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Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County Launches Campaign where Men Advocate Against Violence

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., May 23, 2019 - Domestic Violence Solutions (DVS) for Santa Barbara County is pleased to announce its newest fundraising project – “The Upstanding Man”.

DVS defines an “upstanding man” as one who takes a stand against domestic violence...he does not stand by; he is part of the solution.

With Father’s Day right around the corner, it is the perfect time to honor or remember a special man...this man can be a father, brother, boyfriend, husband, friend, or mentor. Any man who wishes to join the campaign can also self-nominate. The first 200 names will be printed in local publications in the Father’s Day issue. Save a spot with a minimum donation of \$100. The deadline for printed names is Thursday, June 6.

“During the month of June, we want to honor those men and boys who have taken a stand against all violence and demeaning behavior,” said Jan Campbell, executive director of Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County. “Our upstanding men have joined with us to say, ‘Count me in – I am positive, supportive and accountable and I will never be a bystander!’ and, continued Campbell ‘that’s my kind of man!’”

The agency’s main goal is to have this campaign motivate and inspire other men to take a stand and be a part of the solution. Each generous contribution will support the youth program, “Coaching Boys into Men,” and help rebuild the lives of courageous domestic violence survivors.

For more information, please visit dvsolutions.org/UpstandingMan, call 805.963.4458 x3 or email Jenni-Elise Ramirez, Development Officer, at jennieliser@dvsolutions.org.

Domestic Violence Solutions is dedicated to ending the cycle of domestic violence by providing prevention and intervention services, emotional support and advocacy to those in crisis, and playing a leadership role in effecting social change. For more information, to make a donation or to learn about upcoming events, please contact Julia Black at juliab@dvsolutions.org or visit www.dvsolutions.org.



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