

Women's Center & #VoicesHavePower host events for Domestic Violence Awareness Month



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Women's Center is participating in the #VoicesHavePower campaign, with community events and media campaigns throughout the month.

Wednesday, October 8

7:00pm

Tree Lighting at New Bedford City Hall

A tree lighting program will take place in front of New Bedford City Hall at 7pm. Mayor Jon Mitchell will read a proclamation designating October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month before lighting a tree with purple lights to support victims of domestic violence and their families.

Thursday, October 23

5:00pm-8:00pm

Men Who Care
White Ribbon Pledge Event
at
Slainte Irish Pub
34 Union Street, New Bedford

Door Prize • Raffles • Cash Bar • Entertainment by Sean Carney

Free event to celebrate the men and women who take a stand
against
domestic violence. Men will have the opportunity to sign the
White
Ribbon Pledge.

Tuesday, October 28

6:00pm

Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil

The public is invited to gather on the steps of New Bedford
City Hall
at 6:00pm and march in silence to the Unitarian Church (corner
of 8th
and Union Street), where a program to remember victims of
domestic
violence homicide will be held, including the Clothesline
Project.

2 out of 3 women in the United States will never be assaulted
or abused by a partner.

Send hope to the 1 out of 3 who will.

**"I stayed because, if I left, I would have nothing. When I
finally left, I had nothing... but hope. And I started from
scratch and built myself back up. I am stronger...
Independent... Happy... and the best part... I'm alive!"**

Send hope to families affected by domestic violence by sharing
a message that #VoicesHavePower.

Verizon Wireless will donate \$3 toward supporting proven and
innovative dating and domestic violence prevention programs

produced by our national and local campaign partners.

It's simple:

- On your favorite social, share a message of hope on your favorite social network with the hashtag #VoicesHavePower
- On your phone, text a message of hope to #94079
- On [voiceshavepower.com](http://www.voiceshavepower.com), write or select a previously generated message of hope

Go to <http://www.voiceshavepower.com> for more information.
