



WELCOME TO OUR

Fall Newsletter

we're so glad you're here!

October- Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The Women's Center, Inc., a leading local nonprofit dedicated to serving survivors of domestic violence, is proud to announce its partnership with the national #EveryIKnowsSome1 campaign in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This collaborative effort aims to shed light on the pervasive issue of domestic violence and empower people to come together as communities to address this epidemic.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month, held annually in October, allows communities nationwide to join forces to raise awareness about the far-reaching impact of domestic violence. The #EveryIKnowsSome1 campaign focuses on the theme that everyone knows someone affected by domestic violence, whether they realize it or not.

One in three women, one in four men, and nearly half of LGBTQ+ people will experience domestic violence in their lifetime. High rates of domestic violence are not private, individual problems; they require community solutions. By acknowledging this reality, we can collectively work towards ending domestic violence and creating safe, healthy communities for everyone. Through a series of events and activities throughout the month, The Women's Center, Inc. seeks to engage community members in an open dialogue about domestic violence, its underlying causes, and how to support survivors. We encourage everyone in the community to get involved and support the campaign during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Some key highlights of the campaign include:

- **Survivor Celebration:** We invite you to join us on Wednesday October 9th at 5pm to support survivors of domestic violence and raise awareness in our community! Speakers include Columbia County Commissioner, District Attorney's Office, and survivors. Location: Columbia County Courthouse, Front Plaza.
- **Purple Thursday:** On Thursday, October 17, wear purple to show your support of domestic violence survivors and your commitment to ending abuse! Take a selfie in your purple and share it on social media with #PurpleThursday #DVAM #EveryIKnowsSome1. Tag our Facebook page or email photos to womenctrl@verizon.net.
- **Warm Safe Home Project:** October 24th, 10am at the Bloomsburg Senior Center. We are calling all community members 60+ to help us raise awareness of domestic violence and participate in a crafting event!
- **GiveForDV:** Visit <https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/donation-information> to make a gift on the official GiveForDV Day of Giving on Thursday, October 24. Every gift makes a difference for survivors as they rebuild their lives free from abuse.
- **Social Media Campaign:** Engage with us on social media using the hashtag #EveryIKnowsSome1 as we share stories, resources, and messages of hope, spreading the word and creating a united front against domestic violence.

Through these events and activities, The Women's Center, Inc. aims to unite our community, encourage open conversations, and create a supportive environment where survivors can find hope and healing.

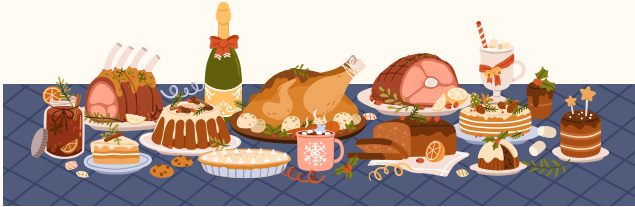
For more information on the #EveryIKnowsSome1 campaign and our Domestic Violence Awareness Month initiatives, please visit our website.

Holiday Toy Drive

The holiday season is just around the corner and The Women's Center, Inc. is in need of new toys for children who receive services at our agency. Every year we put together a toy drive to collect brand new toys. Local businesses/organizations can offer space to host a toy box for collecting on our behalf. The donations we receive from the community make the holidays bright for many children. If you would like to find out how you can participate or donate, please call (570)-784-6631 for additional information.



Holiday Meal Help



We are looking for meal help for Thanksgiving and Christmas! Items we are in need of include ham, turkey, potatoes, stuffing, corn, etc. If you would like to find out more information or to donate, please call (570)-784-6631.



We Are Hiring!

- Legal Advocate

Visit our website to learn more about our open positions.

Visit [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com) to apply today!

Upcoming Events

- October- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- October 9th, 5pm: TWC hosts a Survivor Celebration at the Columbia County Courthouse, Front Plaza
- October 17th- Purple Thursday
- October 17th, 10am-12pm: CJ's Fine Framing & Gift Shop Shopping Days
- October 18th, 4-6pm: CJ's Fine Framing & Gift Shop Shopping Days
- October 24th- GiveForDV online fundraiser
- October 24th, 10am: The Warm Safe Home Project at The Bloomsburg Senior Center
- November 16th, 6-9pm: TWC's 50th Anniversary Celebration at The Barn at Frosty Valley
- December 11th, 5:30-7:30pm- Annual Holiday Meal & Gift Pickup for Participants at The Caldwell Consistory

Victims Need Survey



The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency would appreciate your willingness to participate in a brief survey that will play a vital role in its ongoing efforts to enhance resources within your community. Thank you so much for your valuable contribution.

You may take the survey by clicking the button at the bottom of the page.

Or you may take it by using the following QR code by opening your mobile phone or tablet camera app, selecting the rear facing camera, centering the code on the screen, and tapping the notification that appears on the screen to open the link.

If you have any questions, please contact the PCCD Office of Victim Services at RA-CDCDOVSINITIATIVE@pa.gov

Donor Spotlight

The Women's Center, Inc. would like to thank the following donors for their incredible support of our mission and programs. We could not serve the community without your generosity!

- Heather Feldhaus
- Tina Entzminger
- Lisa Stallbaumer
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If you love our mission and would like to become a donor, visit our website at <https://www.thewomenscenterinc.org/support-us>

Donations Needed:

- Laundry Detergent
- Trash Bags
- Cleaning Supplies
- Hygiene Supplies
- Toilet Paper & Paper Towels



Women's Center Contact Info:

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The Women's Center is the only state recognized domestic violence and rape crisis center in Columbia and Montour Counties.