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DVTF Newsletter

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**FREE CLASSES TO ASSIST YOU IN
MOVING TOWARD
SELF-SUFFICIENCY
AND ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE!**

**NEXT CLASSES BEGIN
January 27, 2003**

For information and to register:
Please call Julie (360) 475.7557



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Board Openings

The Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task force in looking to fill a few vacant spots on the board. If you or someone you know would be interested in applying for this position please log on to www.kcdvtf.org and click on "Who are We?", then click on "Paid Positions & Volunteer Opportunities" or call 360-373-5392 to request an application.

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KITSAP COUNTY
Domestic Violence
TASK FORCE

Mission

To create a community free from domestic violence.

Goals

To promote victim safety and perpetrator accountability the KCDVTF will:

- Educate the community about domestic violence;
- Establish and maintain a Coordinated Community Response;
- Encourage and support agencies that work with domestic violence;
- Maintain information regarding Kitsap County domestic violence resources;
- Advocate for legislative progress in issues as they relate to domestic violence;
- Develop funding resources to maintain the KCDVTF and to support the efforts of our community;
- Collect and maintain data on domestic violence in the community.

How to reach us:

- Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force
 Post Office Box 48
 Bremerton, WA 98337
- Phone: 360.373.5392
- Email: kcdvtf@silverlink.net

Upcoming KCDVTF Meetings

~ all meetings are open to the public ~

KCDVTF Board Meeting

- Fourth Tuesday of the month at noon
- Bremerton/ K.C. Health District

KCDVTF Quarterly Meeting

- ? January 28th 6:30 p.m.
- ? Silverdale Lutheran Church

Domestic Violence Network

Brown bag lunch group supports and educates agencies and individuals who work with DV.

- 4th Wednesday of the month
- YWCA office - 905 Pacific Avenue, Bremerton
- 11:30 a.m. -12 p.m. brown bag lunch/networking
- 12 - 1 p.m. Topic presentation: check our website www.kcdvtf.org for monthly topic

Faith Community Action Group

Serving as a resource for information and training to the local faith community on DV issues.

- 2nd Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m.
- YWCA office - 905 Pacific Avenue, Bremerton

RESPECT (Relationship Education Strengthens & Provides Empowering Choices for Today's) Kitsap Youth

Addressing multi-disciplinary issues around youth.

- 3rd Friday of the month, 9 - 11 a.m.
- Silverdale Community Center, Coho Room

For more information contact: Candy Cardinal 360.337.5235 x6338 or Jennifer Forbes 360.337.5505

Program Committee

Plans the monthly Network meetings, Quarterly Forums, and annual community Summit, as well as the production of the Task Force Newsletter, Resource Guide for Victims, and our Website. Meets regularly on the 3rd Wednesday at Noon at the YWCA Community Center, 905 Pacific Avenue, Bremerton.

Community Education Committee -offering speaker and trainers to the community on D.V. issues. Contact the Task Force for more information.

Summit 2003

Is in development! More information will be available on the website soon. The theme for our 7th annual Summit will be centered around youth violence.

"THANKS" to everyone who made our 6th Annual Summit a success!

Mary Hughes
 Linda Joyce
 Tammy Walthall
 Sandy Robbins
 S & S Security Services
 Kitsap County Health District
 YWCA
 Smiley's Subs, Bremerton
 United States Navy
 Pete & Susie Hawk
 Silent Praise Dancers
 Safeway - Silverdale
 Pepsi
 Central Market, Poulsbo
 Soroptomist, SK
 Port Orchard Rotary
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 Crossroads Neighborhood
 Church
 Donobi

Digital2
 Olympic College Women's
 Programs
 The Amigas Unidas
 Russ Hauge
 Dr. Scott Lindquist
 Junelle Schrum
 Johanna Hansen-Keller
 Margaret Hobart
 Kitsap County
 Judge James Riehl
 Judge Marilyn Paja
 Judge Dan Phillips
 Judge Steve Holman
 Probation Administrator
 Dayle Crane
 Court Director Maury Baker
 Mysticool.com/ H2 Designs
 Allyndayle.com
 Ed Fuentes

What can men do to help stop domestic violence?

Suggestions from the Family Violence Prevention Fund

Men can play a crucial role in helping to stop domestic violence. Men are already an integral part of the community that supports and interacts with families dealing with violence. They are the majority of the judges, police officers, and doctors who work with families in crisis. Some men are the neighbors, friends, and family members who support victims by reaching out and lending a hand.

And yet, it is sometimes hard for men to join in the fight against family violence. They may believe it is a women's issue, and that they are not supposed to get involved. But family violence is everyone's concern, and there are many opportunities for involving men in making communities safer.

Men are critical to violence prevention efforts because men are more likely to listen to other men when it comes to the perpetration of domestic violence, and because fathers have enormous influence over the development of their children.

Here are just a few ways men can make a difference:

- Be role models to other men. Young men are uniquely positioned to reach out to other young men who are violent at home, to let them know, "You need help, and I want to help you. Your behavior is not acceptable."
- Take a vocal stand against domestic violence. Men speaking out can have a powerful effect in helping change social norms that support and perpetuate abuse.
- Reach out to a family where domestic violence is present. Just offering to listen and acknowledging what is going on helps chip away at the walls that surround and isolate families living with abuse.
- Act as a role model to a child who lacks a positive male figure in his life. A male mentor and friend can provide consistent support, and even help the child make a safety plan.
- Take a leadership role in civic organizations, such as sports clubs, churches, and neighborhood associations, and speak out against violence in the home.

El Centro de la Familia/The Family Center - Familia Servicios y asistencia en Espanol. Family services and assistance in Spanish

Lunes/Monday 11:00-2:00 - 1007 5th St. Bremerton.

Llame/Call: Jackie 360-337-5235 or

Johanna 360-337-5246 ext. 6220

Victim Support Services

**YWCA Alive Program
Women's Support Group**

CE Violence in relationships

CE Self-esteem issues

CE Assertiveness training

CE Resource identification

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Bremerton

Tuesdays, 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Poulsbo

Wednesdays, 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Port Orchard

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 8 p.m.
Bremerton

Thursdays, 6:30 – 8 p.m.
Bremerton

Pre-Screening is required.
Please call 360.479.5118 for pre-screening and for more information.
Support group is at no cost.
Please call for child care, this service is also provided at no cost.

The Kitsap County
Domestic Violence Task
Force wishes you and your
family a safe and wonderful
Holiday Season!

Happy 2003!



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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
VICTIMS**

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**WHAT EVERY
CONGREGATION NEEDS TO
KNOW ABOUT DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE**

PRICE: \$10 for each 50 brochures, \$20 for 100, \$40 for 200 etc. Please order by denominations of 50. FREE 50 and a brochure holder if you've never received them before

Name: _____

Business/Agency/Faith Community: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax number: _____

Email Address: _____

Quantity: _____ Amount enclosed: _____

Free 50 and Holder (I haven't received any RGs or Faith brochures before, free or purchased)

Do not add tax. We will call you to make drop off/pick up arrangements.

Send this form and your check or purchase order to: Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force, P.O. Box 48, Bremerton, WA 98337. We do not take credit cards at this time. Questions? Please call 360.373.5392 or drop us an email at: kcdvtf@silverlink.net