS Foundation Room, 527 North Leona, Building B, Third Floor

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Many victims of domestic violence return to their violent situation because they do not have the financial management skills needed for independent survival, free from their perpetrator. This free training is designed for organizations in the community who work with victims of domestic violence and inform victims on methods of financial stability. Capital One is sponsoring a free lunch.

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Oct., 12-16<sup>th</sup> Unite Here / Hope for House Keepers Quilt

Women Workers are often exposed to abuse and violence at home and in the workplace. We will conduct a workshop with the Unite Here working women regarding domestic violence and how the abuse of power and control can also be played out in the working environment. A Quilt that has been created by Hyatt Hotel housekeepers across the nation will be on exhibit in San Antonio during this week. While it's here women from Fuerza Unida will attach new squares depicting the plight of women workers here.

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Sat., Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, Family Assistance Crisis Teams

**F.A.C.T. Training** is for citizen volunteers willing to assist victims of family violence at police substations, on Crisis Calls and in follow-up case management.

Place: SAPD 214 West Nueva

Time: 9am to 4pm

Contact: Ivie Tovar to register, if over 21 years of age

Phone: 207- 2305, Free and open to the public

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Wed. Oct 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 Survivors Voices - Face to face dialogues between city and agency leaders and survivors of domestic violence. All are invited to attend this event and help us continue designing for San Antonio, a relevant response to family violence. Survivors and their families' life experiences are what matter at this event!

Place: The Neighborhood Place

Time: 5:30- 7pm

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: 533- 2729, Free and open to the public

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Wed., October 22, 2009 Phoenix Award Ceremony

The Phoenix Awards recognize those who have endeavored to change the consuming effects of domestic violence in the lives of its survivors.

Place: Mex. American Catholic College, 3115 W Ashby Pl.

Time: 6—7:30 p.m., Lite dinner by Fuerza Unida

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: (210) 533- 2729 Free and open to the public

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October 28, 2009 Strangulation in Family Violence

Dr. Dean Hawley, an expert on strangulation, will present a workshop for advocates, the City of SA and SAPD.

Place: The Neighborhood Place, 3014 Rivas St. 78228

Time: 8 A.M. - 12P.M.

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: (210) 533- 2729, Free and open to the Public

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Friday, October 30, 2009- Family Justice Center 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Annual Monster Mash Golf Bash**

Participation will raise funds for the Bexar County Family Justice Center Foundation.

Place: La Cantera Palmer Course.

Contact: Registration information, please call Christy Prescott at (210) 344- 6444 or go online at:

[www.ctptravelservices.com/monster\\_mash\\_golf\\_bash/MONSTERMASH\\_GOLFBASH.htm](http://www.ctptravelservices.com/monster_mash_golf_bash/MONSTERMASH_GOLFBASH.htm)

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October 31 - November 4, 2009- 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Multi-Disciplinary National Conference on Domestic Violence in San Antonio sponsored by the National College of District Attorney's.

Please join the National College of District Attorneys Halloween week for substantive sessions, dynamic brainstorming opportunities, informative panel discussions, and creative demonstrations; all designed to address cutting edge issues in the investigation, prosecution, responsible research, provision of services, development of informed sentencing options and competent post sentencing measures in domestic violence cases.

Conference and registration information can be found at: <http://www.ncdsv.org/images/NDAANatlConfonDV2009.pdf>

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**Dia De Los Muertos / Day of the Dead Event**

Market Square altar/ofrenda installation created by P.E.A.C.E. Initiative members honoring the life of a family violence murder victim will be set up mid October and will remain on exhibit till November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009.

San Anto Cultural Arts and the P.E.A.C.E. Initiative will host its annual event honoring the life of a family violence murder victim and their former director Manny Castillo with a procession, puppet show, and altar / ofrenda creation.

Place: Peace and Remembrance Mural on San Patricio and Trinity St.

Time: 6:30 pm to gather

Contact: Patricia Castillo

Phone: 533- 2729 and open to the Public

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**Shop till it Stops!** Domestic Violence that is....

Buy shoes at any Marshall's store between Oct.1-15, 2009 to benefit the DV Hotline. \$1 will be donated to the Hotline for each pair of shoes sold during this period (up to \$150,000). For 18 years, Marshalls raised millions of dollars and generated tremendous awareness in an effort to help put an end to domestic violence.