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www.YourKidOnTheWeb.com

Survivors of domestic violence use computers and cell phones to cope with and escape an abusive relationship. They are reaching out to gain access to information, services and support while not understanding that this technology can be used to trace and monitor them by their abusive partner. Part of the assessment process with victims of DV includes a safety talk about, "What technology devices do you use?" and "Is it possible your partner monitors your use of these devices?"

In 2004, *The Technology Safety Program*, was launched by WSCADV. Funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, this program was designed to educate victims about internet communications, cell phones and global positioning systems, and how to keep their personal information safer. An important part of the training includes Internet safety for parents with children. The abuser will often communicate with or search for his victim through the children's social networking sites where they post information such as the town they live in or the school they attend.

Children and teens are one of the fastest growing groups of Internet users. It is extremely important for domestic violence victims to know as much as possible about child Internet crimes so they can prevent victimization of their children. Children coming out of a domestic violence household are often confused and feeling very vulnerable as they reach out for comfort and friendship online. A potential predator uses such information to target the child, spending considerable time befriending and grooming him or her to gain their trust. Internet interactions that initially appear innocent can gradually lead to sexually explicit conduct. The Technology Safety Program helps parents talk to their children on how to be safe in a chat room not disclosing personal information, how to set up an email account without using their real name and to not meet someone they meet on line. More information regarding the Technology Safety Program can be found on the WSCADV website.

Feedback from our 2008 DV Summit reveals the community would like to receive more information on topics relating to children and, in particular, children online and the risks of victimization. The board members of KCDVTF have recently met and decided the topic for the 2009 DV Summit to be held on October 16, will be, "**www.your kid on the web.com.**" Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

More information will be available soon by going to: www.yourkidontheweb.com

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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

- Second Tuesday of the month at 4 PM
- YWCA Bremerton

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.

- 2nd Tuesday of the month, 9- 11 a.m.
- Waterfront Bakery, Old Silverdale, Upstairs

For more information contact: Candy Cardinal 360.337.5235 x6338

Treatment Providers

Addresses issues of coordination and cooperation between the certified treatment providers in Kitsap County and the district, municipal and Dept. of Corrections probation officers.

- 3rd Tuesday
- Jackson Park, Bremerton

For more information, contact the KCDVTF 360-373-5392

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

The Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force Would like to thank:

Susan Dewees & Oudy Acosta Perez for their 6 years of service on the board.

And welcome our newest board members:

- Tom Stokes
- Sue King
- Carol Lynn Etgen
- Joseph J. Dudley
- Kellie Pendras
- Ronnie Mullins
- Kate Sigafoos
- Pam O'Neil-Allen

If you or someone you know would like to apply for a position on the Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force Board, please visit our website at www.kcdvtf.org and click on

“who are we” and then “volunteer opportunities”

. Or you can email us at kcdvtf@silverlink.net or call 360-373-5392

The Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force is a 501c3 non-profit organization. If you would like to make a donation please contact us at 360-373-5392 or by email: kcdvtf@silverlink.net Together we can create a community free of domestic violence.

The Kitsap County Domestic Violence Task Force Board

Invites you to spend the evening

with

Jake Fawcett, Fatality Review Coordinator
Washington Coalition Against Domestic Violence

at

Crossroads Neighborhood Church

on

April 28, 2009 from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

as he presents:

" Learning from Fatalities: Using the Domestic
Violence Fatality Review to Mobilize Change "

KCDVTF, P.O. Box 48, Bremerton, WA 98337

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Save the Date
2009 Picnic July 28
2009 Summit Oct. 16th

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