



CALENDAR

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH 2018

There are over 30 community events hosted throughout the month of October! Take a look at what's happening below and pencil an event (or two) into your calendar. This is a great opportunity to learn more about resources in your area, engage in conversations about safe and healthy relationships, and support survivors and advocates in your community!

OCTOBER

01 PAINT THE TOWN PURPLE

Paint the Town Purple during our 9th annual Domestic Violence Awareness Month kick-off event! DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence (DCCADV) staff, member programs, and volunteers will be at local metro stations across the city sharing resources, information, and purple giveaways to engage the community in preventing domestic violence.

**ALL DAY | METRO STATIONS |
VOLUNTEER: [HTTP://BIT.LY/PTTP2018](http://bit.ly/pttp2018)**

01 NATIONAL CALL OF UNITY

Every year the National Call of Unity kicks off Domestic Violence Awareness Month by offering an opportunity to connect with advocates from across the county. This year's video and audio chat will feature #1Thing stories of perseverance, healing, resilience and strength, as each speaker offers their personal inspiration to do this work. **3 PM | REGISTER: [HTTP://BIT.LY/DVAM1Thing](http://bit.ly/dvam1thing)**

01 CHEF'S TAKE A STAND

Chefs Take a Stand to End Domestic Violence is not your average gala: the food is delicious - the attire is comfortable - the speeches are few. Come for the food, stay for the cause, and leave knowing you did your part to help end domestic violence this October! Featuring a selection of Washington, DC's best chefs and mixologists, this event from the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) will mark the beginning of Domestic Violence Awareness Month! **5:30 PM | UNION MARKET | TICKETS: [HTTP://BIT.LY/CTAS2018](http://bit.ly/ctas2018)**



01 DK PRESENTS: LOVE IN SONG

Can you feel the love tonight? Join District Karaoke all week long as they join us to Spread Love! DK is the only team based-karaoke league in the District and they're kicking off the month with a healthy relationships themed week of music. Check out league play and vote for your favorite teams. Visit www.districtkaraoke.com to learn more.

02 COUNCIL PROCLAMATION

Wear your purple and join the DC Council in kicking off Domestic Violence Awareness Month in DC. Councilmember Charles Allen and Councilmember Mary Cheh, both passionate advocates for victim and survivor services, will present the proclamation at 10 a.m. Be there by 9:45 am to ensure you're ready for your moment on camera with the Council!

**10 AM | JOHN A WILSON BUILDING |
1350 PENN AVE NW | ROOM 500**

03 AMARA'S FALL FRIENDRAISER

Join Amara Legal Center for their fall friendraiser event featuring Vivian Huelgo, Chief Counsel for ABA's Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence. Vivian will be speaking about the importance of providing expungements and record sealings for individuals who obtained criminal records while trafficked.

**5:30 PM | FOLEY HOAG | RSVP TO
[INFO@AMARALEGAL.ORG](mailto:info@amaralegal.org)**

05 SI TE COJO...CUERPO MUJER Y ROTURA PUBLIC UNVEILING

Join artist Marta Perez-Garcia for the unveiling of *Si te cojo...:Cuerpo, mujer y rotura*, a public art installation, developed with survivors that reflects on how gender-based violence impacts women and society. Listen to speeches from the artist and local domestic violence agencies, and join the community reflection at the Reeves Municipal Center.

5 PM | FRANK D. REEVES CENTER

09 PRO BONO TRAINING: REPRESENTING AT-RISK CHILDREN AS A GUARDIAN AD LITEM

The DC Volunteer Lawyers Project (DCVLP) provides the resources that attorneys need to be a voice in court for domestic violence victims and at risk children, including hands-on mentorship and malpractice insurance. Become a court-appointed guardian ad litem, and advocate for the best interests of children who are at serious risk of harm in a custody case, due to dangers such as allegations of child abuse & neglect, parental drug abuse or violence in the home. DC Bar membership not required.

**9:30 AM | KING & SPALDING | RSVP:
RSVP@DCVLP.ORG**

10 SPREAD LOVE TRIVIA NIGHT

Like helping the community? Like being a know-it-all? Then come to Solly's on October 10th for a Charity Trivia Night to support the DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence (DCCADV) and raise awareness about healthy relationships. Make sure to bring along your smartest friends because the winning team will not only help Spread Love this DVAM, but will also WIN a prize! **8 PM | SOLLY'S TAVERN |**

RVSP: [HTTP://BIT.LY/SLDCTrivia](http://bit.ly/SLDCTrivia)

10 ANCHOR FUND BENEFIT

Please join The Anchor Fund for their annual benefit. Founded in 2014, The Anchor Fund has distributed over 350 individual grants to survivors of domestic abuse and sexual violence. With your support, they can continue to help women recover and rebuild their lives.

