

Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness Month Committee seeks community help with “Turkeys and Toys Drive”

Wear and Display a Purple Peace Ribbon “Remembrance”

On September 28, 2000, Argeo Paul Cellucci, then Governor of the Commonwealth Massachusetts signed into law “An Act Providing for the Annual Observance of Survivors of Victims of Homicide Awareness.”...November 20th to December 20th, inclusive, as a time for Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness and recommending that the time period be observed in an appropriate manner by the people.”...This is a community in need of specific and targeted intervention that goes far beyond the burial, and the trail...is a fitting time for this awareness because during the holiday season survivors often experience overwhelming feelings of grief, loss and despair.

This is an important time to show our support to family members, friends, teachers and neighbors who are grieving. It’s also an opportunity for the community, elected officials, religious leaders, mental health professionals to learn how to better address the needs of families who have been severely impacted by violence and to support the efforts of violence prevention and the peacemaking movement in our Commonwealth. This time period is close enough to the holidays to make a difference in the lives of survivors, but not too close to the holidays to be disruptive.

Please Join Survivors of Homicide Victims Awareness Month Committee 2016 and others in making Thanksgiving Happier and Christmas Merrier. We are seeking your Donations for a, “Turkeys and Toys Drive” with Turkeys delivered November 22-23

and Toys delivered December 21-22. You can either donate by check and/or you may purchase the Turkeys and/or Toys, you can also donate to/share with a needy family and/or support your local food pantry or shelter. All checks Payable To: Community Foundation of SEM 30 Cornell Street New Bedford, Ma. 02740 (OBV Survivors Turkey and Toy Drive)

Thanks, everyone in advance, have a Happy, Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry, Merry Christmas. Please donate today!!!!
"Turkeys and Toys Drive"

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