**6:30 PM | CEB TOWER |
TICKETS: [HTTP://BIT.LY/AnchorFund18](http://bit.ly/AnchorFund18)**

10 WEBINAR: LEVERAGING #1THING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

We all know ending and healing from domestic violence requires the collective voice and power of individuals, families, institutions, and systems. We all have "1Thing" we can do to create change in our communities. Through this webinar, participants will learn ways to enhance their community engagement efforts and learn about the importance of including storytelling in their advocacy efforts by leveraging the #1Thing messaging.

3PM | RSVP: [HTTP://BIT.LY/DVAM1Thing](http://bit.ly/DVAM1Thing)

10 DV LEAP 15TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Tip the Scales of Justice for Domestic Violence survivors! DV LEAP Celebrates 15 Years of Impact. Join DV LEAP on October 10th to celebrate their clients, donors, pro bono partners, volunteers, and staff who make their advocacy possible. **6:30 PM |**

TICKETS: [HTTP://BIT.LY/DVLEAP18](http://bit.ly/DVLEAP18)

11 PRO BONO TRAINING LITIGATING FAMILY LAW CASES FOR DV VICTIMS

The DCVLP provides the resources that attorneys need to be a voice in court for domestic violence victims and at risk children, including hands-on mentorship and malpractice insurance. Help domestic violence victims and their children by obtaining a permanent custody or divorce order that will keep them safe from abuse. Volunteers gain experience in a full range of litigation skills, including trial advocacy, discovery, and negotiation. DC Bar membership not required. **9:30 AM | FELDESMAN**

**TUCKER LEIFER FIDELL LLP | RSVP:
RSVP@DCVLP.ORG**

11 KEEP DC SAFE

Keep DC SAFE is DC SAFE's is our annual gala held each year to increase awareness about the impact of domestic violence in our nation's capital, recognize and honor the contributions of our community partners, and raise funds for life-saving services. Enjoy live music, light refreshments, and good company while celebrating DC SAFE partners and volunteers!

**6 PM | ROOM & BOARD
TICKETS: [HTTP://BIT.LY/2MV1NHk](http://bit.ly/2MV1NHk)**

12 HOUSE OF RUTH OPEN HOUSE

This open house will provide an opportunity for our partner agencies and community members to learn more about the housing programs and services offered at the House of Ruth. There will be information provided on the admission process to the family and single housing programs, as well as an overview of the Domestic Violence Support Center and our therapeutic childcare center, Kidspace.

10:30 AM | MADISON LOCATION | RSVP: LRAMSEY@HOUSEOFRUTH.ORG

12 CLOTHESLINE PROJECT

Join My Sister's Place for an open-air art exhibition of t-shirts created by survivors and their children that tell the stories of how they overcame abuse with courage and hope. Come out for music, food, art and more! Bring your friends and help break the silence.

**4 PM | 1436 U ST NW |
RSVP: [HTTP://BIT.LY/Clothesline2018](http://bit.ly/Clothesline2018)**

12 WALK THIS WAY FUNDRAISER

Walk This Way is Becky's Fund's annual fall fundraising event, which raises funds for the Men of Code program. This program engages and educates both coaches and young male athletes about domestic violence, transforming them into leaders working to end dating and domestic violence against women and girls.

RSVP: [HTTP://BIT.LY/BeckysFund2018](http://bit.ly/BeckysFund2018)

16 PRO BONO TRAINING LITIGATING PROTECTION ORDER CASES FOR DV VICTIMS

The DCVLP provides the resources that attorneys need to be a voice in court for domestic violence victims, including hands-on mentorship and malpractice insurance. This upcoming training will prepare any interested attorneys to represent victims in obtaining "stay-away" orders against their abusers. Cases last just 8-12 days on average. DC Bar membership not required. **9:30 AM | GIBSON DUNN |
RSVP: RSVP@DCVLP.ORG**

16 TWITTER CHAT TUESDAY

Join NNEDV for a National bilingual (English & Spanish) Twitter Chat from 3:00-4:00PM EST discussing #Safety4Survivors. All part of the National Week of Action.

16 BALDERDASH

Dacha Beer Garden is hosting DASH for "Cause Tuesday" on Tuesday, October 16th from 4PM - 8PM. Enjoy a fall evening in the beer garden and purchase a \$10 wristband for an extended happy hour to support Domestic Violence Awareness Month! 100% of proceeds will benefit DASH's safe housing programs for survivors and their children in DC. Don't forget to wear purple in honor of #DVAM and bring friends for a fun evening in the beer garden for a good cause. Free to attend, \$20 suggested donation to receive a wrist band for extended happy hour. **6 PM | DACHA BEER GARDEN**

17 PURPLE NIGHT OUT

Throw on some purple, raise a glass to healthy relationships, and join DCCADV at this happy hour celebrating safety, respect, and accountability in the District! This event provides a chance to meet other advocates committed to a safe and healthy DC and to practice some self-care while benefitting our shared cause.

**5 PM | VINOTECA |
TICKETS: [HTTP://BIT.LY/PurpleHH2018](http://bit.ly/PurpleHH2018)**

18 PURPLE THURSDAY

Make a fashion statement that really says something: wear something purple on Thursday, October 18th to honor victims and support survivors of domestic violence! This year marks the 10th annual observance of Purple Thursday, the awareness day launched by the DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence that's now gone national. **RSVP: [HTTP://BIT.LY/PTDC2018](http://bit.ly/PTDC2018)**

18 AYUDA PURPLE THURSDAY HAPPY HOUR LIBATIONS

Ayuda is proud to debut our new friendship with Capitol Cider House and Republic! We're excited to share our commitment to spreading awareness about Domestic Violence by hosting charity events on Purple Thursday. A portion of the proceeds from evening sales will go to Ayuda's Domestic Violence and Family Law program and Social Services Program, which provides low-income immigrant victims of crime and domestic violence with legal and social services. Join us for libations at either location.

**5 PM | CAPITOL CIDER HOUSE &
REPUBLIC | [HTTP://BIT.LY/Ayuda2018](http://bit.ly/Ayuda2018)**

19 AYUDA AND GRASSROOTS COMEDY DC SHOW

Kramer books and Grassroots Comedy DC are excited to host a comedy night as a fundraiser for Ayuda's Domestic Violence/Family and Social Services program and to show their support to DVAM! **6:30 PM | KRAMER BOOKS & AFTERWORDS CAFÉ | [HTTP://BIT.LY/Ayuda2018](http://bit.ly/Ayuda2018)**

24 TWITTER CHAT: WHAT IS YOUR #1THING?

NRCDV will engage national, state, and community-based partners from across the movement to end gender-based violence to provide an open forum for sharing personal and organizational #1Thing messages that advance action for social change. Follow on Twitter at @NRCDV and participate using #1Thing **3PM | [RSVP: HTTP://BIT.LY/DVAM1Thing](http://bit.ly/DVAM1Thing)**

24 AYUDA HAPPY HOUR AT VINOTECA

Vinoteca and Ayuda are proud to announce their new friendship and commitment to spreading awareness about Domestic Violence by hosting a charity event at their location. Visitors who make a donation to Ayuda will receive an additional two hours of Happy Hour prices on food and beverages. **5PM | VINOTECA | [HTTP://BIT.LY/Ayuda2018](http://bit.ly/Ayuda2018)**

25 DCVLP HAPPY HOUR

Please join staff and current and prospective volunteers for a community happy hour in honor of National Pro Bono Week and DVAM. Learn more about future volunteer opportunities with DCVLP and mingle with current members of our community. **5 PM | [MISSON DUPONT | HTTP://BIT.LY/DCVLPEvents](http://bit.ly/DCVLPEvents)**

25 SHARE YOUR STORY

Join the Network for Victim Recovery of DC (NVRDC) for a free annual event in which survivors of all types of crime are invited to use artistic expression to share their stories and celebrate strength and resiliency in their recovery. Here, words do not have to be the primary medium; color, texture, and visual expression will capture what words cannot. **6PM | [NVRDC OFFICE | LEARN MORE: HTTP://BIT.LY/NVRDC2018](http://bit.ly/NVRDC2018)**

25 EAT, DRINK & BE GIVING

Join the Asian Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project (DVRP) Board and Staff for our annual fundraiser to end Gender-Based Violence. Tickets are \$50 (\$45 Early Bird), and all proceeds will go towards DVRP's programming for underserved A/PI populations in the DMV. **6:30 PM | [IA&A @ HILLYER | TICKETS: HTTP://BIT.LY/DVRPDVAM](http://bit.ly/DVRPDVAM)**

26 LATINX MARCH & VIGIL

Latino Agencies United to Stop Violence Against Women hold their the annual Vigil and March in the Greater Washington DC Metro area for the Latinx community. Come support and help us make noise to educate and create awareness about domestic violence in our Latinx immigrant community. **5:30 PM | [LAMONT PARK](http://bit.ly/LAMONT PARK)**

30 BE A VOICE FOR SURVIVORS: OP-ED WRITING WORKSHOP

Be a voice for survivors in your community by learning how to write an op-ed. Join DCCADV and Ujima Inc to learn the tools of the trade for writing a persuasive op-ed or letter to the editor. Your authentic voice is important and you can make survivors' needs part of the conversation. **6PM | [RSVP: HTTP://BIT.LY/DVAMoped](http://bit.ly/DVAMoped)**

31 SURVIVING DC: A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT CARD

Join DCCADV for the release of a report on how District Agencies respond to domestic violence when the public reaches out to local government offices for assistance, as well as when District agency staff are experiencing domestic violence.

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